

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th October 2025

Parish Office, Drumkeeran - 964 8025 ~ Parish Administrator - Fr P Casey 916 4143

Neighbouring Priest: Fr T Mannion 964 3014

Masses

Sat 25th Oct	7:00pm	Creevelea.	The Harrison & McPartlan Families.
	8:00pm	Mary, Mother of God Church, Newtownmanor.	
Sun 26th Oct	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	Rena Fallon (MM). Jack Gallagher, Derrycullinan. Peter & Kathleen Loughlin, Sheena. Charles Ford & Deceased of the Ford & Cullen Families, Lisakellw. Margaret McPartland, Liskellw.
	11:30am	St Patrick's Church, Dromahair.	
Mon 27th Oct	6:00pm	Drumkeeran.	Exposition.
Tues 28th Oct	11:00am	Áras Bhríde.	
	7:00pm	St Brigid's Church, Killargue - Exposition with Mass at 8:00pm.	
Wed 29th Oct	9:30am	St Patrick's Church, Dromahair.	
Thur 30th Oct	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	
	7:00pm	Mary, Mother of God Church, Newtownmanor - Exposition with Mass at 8:00pm.	
Fri 31st Oct	7:00pm		5th Friday - No Mass.
Sat 1st Nov	7:00pm	Tarmon.	Packie & Helen Leydon & Deceased Family.
	8:00pm	St Brigid's Church, Killargue.	
Sun 2nd Nov	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	Tony Forde & Deceased Family. Donald & Sean Fidgeon. Mary Ellen & John Byrne & Deceased Family. Mary & Jack McMahon. Sean, Noel, Pat & Mary Ellen McWeeney & all the Deceased of the McWeeney Family.
	11:30am	St Patrick's Church, Dromahair.	

Marriage Enrichment Weekend: Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland are holding a marriage enrichment weekend from the 7th to the 9th Nov at the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. To book please visit; www.marriageencounter.ie.

Jubilee Of Hope, Memorial & Healing Service: Remembering our departed loved ones, with Hymns and prayers in St Michael's Church on Sun 2 Nov at 4:00pm led by Fr John Cooney P.P. This annual service has proven to be a lovely, reflective and peaceful space for all. Please join us with the Choir of St Michael's and St Patrick's Church Maudabawn with Fr Darragh Connolly and other guest soloists. Everyone welcome.

Missio: On behalf of Pope Leo, thank you for supporting Mission Sunday; your kindness means that overseas missionaries can continue to share the love of God with some of the world's most marginalised and vulnerable people. If you would like to make a further donation, please visit www.missio.ie or call Missio Ireland on (01) 497 2035.

Leitrim County Council: A Mass for the deceased members and staff of Leitrim County Council will be held in St Mary's Church, Carrick on Shannon on Mon 3 Nov at 8:00pm. All welcome.

Points to Ponder:

Luke 18:9-14

From the outside the Pharisee and tax collector seem very different. They are not, however, as different as we might think, for on the inside they are both dead; lost, broken, and in need of God. The difference is not their place in society. The real difference is that the tax collector knows he is dead and the Pharisee does not. The difference is that the Pharisee keeps score and the tax collector cries out, 'God be merciful to me, a sinner! One who is missing you. One who is in need of you. One who is and has nothing apart from you.'

To know we are dead is the beginning of resurrection. Scorekeeping blinds us to our own death. This parable is the invitation to stop keeping score, to acknowledge and hold before God the dead places of our life: the failures and disappointments; the break ups and break downs; the emptiness, sufferings, addictions; the places of our life where we no longer dream dreams, have visions, or prophesy. That is what the tax collector did.

The tax collector went home justified, not because he was good or better than the Pharisee, he wasn't, but because he offered God a dead life not a scorecard. God did not withhold anything from the Pharisee. God simply gave him what he asked for, nothing. For the tax collector God's mercy has opened the door to a new life, a new world, a new self-understanding, a new relationship with God.

The beginning of a new story, a new life, is a choice God sets before each one of us.

Michael K. Marsh - www.interruptingthesilence.com

Drumkeeran NS: Are having a Cash 4 Clobber collection on Thurs 6 Nov, plenty of time to clear out all those clean, dry old clothes, handbags, matched pairs of shoes, etc. Please drop bags off at the school that morning or the day before.

50th Anniversary: To mark the 50th anniversary since Drumkeerin won the Junior league and championship double in 1975 we are having a special evening on Mon 27 Oct with Mass in St Brigid's Church at 3:00pm, followed by; in the GAA club rooms a presentation function to players and management with finger food, photographs, match reports, interviews and reviews from 1975. This is an open invitation for the community to attend but in order to have an accurate amount of food we are kindly asking people to book your place with Damian on 087-2108957 or Gabriel on 086 172 2345 asap as spaces are limited, let's make it an evening to remember.

Drumkeerin Family Festival AGM: The Annual General Meeting of the Drumkeerin Family Festival will take place Tues 28 Oct at 8:00pm in Drumkeerin Community Centre. This is a critical meeting for the future of the festival. Several committee positions need to be filled, and without new volunteers the festival simply cannot go ahead. We're calling on members of the community, new and old, to get involved. Whether you can offer time, ideas, or support, your contribution is essential to keeping the festival alive.

The Organic Centre: Samhain at the Organic Centre, Rossinver, Leitrim. On Bank Holiday Monday, Oct 27th from 12:00noon to 4:00pm. Join us for a Halloween Trail, Entertainment, Folklore, Arts/Crafts, Samhain seasonal food. Free entry all welcome.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service: Blood stocks are low, so please consider becoming a Blood Donor, please visit www.giveblood.ie if you are between 18 and 65 years old.

North Leitrim Women's Centre: Create a stunning winter planter; using a beautiful selection of seasonal winter bedding and spring bulbs which will flower through the coldest months and into early spring. On Mon 10 Nov from 11:00am until 1:00pm. The cost is €25 and includes container, plants and bulbs. To book a place contact the Centre on 071 9856220.