

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE- NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 11th July 2021 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today – is World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Prayer for Grandparents

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society. Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of faith, guardians of prayer example and living treasuries of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations, the fruits of their wisdom and lived life experience of prayer in action. So that, in our times, they show us, it can be done.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcome in all the years of life which you give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

Today's Gospel Reflection – The first mission

Two phrases come to mind as I read about the disciples heading off on their first mission: *'baptism of fire'* and *'to be thrown in at the deep end'*. We use these expressions to describe a difficult introduction to a new job or activity, when we are expected to learn as we go and cope with whatever obstacles we face. In today's Gospel, **Jesus sends the Twelve** out on their first mission. It is a challenging one and his **instructions are brief and very specific**: they are to bring nothing but a staff – no food or money – meaning they will have to rely on the hospitality of others for all their needs. They are to stay wherever they are welcomed, rather than move around from house to house, *so they can't be choosy* about their lodgings. **Simplicity is key** – no baggage, no luxuries, **no distractions**, nothing but the task of reaching to people. It might not be plain sailing, but Jesus offers advice for those difficult times too.

It appears their mission of preaching and healing was successful, as we are told the disciples came back eager to fill Jesus in. **Imagine** the experiences they must have had during this time – *the people they met and helped, the generosity of those who welcomed them, the conversations on the road, the chance to share their excitement at everything Jesus was doing*. They were certainly thrown into a challenging situation, **but they returned with a fresh perspective and strengthened faith**. Jesus calls us to step out into the unknown, his words as our guide and his bond with us unbreakable.

'A boat is safe in the harbour, but this not the purpose of a boat.' (Paulo Coelho)

Recently Deceased: **Winifred Hand**, Glencar. Aunt of Seamus and Carmel Storey. Funeral took place in Glencar on Friday, 2nd July. **Terry Carty**, Garrison. Brother of Fergal Carty, Teacher in Leckaun N.S. Funeral took place on Saturday, 3rd July.

May they Rest in Peace. Amen.

First Communion and Confirmation: At the moment the Government restrictions do not affect our dates. They remain the same. **Leckaun N.S. – Saturday 14th August in Newtownmanor Church, at 11am.** **Drumlease N.S. - Saturday, 21st August in Dromahair Church, at 11am.** **Holy Communion for Drumlease N.S. will take place on Saturday, 9th October at 11am.**

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:**
Tom McBride, Drumlease, & his parents, **Joe & Nora**. 1st Anniv Mass on Sun 11th July at 11.15
Kathleen Fenton, The Back Line. Memorial Mass on Wednesday 14th July at 9.30am (*streamed live*).
John J. Feeney & dec family members. Mass on Friday 16th July at 8.00pm (*streamed live*).
Zoey Rose Feehily, Drumlease (5th Anniv). **James & Mary Ellen McTernan**, & their son, **Seamus**,
& grandson, **Gary**. Mass on Sunday 18th July at 11.15am (*streamed live*).
May they Rest in Peace. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for July: Readers** - Sadie Foley & Volunteer; **Collectors** - Tony Maguire & Tom Conlon.
Altar Society - Mary McMahan.

CHURCH OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass:** Mass on Thursday at 8.00pm; Sunday at 10.00am.
2. **Pray for:**
Fr Benny Fitzpatrick. Memorial Mass on Sunday 11th July at 10.00am.
Joe McLoughlin, Fawnlion, & **deceased family members**. Mass on Thurs 15th July at 8.00pm.
Patsy Diamond, Cornalaughta. Anniversary Mass on Sunday 18th July at 10.00am.
May they Rest in Peace. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for July: Reader** - Eddie Mullarkey; **Collectors** - John Loughlin & Charlie McDermott; **Altar Society** – Mary Darcy.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass:** Tuesday at **8.00pm** (followed by Rosary); Saturday (Vigil) at **8.00pm**
2. **Pray for:**
Michael Mellett & Deceased Family Members. Anniv. Mass on Saturday 10th July at 8.00pm.
Available for Intention. Mass on Tuesday 13th July at 8.00pm.
Sean Thornton, Cloonlougher, and **Deceased members of the Thornton & McGloin Families**,
Anniv. Mass on Saturday 17th July at 8.00pm.
May they Rest in Peace. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for July: Reader** - Silé Boles; **Collectors** - Michael Hannon & Donal Gallagher; **Altar Society**
– Bernadette Walpole.

The Pope's Collection for 2021 is now due: You will find the 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 to everyone who already sent in their contribution.**

Kilmore Diocese Apostolic Work Missions Fundraising Draw: Killargue Apostolic Society wishes to thank most sincerely everyone who supported the Diocesan Fundraising Draw. The first draw took place on Tuesday 29th June in the Pastoral Centre, Cavan. **First prize** was won by John Rudden, Bawnboy; **Second prize** was won by Margaret McDermott, Manorhamilton. The next draw will take place on Friday 30th July and on the last Friday of each month thereafter. Thanks again for your generosity and best of luck in the remaining draws.

Sharon's Memorial Fun Run/Walk – 2021: Due to the continued Covid-19 restrictions, there will, once again, be no formal, communal, 'Sharon's Memorial Fun Run/Walk', this year. For those who wish to continue the commemoration, individuals can choose a time/place of their own to complete their 5K/8K run or walk between Sunday 4th July and Sunday 1st August. This year donations will go towards the Alzheimer Society of Ireland. Donations can be given to any of the following: Anne Dolan - Mob: 086-2242828; Geraldine Loughlin - Mob: 086-0566156; Maggie McLoughlin - Mob: 086-1782072; Pat Dolan - Mob: 086-0608731.

Killargue Community Survey: Please return any outstanding survey forms and place them in the box in the church porch by next weekend, at the latest. Thank you.

Recent Baptisms

We welcome to the Christian Community; Constance Monica Devaney & Bridget Agnes Devaney, daughters of Darragh & Pauline, who were baptised in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair, on Saturday 3rd July.