

# PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

## Third Sunday in Lent

3rd March 2024

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

Neighbouring Priests: Fr T Mannion 964 3014 - Fr P Casey 916 4143 -

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### Masses

Sat 2nd Mar	7:00pm	Creevelea	
Sun 3rd Mar	11:15am	Drumkeeran	
Mon 4th Mar	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Mass.
Tues 5th Mar	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	No Mass.
Wed 6th Mar	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 7th Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 8th Mar	7:00pm	Tarmon	No Mass.
Sat 9th Mar	7:00pm	Creevelea	Annie & John McTiernan & Grandsons Aiden & John
Sun 10th Mar	11:15am	Drumkeeran	

**Confession:** Available after weekday Mass or on request.

**Pray For:** Teresa (Tess) McCabe ne McHugh of Virginia and formerly of Drumkeeran who has died in her 95th year. May the Lord grant her final rest in His loving arms.

**Care of Creation:** Bishop Martin has asked parishes to set aside 30% of parish land for Biodiversity. This means growing a diverse species of plants to encourage a diversity of species of animals to inhabit that area. This will be to our benefit; at the moment the native Irish bee is struggling to exist, so if you have an interest in gardening or landscaping or horticulture please give you name to Fr. Tom.

**Exploring the Mass:** A Lenten series with Bishop Martin and Kilmore Faith Development Team; the sessions continue on Wed 6 Mar and conclude on Wed 13 Mar. Each session will start at 7:30 pm. and last an hour and a half. Everyone is most welcome! To register, please send your name and email address to [pastoralcentre@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:pastoralcentre@kilmorediocese.ie).

**Novena of Hope at The Graan:** The program runs from Sat 2 Mar to Mon 11 Mar please contact The Graan directly on 028 66 322272 for more information or see the posters on the noticeboards.

**Calling all 18-30 year olds:** Do you want to explore your faith with other like-minded young people in a beautiful and reflective location? Join us for a Retreat for Young Adults at Lough Derg, Pettigo County Donegal on Sat 27 April from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Refreshments and Lunch provided. This Retreat is organised by The Knights of St Columbanus Omagh and is free of charge. To register please visit [www.tiny.cc/loughderg](http://www.tiny.cc/loughderg) Or email [info@knightsfstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk](mailto:info@knightsfstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk).

**Lough Allen College:** There will be a church gate collection held in aid of Lough Allen College's pilgrimage to Lourdes this weekend. Please give generously.

Creevelea Church - Sat 2 March at 7:00pm.

Drumkeeran Church - Sun 3 March at 11:15am.

**St Pat's College:** Tues 12 Mar will mark the 150th Anniversary of the opening of the iconic building which served as the original Saint Patrick's College in Cavan and is now the base for the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre. Bishop Martin will be the principal celebrant of a special Mass in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick & Saint Felim, Cavan, to commemorate this milestone anniversary on Sat 16 Mar at 11:00am. The Mass will be broadcast live and may be accessed at [www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral](http://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral). Following Mass, there will be commemorative events in the original College building including a short talk by Monsignor Liam Kelly, followed by refreshments in the new College Canteen. Past students of the College are especially welcome to attend.

**Irish Catholic Bishops:** Comments on the upcoming referendum;

- "The proposed Family amendment to the Constitution diminishes the unique importance of the relationship between marriage and family in the eyes of Society and State and it likely to lead to a weakening of the incentive for young people to marry.
- The Care amendment would have the effect of abolishing all reference to motherhood in the Constitution and leave unacknowledged the particular and incalculable societal contribution that mothers in the home have made and continue to make in Ireland... The role of mothers should continue to be cherished in our Constitution."

**Thought for the Day**

**John 2:13-25**

The Lord Jesus comes into your life expecting to find a place ordered to the worship of the one true God, but what He finds is 'a marketplace'. What does this mean? It means that Christ finds a place where things other than God have primary. To bring such idolatry closer to our cultural experience, how much of your life is given over to materialism, commercialism or the accumulation of things? What rivals to the one true God have you allowed to invade the sacred space of your soul?

*Bishop Robert Baron, Lenten Reflection.*

**Open Evening Tarmon NS:** On Tues 12 Mar from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Take a tour of our newly refurbished school and meet our wonderful staff. Enrolment forms are available for request by email [stpatsnstarmon@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsnstarmon@gmail.com) or contact the school on 0719648306. We look forward to welcoming you to St. Patricks N.S. Tarmon. N41V344.

**Community Information Evening:** An Garda Síochána are holding a Community Information Evening on Wed 20 Mar at 8:00pm in Drumkeeran Community Centre. Sgt. Cara Kiernan will be giving Crime Prevention advice and Leitrim Community Policing will be giving a demonstration with the property marking machine and a talk on Leitrim Alerts. All welcome to attend.

**Rural Social Scheme Vacancies:** The Rural Social Scheme (RSS), which provides supplementary income support for farmers in receipt of social welfare payments in return for part time employment in their community, is open for applications. The employment programme has work placements to suit different interests and skills in the Drumkeeran, Newbridge and Ballinaglera areas. Phone 086-8521791 or email [brianmcgloin@ldco.ie](mailto:brianmcgloin@ldco.ie) for further details.

**North Leitrim Women's Centre:** In celebration of International Women's Day 2024, NLWC presents "Threads of Time" a celebration of untold stories of rural Irish women with artist Carrie Creamer. Thurs 7 Mar at 7:30pm in the Glens Centre, Manorhamilton; free admission.