

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th November 2023

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

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Masses

Sat 11th Nov	7:00pm	Tarmon	Mary & Jim Hazlette & Deceased Family.
Sun 12th Nov	10:00am	Creevelea	Jim Gallagher, Shividillagh. Tommy Feehily, Tullinwillian.
	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Sean McWeeney (1st Anniversary).
Mon 13th Nov	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration until 6:50pm.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Johnny, Annie & Sean Cullen & Deceased of the Higgins Family.
Tue 14th Nov	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
Wed 15th Nov	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 16th Nov	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 17th Nov	12:30pm	Drumkeeran	Wedding.
	7:00pm	Tarmon	NO MASS.
Sat 18th Nov	7:00pm	Tarmon	
Sun 19th Nov	10:00am	Creevelea	Liam Bouchier (2nd Anniversary) & Deceased of the Bouchier Family. John & Annie Conlon.
	11:15am	Drumkeeran	

Confession: Available after weekday Mass or on request.

Pray For: Mickey Cassidy, USA who died recently, Mickey was the brother of the late Tommy Cassidy, Drumkeeran. May he rest in peace.

Choir Practice : In Drumkeeran Church on Mon 13 Nov at 8:30pm, new members always welcome.

Mission Sunday: Thanks to all who contributed we raised €945.

Open Meeting for All Parishioners: Our Parish meeting took place on Thursday, we had a good attendance but it could have been from a greater demographic. Thank you to everyone who attended and to everyone who filled in a form and returned it. Your responses will now be combined and sent through to the Diocese. Fr Tom will read out the consensus of responses at Mass over the coming weeks.

Theology Online Open Evening, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com to find out more about our online open evening on Wed 29 Nov.

Totus Tuus Scripture Conference 2023: Will be live on Radio Maria, Ireland on Sat 18 Nov from 2:00pm. Speakers include Fr. John Ryan (Cloyne Diocese), Fr. Luke Demasi (Home Of The Mother), Fr. John McEneaney (Waterford & Lismore Diocese), Frances Hogan (Scripture Scholar). Radio Maria Ireland can be listened to by downloading the Radio Maria Ireland APP, Saorview Channel 210 or listen live at (01)4373277.

Points to Ponder:

In the Palestine of the New Testament times, it was customary for a wedding banquet to take place at night. Jesus presses this scenario into service as a parable for His Kingdom. The Ten Virgins, or Bridesmaids, represent all Christians as they wait for Christ to return at the end of time in glory. But according to the parable, when He comes, He finds that half of them are unprepared. They're not evil; just rather lazy, shallow, thoughtless. They had been hoping to free wheel into the feast, maybe relying on the good works of others to get them there. But according to the conclusion to our Gospel today, instead they hear the spine-chilling sentence; "Amen I say to you: I do not know you".

Jesus is speaking in Jerusalem, according to St Matthew's Gospel, in the last days before His Passion and death. He is looking ahead to the time of the Church, and urging His disciples, in no uncertain terms, to spiritual vigilance. Entrance to heaven, He teaches, is not simply assured for all. We cannot expect to drift gently and without effort into eternal salvation. Until the end of time, we must realise the necessity and urgency of preaching and living the Gospel; striving for true holiness of life; remaining always morally and spiritually awake. Nowadays that's not a message that's easy for people to hear.

In the centre of today's parable there is a thrilling cry. "Behold the Bridegroom! Go out to meet Him. He is coming from Heaven to Earth; from His Father's glory, to you and me, here and now, in order to give Himself to us, in love, and without reserve.

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North West STOP: Are holding their Annual General Meeting on Fri 17 Nov at the Mayflower, Drumshanbo at 7:00pm. Guest speakers and light refreshments on the evening. All are welcome.

M-PACT: You don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction! M-PACT supports the whole family, helping to improve relationships, understanding and communication. A free, eight-week programme will begin on Tues 5 Dec. If interested or you would like further information; please contact 071 9150578/085 875 9319 or email:

sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com.

Leitrim PPN: Public Participation Network invites all member community and voluntary, social inclusion and environmental groups to a gathering on Mon 13 Nov at 7:00pm in the Bee Park Community Centre, Manorhamilton. Hear about the work of the PPN, information on funding for groups, the new climate action plan, opportunity for all local groups to network and share ideas, food will be served and there will a raffle.

Let us know you are coming by e mailing info@leitrimppn.ie.