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Sunday 16th January 2022 – The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

The Best Wine

John was always attacking Joe about his religious beliefs and practices. Joe took it all in good spirits. John was really annoyed that his intellectual arguments were getting him nowhere.

One day in desperation he tackled Joe about Jesus, asking him if he had ever seen one single sign of evidence of Jesus' presence in his life. He scornfully referred to Cana and asked Joe about the chances of Jesus turning a glass of water into wine.

Joe smiled. He himself had been a chronic alcoholic earlier in life before he met John, and John was unaware of that. Joe simply said, '*I don't want Jesus to turn water into wine. When I really needed him, I fell on my knees and asked for help*, and he turned wine back into water for me.

That was miracle enough for me because it certainly was something I myself could never have done. There was a time when I would have died for wine, and killed for wine, but thanks to Jesus all of that hell and misery is completely in the past. The miracle continues because today I would prefer one drop of water to a whole barrel of wine.

The 'best wine' is neither wine nor water, but the joy that comes from knowing that Christ is present and active in our lives

Catholic Schools Week 2022

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated in schools across the island of Ireland from Sunday 23rd January – Sunday 30th January. The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2022 is 'Catholic Schools: Living Life to the Full'.

During Catholic Schools Week families, parishes and schools are invited to participate in a week of celebration of Catholic schools, *reflecting on their contribution to the common good of society.*

Recently Deceased: **Dick Hickey**, Tramore, whose funeral took place in Holy Cross Church, Tramore on Tuesday 11th January. **Jimmy Kelly**, Dublin & formerly of Townahoosey, Killargue, whose funeral took place on Wednesday last – 12th January. **Teresa Casey (nee Rooney)**, Beaconsfield, London. Sister of Noel Rooney, Main St., Dromahair, who died recently. **Robert Johnston**, Kilmore, Fivemilebourne, whose funeral took place in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair on Wednesday 5th January.

May they rest in the peace and love of God.

Kilmore Diocese Apostolic Work Missions Fundraising Draw: The December monthly draw took place recently. **First prize** was won by Gemma Malanophy, Kinawley, Co. Fermanagh; **Second prize** was won by Bernadette Shannon, Belturbet, Co. Cavan.

Thanks again for your support.

18th -25th January Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

It was the great desire of Jesus, the night before his Passion and Death, that all his disciples be united as one, and each year from 18-25th January, the Church prays in particular for this desire of Jesus. This year the theme for the Week of Prayer is: "**We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him.**"

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **No Mass on Monday's;** Wednesday at **9.30am**; Friday at **8.00pm**; Sunday at **11.15am**.
2. **Pray for:**
Mary Loughlin. Drumlease. **Margaret McGoldrick,** Kilcoosey. Mass on Sunday 16th January at 11.15am.
Special Intention. Mass on Wednesday 19th January at 9.30am.
John & Bridget Burke & family, Margaret, John Joe & Paul. Mass on Fri 21st Jan at 8.00pm.
Tom Conlon, Aughameelta, *Months Memory Mass.* **Francis & Bridget O'Connor,** Shriff.
Anniversary Mass on Sunday 23rd January at 11.15am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for January:** Readers – Paul Jordan & Mary Brodie; Collectors – Pdraig Watters & Kevin McGoldrick; Altar Society – Rosaleen Maguire & Joey Kelly.

CHURCH OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass:** Thursday at **8.00pm**; Sunday at **10.00am**.
2. **Pray for:**
Available for Intention. Mass on Sunday 16th January at 10.00am.
Available for Intention. Mass on Thursday 20th January at 8.00pm.
Available for Intention. Mass on Sunday 23rd January at 10.00am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for January:** Readers – Martina Feeney & Deirdre McGourty; Collectors – Jim Banks & Volunteer; Altar Society – Bernie Boylan & Hazel Curry.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass:** Tuesday at **8.00pm (followed by Rosary)**; Saturday (Vigil Mass) at **8.00pm**.
2. **Pray for:**
John McGowan, Gretnafarna, & **Deceased Family Members.** Mass on Saturday 15th January at 8.00pm.
Available for Intention. Mass on Tuesday 18th January at 8.00pm.
Sr. Gretta Kelleher S.A., Graymoor, New York, & Drumkeeran and **Deceased of the Kelleher & McMorro** families. Mass on Saturday 22nd January at 8.00pm.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for January:** Readers – Josie Feeney & Volunteer; Collectors – Tommy Gallagher; Altar Society – Marianne Feeney.

The Irish Catholic

Copies of The Irish Catholic are available at the back of each church – Price €2.50. The Irish Catholic is Ireland's biggest and best-selling religious newspaper. The newspaper, published weekly, provides a lively mix of news, analysis and informed commentary about the Church and social issues as they affect Ireland and the wider world.

Community Notices:

Dromahair Active Age: The Active Age Group resumed on Wednesday 12th January 2022, from 10.30am to 12.30pm. New members are most welcome. Contact Mary – 086 3408235.

Leitrim County Council - Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme 2021/2022: This scheme aims to encourage the cutting of roadside hedges /trees along the public road network. Please note that it is the responsibility of landowners/property owners to cut roadside hedges/trees. The Grant is €75 per km of roadside hedge/overhanging trees which are cut back. The minimum length of roadside hedges is 1km per application. Application forms and full details on the Leitrim County Council Website www.leitrimcoco.ie also from the Roads Department of Leitrim County Council – Telephone No. 071 9620005 Ext. No. 617. Closing Date for receipt of completed applications for this Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme is Monday 31st January, 2022.

Congratulations and well done to Kevin Comiskey, Doonkelly, on his election as Chairperson to the I.F.A. National Sheep Committee. We wish him the best of luck and its great to have a local person representing farmers at the highest level.

