

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th August 2024

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

Sat 17th Aug	7:00pm	Tarmon	Eddie Williams. Rita & Tommy Gilhooly, Gertie Fallon & Deceased of the Fallon & Gilhooly Families, Drumnasoonan.
Sun 18th Aug	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Margaret (Essie) McLoughlin, Sheena (1st Anniversary).
Mon 19th Aug	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Mass.
Tue 20th Aug	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
Wed 21st Aug	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 22nd Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 23rd Aug	7:00pm	Tarmon	
Sat 24th Aug	7:00pm	Tarmon	For All Parishioners.
Sun 25th Aug	11:15am	Drumkeeran	For All Parishioners.

Pray For: Lil McMorrow née Lenehan, Sheena, whose funeral took place on Tues 13 Aug in St Brigid's Church, Drumkeeran. May her gentle soul rest in peace with the Lord.

Drumkeeran Church Choir: Practice will be on Mon 19 Aug at 8:30pm; new members are always welcome.

Season of Creation: The Season of Creation 2024 which begins on September 1st and concludes on October 4th 2024 - the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the Patron of Ecology. The theme for 2024 is 'To hope and act with Creation' rooted in the Pauline image of the Earth as a Mother groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22). I invite you to view the wide variety of Season of Creation Resources that are available at www.catholicbishops.ie/laudato-si/season-of-creation-2024/

Lay Pastoral Ministry Information Meetings Scheduled: We are pleased to announce that the dates for the information evenings for the Ministry of Lay Pastoral Worker Programme have been finalised! The meeting takes place in your area in The Rainbow Centre, Glenfarne on Wed 4 Sept at 7:30pm. Brochures are also available in each church, providing further details. You can also find comprehensive information on the Kilmore diocesan website at www.kilmorediocese.ie. If you are unable to attend in person, we offer an option to join an online information meeting or one of the other scheduled meetings in the Diocese; all details are on the website. Bishop Martin and team will be present at all the meetings and are looking forward to meeting you. If you have any queries, please email Martina at pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie or telephone 085 864 0299.

Points to Ponder

There was once a king who engaged a street artist to make a painting of the Last Supper. He wanted a picture of Jesus and His friends at their farewell meal for his banqueting room. The artist had Jesus and His friends around the supper table, but he also included all kinds of people around the table, showing people from many races. There were sick, lame and crippled; men and women; young and old; beggars and misfits and some not very nice people. When the King saw the painting he went into a rage, 'Of what is this a painting?' The artist said 'Your Highness, this is a painting of God who delights in all people; all saints and all sorts are welcomed to the Kingdom and the earthly banquet...and that is my understanding of the Last Supper, Holy Communion and Eucharist.'

What we receive in the small piece of bread or the sip of wine at the Eucharist is the gift of life from Jesus. It is the gift of God who has become one of us. It is the gift of love with sacrifice. If we have put self out for others in big or small ways, or have cried for another's woes or laughed for another's joy, or held a hand in sympathy or just listened when there were no answers, we know the quality of this gift. In the Eucharist God is close in His creation, in Jesus we can recognise God near at hand. Pope Benedict wrote – 'we have to rediscover God, not just any God, but the God that has a human face, because when we see Jesus Christ we see God'.

www.sacredspace.com.

Drumkeeran Community Festival 2024: Continues with entertainment and competitions through to Sun 25 Aug. The fabulous Old Fair Day is on Sat 17 Aug starting at 12 noon. There are lots of other events planned, see the programmes in the local shops or check out the Parish website or Facebook page for more information. All are welcome to attend!

Heritage Week History Talk: A history talk titled The Mass Rocks on the Mountain: Sliabh an Iarainn in Penal Times will be given by Fr Liam Kelly in Aras Phadraig, Drumshanbo on Tues 20 Aug at 8:00pm. All are welcome.

Dromahair Community Playschool: Are currently recruiting an Early Years Practitioner Fetac Level 6. Please send CV to dromahairplayschool@gmail.com.

Job Opportunity: Driver/Kitchen Assistant - part-time required for Mo Chairde Day Centre based in Keadue. Full clean Driving Licence is essential and experience of working with older people is desirable. For further details and job description, please see www.rosleaderpartnership.ie/recruitment. Email your CV and cover letter to recruitment@ridc.ie.

You, Me and Palliative Care: Palliative Care Week 2024 takes place on 8-14 September. The theme is 'You, Me and Palliative Care.' The theme was chosen with the aim of reminding people about the different ways that palliative care can touch any of our lives, how it can affect all of us and how it can benefit us if and when we may need it. Please visit their website at <https://thepalliativehub.com/palliative-care-week-2024/>.

LGFA Church gate Collection 2024: Church gate collections will take place next weekend, Sat/Sun 24/25 Aug, in support of the Leitrim County Ladies Gaelic Football Association (LGFA) Your donation directly benefits Leitrim LGFA in essential resources, equipment, and training opportunities. Thank you for your generosity and support.