## PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

## **Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10th September 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 9th Sept	8:00pm	Creevelea	
	Sun 10th Sept	10:00am 11:15am	Tarmon Drumkeeran	Johnny Gallagher & Deceased Family, Drumbrahade. Michael & Beatrice & Rosaleen Lyons.
	Mon 11th Sept	6:00pm 7:00pm	Drumkeeran Drumkeeran	Adoration until 6:50pm. Essie McLoughlin (MM), Sheena.
	Tue 12th Sept	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
	Wed 13th Sept	10:00am	Creevelea	
	Thur 14th Sept	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
	Fri 15th Sept	7:00pm	Tarmon	
	Sat 16th Sept	8:00pm	Creevelea	Seamus, Frances & Ann O'Brien. Frank & Mary Gallagher & Deceased Family, Cloonamurgal.
	Sun 17th Sept	10:00am 11:15am	Tarmon Drumkeeran	Mary & John Rogan & John Harrison, Corralustia.

Confession: Available after weekday Mass or on request.

**Annagh Parish Pastoral Council - Belturbet, Drumalee & Redhills:** Will mark the Golden Jubilee of Fr. John McTiernan's Ordination with a Special Mass of Thanksgiving at 7:00pm on Fri 22 Sept, in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Belturbet. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Seven Horseshoes. Fr. John is a native of Inishmagrath so we pray for him and congratulate him on his years of service. Friends, Colleagues & Acquaintances are cordially invited to this event.

**The Totus Tuus Men for Christ Conference 2023:** A Catholic Conference for Men will be live and exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland on Sat 16 Sept from 2:00pm. Speakers for this year's Conference are; Fr. Billy Swan, Fr. Chris Hayden, Anthony Crossey and Fr. John Harris OP.

Points to Ponder: Matthew 18:15-20

The reading today speaks of the mechanism the early Christians developed in order to deal with internal conflicts and with members who erred. As I re-read these words, I become aware of my responsibilities to my brothers and sisters in the community. What do I do when I notice others losing their way: do I just shrug my shoulders, do I denounce on social media, do I feel morally superior? Or, do I follow the gentle way traced by Jesus, trying to win back my sister or brother? I pray for someone I know who is straying from the right path. I pray for myself to feel responsible for my brothers and sisters in the community of believers.

Correcting others when they err is never easy, and in these relativistic and individualistic times we tend to see it as obsolete and perhaps counterproductive. Even when the gospels were written it was seen as a complex operation that needs to be done with care and love to achieve its aims. Yet we do need to be reminded that we are responsible for each other. Today I ask myself before God whether there is anything I can do to "regain my brother". I can certainly pray for those who I see to be erring.

Jesus is present in many ways, including in the community that gathers in His name, even in the smallest one. I thank God for the community I belong to - my Parish, my religious community, my Church movement - and pray that it may be an ever-better place to meet Jesus.

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**Leitrim Women Through Time:** A free event on Sat 16 Sept from 12:00pm to 2:00pm in the Bee Park Community Centre, to celebrate the history of the rural 'handywoman' and midwife! Join us for a fascinating talk by Emma Laffey, author of the excellent 'An Bhean Ghluine' publication and exhibition, followed by a unique informal workshop with Steffi Otto from Heritage Crafts Alive, where people will get the opportunity to use antique Singer sewing machines to make a simple scent bag. No booking is required for this free event, and everyone is welcome! Supported by The Heritage Council Community Heritage Grant 2023.

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