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16th April 2023 – 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Divine Mercy Novena

The Novena concludes with a Holy Hour in Dromahair Church today - Divine Mercy Sunday, from 3.00pm to 4.00pm. Everyone welcome. Sincere thanks to all who are praying the Novena.

Trócaire

<u>Sincere thanks to everyone who have already returned their Trócaire contributions/envelopes.</u> For those who have yet to contribute, please do so by next weekend, if possible. We would like to send your contributions to Trócaire soon, so that those most in need in the <u>Third World</u> can benefit from your generosity.

Please convert any small change into notes and larger coins. Thank you.

A Sincere 'Thank You' to the Sacristans, Altar Societies and everyone who helped in any way to prepare and decorate our churches for Easter. Thanks also to all who participated in the various liturgies of Holy Week & Easter. *Míle Buíochas agus Beanacht Dé!* Fr Paul.

Kilmore Diocese Apostolic Work Missions Fundraising Draws

The results of the March Monthly Draw are as follows: 1^{st} Prize of €200.00 was won by - E. Smith, Cavan; 2^{nd} Prize of €100.00 was won by - A. Coyle, Cavan; Two 3^{rd} Prizes of €50.00 were won by - F.F. Ludden, Cavan, and A. Martin, Derrylin. Your support for this worthy cause is greatly appreciated.

Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - 2023

Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Bishop Martin Hayes 2nd June for five nights. Direct Flights from Knock to Lourdes. For all enquiries and bookings please contact: Cavan Travel, 15 Main Street Cavan Tel:049 4361222 Email: info@cavantravel.com. This year we are delighted to bring Assisted Pilgrims. Applications to Fr. Tom Mannion PP, Pilgrimage Director, Ballinaglera, Co. Leitrim. Telephone 087 9170879. Limited number of places available.

The <u>Sacrament of Confession</u> is such a great gift! So many ask why we must confess our sins to a priest, but in Confession we truly come face to face with Jesus incarnate, "hidden in the priest." Jesus enfleshed, meets us in a truly human moment. He once more enters the physical world. We hear the sound of <u>His voice</u> in the words of absolution. "I absolve you in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit." In a single moment, our relationship to God is restored, and we are welcomed by our community of His children here on earth.

Moreover, **through God's mercy**, if we humbly confess our sins and desire to change, we are fully forgiven of all of our sins! Not only, do we leave the confessional forgiven, but *God's grace received from the sacrament* helps us to become better people and can give us the courage and ability to turn away from our sins.

Every time we participate in the sacraments, God pours forth "a ray" of His "merciful grace". This summer, I encourage you to seek more opportunities to "set ajar the door" to your heart by participating more frequently in the sacraments. Consider attending daily Mass or receiving the sacrament of Confession more often. Through God's mercy, the sacraments give us grace to become better people.

<u>Recently Deceased:</u> **Sr. Mary Collette Kelly**, formerly of Gortnaskeagh, who died on Friday 7th April, in Mount Carmel Convent, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary. Funeral took place on Monday 10th April.

May she Rest in Peace. Amen.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

- 1. Mass: No Mass on Monday's; Wednesday at 9.30am; No Mass on Fri at 8pm; Sunday at 11.15am.
- 2. Pray for:

Mary Ellen & Pee Ward, Drumlease. Sean & Terrie McGowan, Market Street. Anniversary Mass on Sunday 16th April at 11.15am.

Available for Intention. Mass on Wednesday 19th April at 9.30am.

No Mass on Friday 21st April at 8.00pm.

Nancy Healy, nee McQuaid, Kilmore, First Anniversary Mass on Sunday 23rd April at 11.15am. *May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.*

3. <u>Liturgy for April: Reader</u> – Daithí Meehan & Anna Sweeney; <u>Collectors - Padraig Watters & Noel Rooney. Altar Society</u> - Catherine Haddow, Josephine Sweeney & Eileen Clinton.

CHURCH OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

- 1. Mass: Thursday at 8.00pm (Adoration 8.30pm to 9.00pm); Sunday at 10.00am.
- 2. Pray for:

Eddie & Clara Boylan, Cornalaughta. Anniversary Mass on Sunday 16th April at 10.00am. Special Intention. Mass on Thursday 20th April at 8.00pm (Adoration 8.30pm to 9.00pm).

John P. (Sony) Reynolds, & Dec family members. Carrickfad. Mass on Sun 23rd April at 10am. May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.

3. <u>Liturgy for April</u>: <u>Reader</u> - Frank Dolan; <u>Collectors</u> - P.J. Martin & Volunteer; <u>Altar Society</u> - Kathy McMorrow & Lily Dolan.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

- 1. Mass: Tuesday at 8.00pm (Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm); Saturday (Vigil) Mass at 8.00pm.
- 2. Pray for:

Paddy O'Hara, Sheskin. Pat & Margaret O'Hara, Shanacranaghy. Pat Kerins (Snr.) & Pat Kerins (Jnr.), Sox Line. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 15th April at 8.00pm.

Special Intention. Mass on Tuesday 18th April at 8.00pm (Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm).

Deceased of the Slevin Family, Lemascally and the **McTernan Family,** Gurteen. **Bernard & Bridget Dolan,** Corrasra. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 22nd April at 8.00pm.

May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.

- 3. <u>Liturgy for April: Readers</u> Rosaleen Dolan & Volunteers; <u>Collectors</u> Joe McTernan & Tony Feeney <u>Altar Society</u> Martina Hannon & Marie Sheridan.
- 4. The Commissioning Ceremony for the new Eucharistic Ministers will take place at the Vigil Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday, this Saturday 15th April at 8.00pm. Thanks to everyone involved.

Newtownmanor Church Roof Restoration: Work to replace the church roof will commence in the first week of May. The contractor is P & N Kelly Construction. Roof replacement and associated works will take approximately six weeks to complete, weather dependent. During this period the church will be closed to the public. Arrangements for Sunday Mass during the closed period will be announced later. Fr Paul would like to thank those who put their names forward to help set up the hall for Mass. Since there is good help available, Fr Paul has spoken with the Hall Committee and the hall is available. Thanks again to everyone who will help out, if you like to give a hand, let us know!

Dromahair Bingo: REMINDER: An evening has been planned for everyone directly involved with the bingo over the years which will take place on Friday evening next, <u>21st April at 7pm in the Riverbank</u>. The committee are; (Ann Dolan, Terence McDermott, Elizabeth Comiskey, Pat Dolan & Fr Paul). If you haven't given your name yet, please do so as soon as possible. We need exact numbers by Tuesday, 18th April.

Newtownmanor Community Development Company are holding an open meeting in Newtownmanor Hall on Monday, April 17th at 8pm. All members of the local and surrounding areas are encouraged to attend, and bring with them ideas about what they think the priorities and challenges for the Newtownmanor area are over the next 5-10 years. We have a fabulous community and amenities... let's make the most of them for all members, young and old!

Dromahair Ladies GAA Annual Cake Sale and Raffle is taking place this Sunday 16th April in the Depot after Mass. Your support will be greatly appreciated as this is the club's main fundraiser.

Dromahair Development Association/Tidy Towns AGM: Dromahair Development Association/Tidy Towns are holding their AGM in The Depot on Tuesday April 25th at 8.30pm. Everyone welcome.