

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE- NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 6th June 2021 – Feast of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

COVID – 19

When attending Mass or any other liturgical celebration, please remember the following:

- Sanitise your hands when entering & exiting the church.
- Sit two meters apart within the church (with household groups seated together).
- Mask wearing is mandatory for all gatherings in a church.
- Please cooperate with the stewards on duty, they are there for your health & safety.
- Parishioners are discouraged from gathering outside the church or in the carpark after Mass.

Today's Gospel Reflection – 'He has gone out of his mind'.

In the Gospel today we read that Jesus has returned home and causes quite a commotion on his arrival. *Word about this healer and teacher has gotten around, the crowds have gathered, and the religious leaders are not happy. Jesus' growing popularity has started to upset daily life for his family to the point where 'they could not eat'.* In an effort to protect their son and their brother, Jesus' family try to explain away his 'unruly' behaviour. They tell the crowd and the religious leaders *that Jesus does not mean what he says, he has simply 'gone out of his mind'.* In their view, things have gone too far. Jesus was preaching a message that seemed radical to many.

He knows that *bringing about God's dream* for the world **involves speaking out and behaving in ways** that are counter cultural. The religious leaders go so far as to say that Jesus was possessed by a demon. ***It was their way of 'explaining away'*** someone that they could not cope with, someone who was challenging their systems and practices. We can think of those in society today who are 'explained away'; those whom society wishes would stop speaking out because it is uncomfortable to listen to. Name-calling is often a last resort when institutions or 'powers' are disgruntled.

The young climate activist, ***Greta Thunberg***, knows this well. Following taunts by Presidents and Fossil Fuel executives towards her, she famously said, ***'When haters go after your looks and differences, it means they have nowhere left to go... and then you know you're winning.'***

The end of today's Gospel is troubling as Jesus seems to dismiss his mother, his brothers and sisters. But Jesus' mission is now wider than his immediate family. It is not that he no longer cares for them, God's vision and Jesus' vision for this world are now one. ***As sometimes happens in life, we have to let go of certain things in order to follow our true path.***

Recent Baptism

We welcome to the Christian Community – **Tom Ammy Farrell**. Son of John & Sadie, who was baptised on Saturday 29th May, in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair.

On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council, we wish **the very best of luck** to all our young people preparing for the Leaving Cert on Wednesday, 9th June. Be assured of our prayers and support over the next couple of weeks. **May God's Spirit of Wisdom, Knowledge and Understanding be yours.** Prayers will be offered at all our Masses. **Family and friends are welcome to join us** at any of our Masses or to just drop into the Church to say a prayer or light a candle for a loved one doing them.
Fr Paul.

Leckaun N.S. Parents Association - are organizing a Used Clothes Collection on the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th of June, in Newtownmanor Hall, from 7pm to 8pm. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Please contact Angela 087 6941174, Fidelma 087 2870584, Michelle 086 8765702, Catherine 086 6030827, or any parent for further details.

First Communion and Confirmation: The Government advised that these ceremonies should not take place at present. The difficulty is not with the ceremony but with what happens afterwards. **Dates for Confirmation are as follows: Drumlease N.S. Saturday, 21st August in Dromahair Church. Leckaun N.S. 14th August in Newtownmanor Church, beginning at 11am. Holy Communion** for Drumlease N.S. will take place early in October. Date to be arranged early in September.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's;** Wednesday at 9.30am; Friday at 8.00pm; Sunday at 11.15am.
2. **Pray for:**
Dr Michael Carney, 6th Anniver. Kathleen McCawley. Dowra. Memorial Mass on Sun 6th June
Ben Murphy. Newmarket, Co. Cork. Memorial Mass on Wed 9th June at 9.30am (*streamed live*).
Peggy O'Rafferty. Trim. Memorial Mass on Friday 11th June at 8.00pm (*streamed live*).
Eileen Carney. Stonepark. Anniversary Mass on Sunday 13th June at 11.15am (*streamed live*).
May they Rest in Peace. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for June: Readers; Emer Clancy. Collectors; Joseph McGoldrick, Frances Dolan and Tommy Dolan. Altar Society; Josephine Harvey.**

CHURCH OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass:** Mass on Thursday at 8.00pm; Sunday at 10.00am.
2. **Pray for:**
Michael Darcy, & his parents, John & Mary. Mass on Sunday 6th June at 10.00am.
Fr Benny Fitzpatrick. Memorial Mass on Thursday 10th June at 8.00pm.
Annie Comiskey, Doonkelly. Eamon Dolan, Cornalaughta. Mass on Sunday 13th June at 10.00am.
May they Rest in Peace. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for June: Readers; Lisa McGourty & Seamus Storey. Collectors; Michael Comiskey & Liam Martin. Altar Society; Hillary McDermott.**

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass:** Tuesday at **8.00pm** (followed by Rosary); Saturday (Vigil) at **8.00pm**
2. **Pray for:**
Mick, Ellie & Noel McKenna, Gortatresk. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 5th June at 8.00pm.
Available for Intention. Mass on Tuesday 8th June at 8.00pm.
Jim Boles, Gortnacarkogue, (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 12th June at 8.00pm.
May they Rest in Peace. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for June: Reader; Pdraig Fitzpatrick. Collectors; Michéal Donoghue & Joe Giblin. Altar Society; Christina & Shauna Loughlin.**

Kilmore Diocese Apostolic Work Missions Fundraising Draw

For almost 100 years Apostolic Workers have been supporting Irish Missionaries to bring Love, Hope & Practical Help to the most impoverished people in the world.

Please HELP us reach 100 years by supporting our fundraising draw.

Tickets €50 each for inclusion in twelve monthly draws. Cash prizes of €200 & €100 on offer each month.

Tickets available in this parish from Bridget Fitzpatrick – 087 233343.

Your support for this worthy cause is greatly appreciated.

O Rourke's Table Update: History was made on Friday week last, as RTE's North-Western Correspondent, Eileen Magnier and the RTÉ cameras made the journey to our beloved O'Rourke's Table! Eileen interviewed some of the Committee to find out more about the developments, plans and the progress to date. Eileen and her team spent over two hours with us and were amazed by the beauty, the peace and the magnificent views, 'hidden gem'. The interviews and the drone footage captured the beauty of O'Rourke's Table for the RTÉ news! Keep an eye out on the RTÉ news over the coming days as we share the secret gem, that is O'Rourke's Table and Newtownmanor with others!