

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE - NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 2nd July 2023 – The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Points to Ponder

Each morning *we wake up* with a short note from God awaiting us on this imaginary table next to our bed. **It is our to-do list for the day.** The top priorities are relationships and responsibilities. Each of us in the journey of life has created a network of love and service. This is the clearest expression of God's will for us. Today's seemingly severe words of Jesus about family are simply an invitation to put everything in order. When we love God first, not only do we love our family more, this love, is more selfless and life-giving, free of deception and illusion.

Likewise, discipleship of Jesus enriches and expands our vision of the world. Our daily responsibilities of work, community and society open up to new horizons when we walk with Jesus. We are invited beyond the surface, outside the narrow limits of our selfishness. We are called to enter into the depths of life where we meet the wonder of God's love in the ordinary flow of life.

Jesus makes it clear. We need sacrifice and deeper reflection to transform our lives with our families and our professional responsibilities. This same sacrificial effort opens up how we relate to our neighbors, how we face the challenge of a world suffering from the neglect of our indulgent lifestyle. Our consumer culture has set no limits on our desires. We are on the edge of destroying our planet. God's will is clear. Enough already!

Today's gospel tells us those who seek themselves are on the road to self-destruction. Our relationship with God, our loved ones, our community and our world only finds life through self-giving.

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Monthly Visitation of the Sick and Housebound – July 2023: Fr Paul will visit the Sick and Housebound on **Friday next – 7th July at the usual times.** If you know someone who would like a visit and is not currently on the First Friday visitation list, please let him know. Telephone: 071-91 64143.

Visitation & Blessing of Graves 2023

Newtownmanor: Sunday 6th August, beginning with Mass in Mary Mother of God Church, at **3.00pm,** followed by Blessing of Graves in **Newtownmanor Cemetery** immediately after Mass and continuing to Carrickatemple Cemetery for **4.30pm** approximately.

Please note there will be no 10.00am Mass in Newtownmanor Church on that day.

There is a Special Cemetery Sunday Collection Envelope in the Newtownmanor boxes. You may put your contribution in this envelope and hand it in at the **Cemetery Gates** on the day of the Visitation & Blessing of the Graves, or with the **Offertory Collection** at Mass. **Your contribution will go towards the upkeep of the cemeteries. Thanks for your generosity.**

Pope's Collection - 2023

The Pope's Collection is due this weekend – 1st & 2nd July. You will find the white/pink 'Pope's Collection' envelope in your box, or just simply use an ordinary envelope. Please include your name and address. The funds raised go to the Holy Father, who distributes them for the necessities of the Universal Church and as Charity to those most in need. **Thanks, as always for your generosity – Fr Paul.**

Recently Deceased: **Mai Devaney**, Corrycullen, Leckaun, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated in Mary the Mother of God Church, on Wednesday 28th June. **John Joe Speers**, Boston, U.S.A., and Dromahair, who died on Wednesday 28th June. **James Scott**, Drumlease, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair on Saturday 25th June. **May they Rest in Peace. Amen.**

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's; No Mass on Wed at 9.30am;** Fri at 8pm; **Sat at 11am.** Sun at 11.15am.
Pray for:
John Harvey, Drumlease. **Kathleen & Steve Reed**, London. Mass on Sunday 2nd July at 11.15am.
No Mass on Wednesday 5th July at 9.30am.
Available for Intention. Mass on Friday 7th July at 8.00pm.
John Joe Speers, Boston & Dromahair. Memorial Mass on Saturday, 8th July at 11am.
Sean Carre, Backline, & **his son, Colm. Pat Kerins**, Sox Line. Mass on Sunday 9th June at 11.15am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
2. **Liturgy for July: Readers** - Sadie Foley & Volunteer; **Collectors** - Tony Maguire & Volunteer.
Altar Society – Angela Flanagan & Christine Burns.

CHURCH OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass:** Thursday at 8pm; Sunday at 10.00am.
2. **Pray for:**
John & Kathleen McGoldrick & Dec Family Members. Doonkelly. Mass on Sun 2nd July at 10am.
Available for Intention. Mass on Thursday 6th July at 8.00pm.
Available for Intention. Mass on Sunday 9th July at 10.00am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for July: Reader** - Eddie Mullarkey; **Collectors** - John Loughlin & Charlie McDermott; **Altar Society** – Mary Darcy & Breda Rooney.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Tuesday at 8.00pm (Adoration from 7.00pm to 8.00pm);** Saturday (Vigil) Mass at 8.00pm.
2. **Pray for:**
Teresa McPartlin, Larkfield Bar, (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 1st July at 8.00pm.
No Mass on Tuesday 4th July at 8.00pm (Adoration from 7.00pm to 8.00pm).
Fr John Flanagan, San Antonio, Texas, and his brother **Mike Flanagan**, London. Mass on Saturday 8th July at 8.00pm.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for July: Readers** – Sile Boles & Ben Gilhooly; **Collectors** - Michael Hannon & Donal Gallagher; **Altar Society** – Bernadette Walpole.

We wish Paul McDermott all the best as he is undertaking a charity climb of Croagh Patrick today - Sunday, 2nd July, the day he celebrates his 60th birthday: Paul will climb this famous mountain, *today*, not just once **but, four times**. Paul is doing this to raise funds for two local projects, that are close to his heart. His local Church here, in Newtownmanor, Mary, Mother of God, and also our local National School, Leckaun. **On behalf of the community, we wish Paul a very happy 60th birthday today and thank him** for his generosity in undergoing these climbs in honour of our local church and school. **It truly is a very kind gesture from Paul. Please, if you can, support Paul in these worthy projects which benefits our community.** Paul McDermott is certainly proof, that age is simply, just a number!

God bless you Paul and thanks.

O'Rourke's Table Official Opening: Sunday 23rd July, setting off up the trail at 2.00pm, followed by celebrations on the summit. Music by **Jay O'Dee Country Band. Gerard Butler Dance** plus local artists and dancers. **Special guest – Nathan Carter.** Barbeque food on sale at the summit. **Admission is free but voluntary donations for the upkeep of the trail would be greatly appreciated on the day.**

Sharon Loughlin Memorial Fun Run/Walk: Sunday 16th July 2023, starting from Newtownmanor Hall at 6.00pm. Registration is from 5.00pm on the day. €10.00 per adult. €20.00 per family. Primary School Children go free. 5km and 8km to suit and challenge all comers. Proceeds in aid of The Motor Neuron Association. Refreshments and Spot Prizes in the hall afterwards.

