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Sunday 7th February 2021 – The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel Reflection - Jesus the Healer

In today's Gospel we read about **Jesus' first healing** in Mark's Gospel. Jesus hears of the illness of the mother of Simon's wife and goes to her. Due to the purity laws of his time, this scene would have been considered controversial. His first healing is of a woman and we are told that he touches her, raises her up; he completely restores her to health. *Many of his actions here would have been considered inappropriate.*

The '**whole city**' was crowded around the door *as many people wanted to be healed.* What a commotion! Jesus, very early on in his ministry is clearly a very popular and attractive figure. Another important aspect of this story is that **Jesus does not remain comfortable** in this house. He keeps moving, keeps going outward. This requires so much energy and an outpouring of love for those in need. **Jesus shows us** in today's Gospel *what it takes to stay energised for our various ministries: quiet time and space for real encounter with God.* Even then, the people hunted for him and said, '*Everyone is searching for you*', **and still today, everyone is searching.**

We too are called to bring healing to others in any way that we can, to those who are seeking, those who are lost, those who are isolated. Jesus shows us that, to do this we must be connected to that Divine Presence within us and in our world. Today, we can ask ourselves, **what do I need healing from?** Bring this to Jesus in prayer. And also, *how can I reach out, with a healing presence, to others, especially during this time of pandemic?* 'I ask God to prepare our hearts to encounter our brothers and sisters, so that we may overcome our differences rooted in political thinking, language, culture and religion. **Let us ask him to anoint** our whole being with the balm of his mercy, **which heals the** injuries caused by mistakes, misunderstandings, and disputes. And let us ask him for the grace to send us forth, in humility and meekness, along the demanding but enriching path of seeking peace'. (Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti*, 254)

COVID – 19 UPDATE

Here is the schedule of Masses for the coming week which will take place, '*behind closed doors*' in St Patrick's Church, Dromahair:

Tuesday 8.00pm; Wednesday at 9.30am; Thursday at 8.00pm; Friday at 8.00pm; Saturday (Vigil Mass) at 8.00pm; Sunday at 11.15am.

All Masses will be streamed live via the church webcam: To access the webcam please type the following in your search engine. www.churchtv.ie then click on County Leitrim icon, and then, click on the Dromahair icon, then click play. Once the webcam is switched on, you will be able to follow the mass from your laptop, tablet, smart phone or IT device.

SINCERE THANK YOU: To all who have dropped in their parish envelopes for the support of the parish. You can continue to drop Dues/Offertory Collection Envelopes into Fr Paul at the Parochial House in Dromahair (or to John McMorrogh in Killargue). **Please do not leave Collection Envelopes in any of the three churches while unattended.** Thank you for your generosity & understanding.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Shane Flanagan, Fermoy, Calry, whose funeral takes place today – Sunday 7th February. Matt Clinton, Sligo & formerly Kilcoosey, whose funeral took place on Monday 1st February. Eamon Kerrigan, Glencar, whose funeral took place on Monday 1st February. P.J. McLoughlin, Bohey, whose funeral Mass took place on Sunday 31st January. Josephine Fowley, formerly of Martin Savage Terrace, Sligo & Kilmore, Fivemilebourne, who died recently.

May they Rest in Peace. Amen.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's;** Tuesday at 8.00pm; Wednesday at 9.30am; Thursday at 8.00pm; Friday at 8.00pm; Saturday (Vigil Mass) at 8.00pm; Sunday at 11.15am.

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2. **Pray for:**

Hugh McMorrow & Deceased Family Members, Gortnacarkogue. Anniv. Mass on Saturday 6th February at 8.00pm (*streamed live*).

Michael Dolan, his parents, Kate Ellen & Martin. Delia & Larry Lee and their son, Laurence. Anniversary Mass on Sunday 7th February at 11.15am (*streamed live*).

John Kelly. Drumkeerin. Memorial Mass on Tuesday 9th February at 8.00pm (*streamed live*).

Kathleen Rooney. Aughnasheelin. Memorial Mass on Wed 10th Feb at 9.30am (*streamed live*).

Vincent Banks. Leckaun. Anniv. Mass on Thursday 11th February at 8.00pm (*streamed live*).

John & Brigid Burke, their son Joe. Daughter: Margaret & dec of the Burke & Gibbons families. Mass on Friday 12th February at 8.00pm (*streamed live*).

Deceased of the Hannon Family, Killavoggy. **John Pat Rooney**, Manorhamilton. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 13th February at 8.00pm (*streamed live*).

Evelyn O'Connor. Months Memory, her sister Sarah and her husband, Hugh Brennan. Shriff. **Special Intention.** Mass on Sunday 14th February at 11.15am (*streamed live*).

May they Rest in Peace. Amen.

CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

Mass: No Mass until further notice (COVID-19 Level 5 restrictions now apply). Masses will be celebrated, 'behind closed doors' in Dromahair Church and are available to view via the church webcam.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

Mass: No Mass until further notice (COVID-19 Level 5 restrictions now apply). Masses will be celebrated, 'behind closed doors' in Dromahair Church and are available to view via the church webcam.

Act of Spiritual Communion

(For those watching mass via the webcam. Please pray this prayer with Fr Paul before the final prayer of the Mass.)

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

You are all INVITED: Lent begins *on Ash Wednesday 17th February*. It would be a lovely way to begin Lent to have a **guided Holy Hour each Wednesday evening from 8pm to 9pm**. This would be done via our Webcam while the government restrictions remain in place. From the comfort of your own home, you could be part of a relaxing and peaceful hour in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. I invite you to consider taking this on for Lent individually or as a family. **On Ash Wednesday, Mass will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair, at 9.30am and again at 8.00pm, behind closed doors, and streamed live via the church webcam.**

Leckaun National School Enrolments for September 1st, 2021, will commence for the school year 2021 – 2022 from Monday February 8th, 2021. Application forms will be available on the school website, by calling (089) 6009185, or by emailing: info@leckaunns.ie.

Gaelscoil Chluainín Enrolment 2021: Closing date for applications is 19th February. Please email for an application form on admin@gaelscoilchluainin.ie.

