

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE – NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 12th July 2020 – The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL

Matthew 13: 1–9 (abridged version)

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!

"As stewards of God's creation, we are called to make the earth a beautiful garden for the human family. When we destroy our forests, ravage our soil and pollute our seas, we betray that noble calling." Pope Francis.

Confirmation date: Confirmation will take place on Saturday, 22nd August at 11am in St Patrick's Church, Dromahair. There are two preparation masses arranged for Friday, 14th and 21st of August for the candidate and his/her family to attend. If you can't make these dates, please contact Fr Paul.

Webcam for Dromahair Church: We are in discussions with Church TV services in relation to installing a webcam. This will be very useful for those who can't attend Mass due to Covid-19. **If anyone would like to sponsor or part sponsor the Webcam, please contact Fr Paul** for more details. Thank You.

Anniversary Masses: Can be booked by contacting Fr Paul. Anniversary Masses that were missed due to lockdown can also be rebooked. Due to the 'Social Distancing' guidelines, I would ask that immediate family, and not the extended family attend while these guidelines remain in place.

Recently Deceased: **Tom McBride**, Drumlease. Funeral will take place in St Michael's Church, Killavoggy, on Monday at 12noon. **Myra Lavery**, Killenna, Leckaun, whose funeral took place in Newtownmanor on Monday 29th June. **Patricia Gaffney, nee O'Reilly**, Hyde Park, Boston. Wife of Leo Gaffney, formerly of Larkfield. Funeral took place on Friday 3rd July in Boston.

May they rest in the Peace and Love of God in Heaven. Amen.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Mondays (see Killargue);** Tuesday at 9.30am; Wednesday 9.30am; Friday at 8.00pm; Sunday at 11.15am.
2. **Pray for:**
David Purvis, Rose Cottage, Dromahair. Memorial Mass on Sunday 12th July at 11.15am.
The People of the Parish. Mass on Tuesday 14th July at 9.30am.
Available for Intention. Mass on Wednesday 15th July at 9.30am.
Thomas & Nora Sweeney. Drumkeel. Mass on Friday 17th July at 8.00pm.
Zoey Rose Feehily. Drumlease. Mass on Sunday 19th July at 11.15am.
May they Rest in Peace.
3. **Liturgy for July: Readers** - Sadie Foley & Volunteer; **Collectors** - Tony Maguire & Tom Conlon.
Altar Society - Mary McMahan.

CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

Mass: Thursday at 8.00pm; Sunday at 10.00am.

1. **Pray for:**

Available for Intention. Mass on Sunday 12th July at 10.00am.

Available for Intention. Mass on Thursday 16th July at 8.00pm.

Mickey Loughlin. Gortnaskeagh. Mass on Sunday 19th July at 10.00am.

May they Rest in Peace.

2. **Liturgy for July: Reader** - Eddie Mullarkey; **Collectors** - John Loughlin & Charlie McDermott.
Altar Society – Mary Darcy.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass: Monday at 7.00pm;** Saturday (Vigil Mass) at **8.00pm.**

2. **Pray for:**

Jim Kelly, Gortgarrigan, & his parents **Thomas & Kate Ann Kelly.** Anniv. Mass on Saturday 11th July at 8.00pm.

Deceased Members of The Slevin Family, Lemascally, & **The McTernan Family,** Gurteen. Mass on Monday 13th July at 7.00pm.

Francis & Bridget McTernan, Mullaghmore & their daughter **Alice Brennan,** Pennsylvania, U.S.A., & **Mary Ellen McTernan.** Mass on Saturday 18th July at 8.00pm.

May they Rest in Peace.

3. **Liturgy for July: Reader** - Silé Boles; **Collectors** - Michael Hannon & Donal Gallagher; **Altar Society** – Bernadette Walpole.
4. **The Rosary** - is recited every Monday evening after 7.00pm Mass. St. Pio Novena Prayers are recited at Mass on the 1st Monday of each month.

RECEIPTS FOR 2019: On behalf of the Finance Committee, I thank you for your generosity and kindness towards the parish in these difficult times. Receipts for your contributions for 2019 were posted out during the week. If your contribution exceeds €250, there was also be a **CHY3 Tax form** enclosed. I would ask if you could complete and sign this form and please return it back to the parish. This form allows the parish to claim back tax paid on your donation during 2019. This will be an important source of income for the parish.

The Blessing of the Graves: The diocesan office has advised that there should not be any public blessing of the graves ceremonies this year due to Covid-19. It would be extremely difficult to maintain 'Social Distancing'. Fr Paul accompanied by two others, will bless the graves of the cemetery's in the parish. **This blessing will take place in the three cemeteries in Killargue no earlier than week commencing 5th July and in the two cemeteries in Newtownmanor no earlier than week commencing 3rd August.** This indicative timeframe will give an opportunity to have the cemeteries and individual plots tidied up in advance. When completed, it will be highlighted in the weekly bulletin. There will be special prayer ceremonies for our 'Faithful Departed' during the month of November. **More details later.**

On Monday 29th June 2020 – the Feast of Saints Peter & Paul, the Papal Nuncio to Ireland – His Excellency Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, announced at Mass in the Cathedral in Cavan, the appointment by Pope Francis of **Fr Martin Hayes, a priest of the Archdiocese of Cashel & Emly, as the new Bishop of Kilmore.** This is great news for our diocese, and we thank God for it. Please remember Fr Martin in your prayers as he prepares for his episcopal ordination in September of which there will be more details later.

On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council, I thank you for your co-operation and your understanding in these difficult. Thank you for following the guidelines posted on our notice boards. I would like to thank the teams of volunteers who prepare the churches for each Mass. Lets' continue to pray for each other and for those who have lost loved ones. Remember, together we can do it. ---**Fr Paul.**

Trócaire Boxes/envelopes: A sincere 'Thank You' to all who have returned their Lenten contributions. If there are any remaining donations to be returned, just let us know at any of our Parishes Masses. Thank you.

For everyone's safety, please note the procedures will apply in the Parish until further notice:

- ***The dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day obligation to attend Mass still applies until further notice.**
- ***Due to the Social Distancing guidelines, the capacity of each church will be greatly reduced.**
- ***The capacity of each church** will be displayed on church doors.
- ***We cannot exceed this figure. We sincerely apologise in advance to those, who may not get into the Church for mass because of these reduced numbers. (There will be weekday Masses)**
- ***Please do not attend Sunday Mass if you are unwell.**
- *It is advisable to **wear a mask. -----and to dispose of it at home. PLEASE.**
- ***Use hand sanitizers** at entrance to church. There will be no Holy Water in the fonts.
- ***You will be greeted and assisted by a member of the hospitality team.**
- *Missalettes will not be available. If you take a parish bulletin, please bring it home.
- ***Please wait to be shown to your seat.**
- * **Families that live in the same house** can share the one seat. This will increase the number of people overall that can be safely accommodated in the church.
- ***All attending Mass are to be seated.** Standing at the rear, in the aisles or near the doors is prohibited.
- ***There will be no sign of peace** during mass.
- ***Please wait for ushers to direct you forward for holy-communion and when departing Mass.** Those coming forward **for Holy Communion**, must come in single file, following the one-way system while respecting social distancing.
- ***The Priest and the Eucharistic Minister**, having sanitized their hands will wear a face covering while distributing Holy Communion.
- ***Everyone should receive in their hands.**
- ***For contributions** to the parish, **a basket will be available as you enter the church.** (*Those with envelopes accumulated over the last three months, can drop them into the baskets as you enter the church*).
- ***The Churches are cleaned after every liturgy.**
- ***For weekday Mass**, please be seated within the designated area. Social distancing guidelines must also apply. The usual parish weekday mass.
