

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st October 2023

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

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| Sat 30th Sept | 7:00pm | Tarmon | |
| Sun 1st Oct | 10:00am | Creevelea | |
| | 11:15am | Drumkeeran | John McPartland, Derrinvoney. Annie Cullen & Deceased of the Cullen & Higgins Families. |
| Mon 2nd Oct | 6:00pm | Drumkeeran | Adoration until 6:50pm. |
| | 7:00pm | Drumkeeran | Elizabeth Woods & Deceased Family. |
| Tue 3rd Oct | 11:00am | Áras Bhríde | |
| Wed 4th Oct | 10:00am | Creevelea | |
| Thur 4th Oct | 10:00am | Drumkeeran | |
| Fri 6th Oct | 7:00pm | Tarmon | |
| Sat 7th Oct | 7:00pm | Tarmon | |
| Sun 8th Oct | 10:00am | Creevelea | Michael McMorrow & Parents & Siblings and Deceased of the McNulty Family, Shiddillagh And Martin & John Stanford, Omagh and Rachael Lansfield, UK. |
| | 11:15am | Drumkeeran | Mae McGee. |

Visitations: Fr Tom will be doing his rounds on Fri 6 Oct.

Confession: Available after weekday Mass or on request.

Drumkeeran Church Choir: Rehearsal on Mon 2 Oct at 8:30pm. New singers are always most welcome.

Faith Renewal Events at Knock Shrine: 'What do we know about Jesus?' Adult Faith Formation Course with Fr Eugene Duffy. Beginning Tues 3 Oct and running for 8 weeks on Tuesday evenings at 8:00pm. Booking required on Eventbrite (see www.knockshrine.ie for direct link to book). 'Joining in the Synod: A weekly update on the proceedings in Rome', this series will take place online and culminate in 1 in-person gathering at Knock Shrine. Begins on Mon 2 Oct at 8:30pm and runs for 5 weeks. Join online at www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live. No booking necessary.

Classical at the Cathedral: A Concert is being held in support of the Cavan Cathedral Restoration Fund, on Fri 13 Oct at 8:00pm. Starring Celine Byrne, Soprano & Strings with special guest; Cobhla Surlis and the Cavan Cathedral Choir. Host Mary Kennedy. Tickets €45 and are available at The Presbytery, Cavan, 049 4331404, Multisound, Main St., Cavan, 049 4361312 or online at www.townhallcavan.com.

Backpack Programme: Following on from the success of the Backpack for Adults in previous years at Cavan Institute, the course will run again on Tuesday evenings from Oct 10th for 8 weeks. The Backpack is a human and spiritual development programme addressing topics such as anxiety, negative looping thoughts, resilience building, self-awareness, boundary setting and healthy relationship with self, others, and God. Apply online: www.cavaninstitute.ie/eveningcourses or call: 049 437 7940.

Hail Holy Queen Conference 2023: Is live on Radio Maria, Ireland from 2:00pm on Sat 7 Oct. Speakers include; Fr. Seán Maguire, Fr. Colum Power, Catherine McGowan, Fr. Freddy Warner. Radio Maria Ireland can be listened to by downloading the Radio Maria Ireland APP, Saorview Channel 210 or listen live at (01)4373277.

Cistercian Open Day: Do you feel called to seek God in prayer & contemplation, monastic work and community life? The Cistercian community at St. Mary's Abbey, Glencairn invite single women, aged 19-40, to our upcoming Monastic vocations weekend on 27-29 October. Please contact our vocation director, Sr Sarah at vocations@glencairnabbey.org or visit www.glencairnabbey.org for more details.

Thought for the Day:

Matthew 21:28-32

I watched a farmer in Co. Leitrim; he was bringing his flock of sheep out of one field and transferring them somewhere else. But what I admired was how, instead of having a dog round up the sheep with barking and nipping, and wielding a big stick himself, he simply stood by the gate and whistled. The sheep came to him, slowly and contentedly. As they approached, he simply walked out the gate ahead of them; and they followed. I had watched animals being driven with an amount of cruelty, thumping and shouting. This was different. I remembered him when I thought that Christ, the 'good shepherd', is not driving us forward, but calling us, drawing us towards Him.

Song of the Goldfinch: A Memoir by John F Deane.

Leitrim County Council: Will continue to operate the Community Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme for the season 2023/2024. See the Parish Website for more details.

Coffee Morning: On Sun 8 Oct the Northwest Hospice support group in Drumkeeran will host a coffee morning in Davitt's on Main Street after the 11.15 Mass. Please come, bring a friend and support generously.

Junction Safety Improvements: Road works will begin on Wed 4 Oct at the Lough Allen College - St Brigid's Church junction and will include significant changes to the whole junction to improve safety for all road users. Please be mindful of the road works when planning your journeys over the coming weeks and bear with the Council operatives as they carry out the improvements. For more information please see the Parish Website at www.inishmagrath.com.

Social Solo: Social Solo is a new county-wide social group for over 55's who are feeling socially isolated and lonely for many different reasons and want to get out and meet new friends. An information evening will be held on Thurs 5 Oct at 6:30pm in the Mayflower, Drumshanbo, to provide an opportunity to get together, have a chat and make plans! Refreshments will be served. All welcome, see you at the Mayflower! For more information, contact Anna McTiernan, Leitrim Development Company, 086 4073492 or annamctiernan@ldco.ie.