

# PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

## The Ascension of the Lord

17th May 2026

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### Masses

<b>Sat 16th May</b>	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Drumkeeran</b>	Confirmation Service for St Brigid's NS and Drumlease NS.
	8:00pm	<b>St Brigid's Killargue.</b>	
<b>Sun 17th May</b>	10:00am	<b>Drumkeeran.</b>	<b>The Ascension of the Lord.</b> Michael & Bridget Lavin. Marie McTernan, Drumrewey. Michael McPartlan, Greaghnalough.
	11:30am	<b>St Patrick's Dromahair.</b>	
<b>Mon 18th May</b>	6:00pm	<b>Drumkeeran.</b>	Exposition.
<b>Tues 19th May</b>	11:00am	<b>Áras Bhríde.</b>	
	7:00pm	<b>St Brigid's Killargue</b>	- Exposition followed by Mass at 8:00pm.
<b>Wed 20th May</b>	9:30am	<b>St Patrick's Dromahair.</b>	
<b>Thurs 21st May</b>	10:00am	<b>Drumkeeran.</b>	
	8:00pm	<b>Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor</b>	- Exposition followed by Mass at 8:00pm.
<b>Fri 22nd May</b>	7:00pm	<b>St Patrick's Dromahair.</b>	
<b>Sat 23rd May</b>	7:00pm	<b>Creevelea.</b>	
	8:00pm	<b>Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor.</b>	
<b>Sun 24th May</b>	10:00am	<b>Drumkeeran.</b>	<b>First Holy Communion - Drumkeeran NS.</b>
	11:30am	<b>St Patrick's Dromahair.</b>	

**Pray for:** We continue to remember in our prayers all those who have died, including the recently deceased; **Tommy Cullen**, late of Liskellew; who died in London last week. May he rest in peace.

Notices can be sent in to [newsletter@inishmagrath.com](mailto:newsletter@inishmagrath.com) for inclusion, subject to review and adjustments as space allows.

All notices should be received by 10:30am on Friday morning to be included in that week's newsletter, thank you.

### Entrance Hymn for May.

As I kneel before you

As I kneel before you, as I bow my head in prayer  
Take this day, make it yours and fill me with your love

Refrain: Ave Maria, gratia plena  
Dominus tecum benedicta tu

All I have I give you, every dream and wish are yours  
Mother of Christ, mother of mine, present them to my Lord

Refrain: Ave Maria, gratia plena  
Dominus tecum benedicta tu

**Congratulations:** To all the children from St Brigid's NS, Drumkeeran and Drumlease NS, Dromahair who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday in Drumkeeran Church with Bishop Martin Hayes and thank you to Fr Paul and their parents, teachers and families who helped them to prepare.

**Lough Allen College:** The Class of 2026 Graduation service will be held in Drumkeeran Church at 2:00pm on Wed 20 May. All are welcome to attend as we wish the sixth years every success on their future path and good luck with the Leaving Certificate Examinations.

**Relics of St. Oliver Plunkett:** Will visit the Conaty Chapel of the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Cavan on Wed 3 June. The relics will arrive at the Centre for a Liturgical Welcome celebrated by Bishop Martin Hayes at 10:00am and will be available for veneration until 10:00pm that evening. Masses will be offered at 1:15pm (for those doing examinations at this time), 5:45pm, and 8:00pm (celebrated by Bishop Martin Hayes). There will also be opportunities to avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the course of the day from 12 noon to 1:00pm; 4:30pm to 5:30pm; and 6:30pm to 7:30pm. The visit of the relics is being organised by the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre with the assistance of the local Knights of Saint Columbanus. Petitions and offerings may be sent to the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, The Conaty Centre, Cullies, Cavan H12 E5C7. All petitions received will be placed beside the relic during its visit. Please write "St. Oliver" on the top left hand corner of the envelope, thank you.

**Ministers for June:** Can all organisers of Ministers for June please make contact with the parish office, so the newsletter can be printed accurately, next Friday please?

**Rosary Rally:** To be held at Knock Shrine on Sat 6 June. To book a seat on the bus please phone Monica Tuite on 086 828 1727.

**The Way:** [www.TheWay.ie](http://www.TheWay.ie) is a new digital platform set up by the Irish Bishops Conference dedicated to sharing the 'Good News' and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It is intended to help people discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. It is for both seekers and followers.

**Pray for Life Novena:** The Pray for Life Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Sat 23 May to Sun 31 May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit [www.prayforlife.ie](http://www.prayforlife.ie) for the daily novena prayers and to sign up for daily reminders. The prayers will also be posted on [facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena](https://facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena) and @prayforlifenovena on Instagram. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

#### **Parish Dates for your diary 2026:**

**Confirmation,** Sat 16 May at 11:00am in Drumkeeran Church for Drumkeeran and Dromahair.

**First Communion,** Sun 24 May at 10:00am in Drumkeeran Church for Drumkeeran NS.

#### **Blessing of the Graves**

**Aughaloughy Cemetery** - after 10:00am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 19 July.

**Kilbride Cemetery** - after 10:00am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 26 July.

**Drumkeeran Cemetery** - after 10:00am in Drumkeeran Church Mass on Sun 2 Aug.

**Curragh's Cemetery** - after 10:00am Mass in Tarmon Church on Sun 9 Aug.

**Dromahair webcam and newsletter are available at: [www.churchtv.ie/dromahair.html](http://www.churchtv.ie/dromahair.html)**

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**Organic Centre News:** Celebrate nature and biodiversity at the Organic Centre Rossinver, Leitrim, on National Biodiversity Week from Fri 15 May to Sun 24 May. Book ahead [www.theorganiccentre.ie](http://www.theorganiccentre.ie).

**Tarmon National School:** Will be hosting a coffee morning on Fri 22 May from 10:00am until 12:00pm; in aid of North West Hospice, Sligo which is a wonderful cause close to many families in the area. All welcome.

**Drumkeeran NS:** In June we will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary and we would like you to join us, more details to follow. We are also asking previous students, parents or staff if they have any photographs from classes gone by that they would be willing to share? Please either send the original into school clearly marked with the owners name and return details or send an electronic/scanned copy to [drumkeerinns@gmail.com](mailto:drumkeerinns@gmail.com). Thank you.

**Packie McPartlan Memorial Run:** The annual Packie McPartlan 8 km Run & Walk will take place on Sat 30 May. Registration from 4:15pm in Drumkeerin Community Centre. Race start 5:30pm. Proceeds from the event will support Lough Allen College renovation works. All welcome.

**John McKenna Society:** The May traditional session is on in Davitt's on Fri 22 May at 9:00pm. Guest artist on the night is Mossie Martin. All singers & musicians welcome.

**Gaeilge - Cúpla Focail (Irish) Night:** In Moran's Lounge, Ballintogher on Tues 19 May at 8:30pm. Fáilte roimh gach einne.