

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE - NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 8th September 2024 – Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Season of Creation: The Season of Creation 2024 which began on September 1st and concludes on October 4th, 2024 - the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the Patron of Ecology. The theme for 2024 is, **'To hope and act with Creation'** rooted in the Pauline image of the Earth as a Mother groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22).

I invite you to view the wide variety of Season of Creation Resources that are available at:

www.catholicbishops.ie/laudato-si/season-ofcreation-2024.

The Annual Collection for Christians in the Holy Land was due last weekend - 31st Aug/1st Sept 2024

You will find the *white/pink bar* **Holy Land Collection Envelope** in your pack. If you haven't got the *'official envelope'*, please put your contribution in an ordinary envelope marked - *'Holy Land Collection'*. Please include your name and address. **Thanks for your continuing generosity.**

Newtownmanor Church Bi-Centenary 1825- 2025: Mary, Mother of God Church in Newtownmanor is celebrating its Bi-Centenary next year. To continue our conversation in relation to celebrating this event, **an important meeting will take place on this Monday - 9th September at 8pm in the Manor Church,** to which everyone is invited to attend. **Fr Paul.**

St. Peregrine: Fr Paul will celebrate the St Peregrine Mass for the sick, in St. Brigid's Church, Killargue, on the second Tuesday of each month, at 8.00pm. The Mass will be preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. **The next Mass will be on Tuesday next – 10th September at 8.00pm.** St. Peregrine is the patron saint of cancer patients.

Blessing with St Peregrine oil will be available.

Something to Ponder On: **We all have ears, but very often we are not able to hear.** Why is this? It is interior deafness, which is worse than physical deafness, because it is the deafness of the heart. Taken up with haste, by so many things to say and do, we do not find time to stop and listen to those who speak to us. **We run the risk of becoming impervious to everything and not making room for those who need to be heard.** I am thinking about children, young people, the elderly, the many who do not really need words and sermons, but to be heard. **Let us ask ourselves: how is my capacity to listen going? Do I let myself be touched by people's lives? Do I know how to spend time with those who are close to me in order to listen?** This regards all of us, but in a special way also priests. **The priest must listen to people, not in a rushed way, but listen and see how he can help, but after having listened.** And all of us: first listen, then respond. Think about family life: how many times do we talk without listening first, repeating the same things, always the same things. Incapable of listening, we always say the same things, or we do not let the other person finish talking, expressing themselves, and we interrupt them. **Starting a dialogue often happens not through words but silence,** by not insisting, by patiently beginning anew to listen to others, hearing about their struggles and what they carry inside.

The healing of the heart begins with listening. Real Listening.

Pope Francis.

Recently Deceased: **Betty Purves (nee McConnell)**, Rose Cottage, Dromahair, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Sunday 1st September in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair. **Michéal Sweeney**, Townahoney, Tawneylea, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Sunday 1st September, in St. Brigid's Church, Creevelea.

May they Rest in Peace. Amen.

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:**
Conor Torsney, Killeen. Memorial Mass. **Mel Farrell**, Drumlease. **Rose Keane**, Drumkeeran. Anniversary Mass on Sunday 8th Sept. at 11.15am.
Gerry O'Connor, Ballintogher. Memorial Mass on Wednesday 11th September at 9.30am.
Tommie Gallagher, Lisgorman. **Months Memory**. **Sean Hegarty**, Ramelton, Co. Donegal. Memorial Mass on Friday 13th September at 8.00pm.
Barney Kelly, Speers Green. Mass on Sunday 15th September at 11.15am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for September:** Readers: Aine Leonard & Volunteer. Collectors: Michéal McGoldrick & Charlie Sharkey. Altar Society: Volunteers needed.

CHURCH OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass:** Thursday at 8pm (**Adoration from 7.15pm to 8pm**); Sunday at 10.00am.
2. **Pray for:**
John McDonald & Dec Family Members. **Kathleen O'Hara**, Gortnaskeagh. Mass on Sun at 10am. Available for Intention. Mass on Thursday 12th September at 8.00pm (Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm). Available for Intention. Mass on Sunday 15th September at 10.00am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for September:** Reader: Angela Loughlin. Collectors: Joseph McLoughlin & Frank Dolan. Altar Society: Michelle Comiskey & Catherine McDermott.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass:** Tuesday at 8.00pm (**Adoration 7.00pm to 8.00pm**); Saturday (Vigil) at 8.00pm.
2. **Pray for:**
Paul & Matt Bird and Deceased Family Members, Corrigeencor. Mass on Sat. 7th Sept. at 8.00pm.
Bill & Betty Cawley, Sligo. **John & Maureen Moran**, Limerick. **Mae Higgins (nee Cawley)**, Sligo. Mass (**& St. Peregrine Prayers for the Sick**) on Tuesday 10th September at 8.00pm (**7pm to 8pm**).
Frank McMorro, Cornamorriff. **Months Memory Mass** on Saturday 14th September at 8.00pm.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen. Adoration
3. **Liturgy for September:** Reader – Marie Sheridan; Collectors – Carmel Feeney & Carmel Loughlin; Altar Society – Catherine Sweeney.

Kilmore Diocesan PTAA - Pioneer Total Abstinence Association celebrating 125 years of the association. Mass and presentation of pins on **Sunday 15th September in St Mary's Church Carrigallen at 2pm**. **Chief Celebrant of the Mass is Bishop Martin Hayes**. Followed by Dinner in Kilbracken Arms. Tickets for dinner available from your local centres or Rosaleen (Sec.) 0872450692. National President of the PTAA will also attend. Regions and Centres with banners asked to bring them along.

Newtownmanor Community Funday: Today - Sunday 8th September from 3.00pm to 5.00pm at Newtownmanor Hall. Meet your neighbours. Fun and Games. Light refreshments.

Short Mat Bowling – resumes in Killargue Community Centre, following the summer break, on Tuesday next – 10th September 2024, at 8.00pm. **New members always welcome**.

Time for Tea: Please join the **Killargue Ladies** for a coffee, chat and catch-up in the Killargue Community Centre on Thursday next - 12th of September between 10.30am to 12.00noon. **Everyone welcome**.

Foróige Club: There has been an expression of interest to set up a Foróige club for 12–18-year-olds in Dromahair and surrounding areas. Foróige is seeking adults who are willing to volunteer for approximately one and a half hours per week to facilitate a club in Dromahair.
For more information, please contact Jason Harley on 086-1084116.

Dromahair Active Age Group: Resumes on Wednesday, 11th September from 10:30am- 12:30pm in the Depot, Dromahair. New Members are most welcome. So come along and enjoy the company.

'The Only Difference between Ordinary and Extraordinary is that little EXTRA!'