

## ***Dromahair ~ Killargue ~ Newtownmanor***

### **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December ~ The Third Sunday of Advent.**

We are currently celebrating the ***Season of Advent*** and a ***New Church Year*** ~ a time of new hope, an opportunity to change for the better.

This **Third Sunday of Advent** is called ***Gaudete Sunday*** ~ a time to rejoice as the ***Birth of Our Saviour*** draws near.

Every year **Drumlease Parish Church & St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair** join for a **Community Christmas Carol Service.**

This year's **Community Christmas Carol Service** takes place today, **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013** in **Drumlease Parish Church** starting at **6.30pm sharp.**

All welcome.

### **GENERAL / CHURCH NOTICES.**

[A] **A Date for your Diary:** The ***Christmas Communal Service of Reconciliation / Penitential Service*** for all 3 parish areas will take place in Dromahair Church next **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00pm.**

***Please leave place in your schedule for this important preparation for Christmas.***

Let us make this event a gentle encounter with God's mercy and love.

**There is a Penitential Service in Drumkeeran Church at 8.00pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.**

[B] **Trócaire:** Returns comparing collections for 2012 & 2013 for each parish in the Diocese can now be viewed on your church notice - board.

**Trócaire says thanks for your generous and loyal support in difficult times**

[C] The **Mission Collection** ~ held at the end of October ~ raised the following amounts:

**Dromahair ~ €725 [€770]; Killargue ~ €490 [€535]; Newtownmanor ~ €370 [€305].**

**Grand Total ~ €1,585 [€1,610].** Amounts for last year are given in brackets.

[D] **First Friday:** Visitation of the sick/housebound will continue during the week. All will be contacted beforehand.

[E] ***We remember:*** **Patrick Hopper**, Sweetwood, Killargue, whose funeral took place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December & **Dominic McGrath, Sligo** (father of **Natasha Brennan**, The Acres) whose funeral took place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

***May they rest in peace!***

### **ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR.**

1. **Mass: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am; Friday 8.00pm; Sunday 11.15am.**

2. **Pray for:-**

**Jossie, Cassie & Sean Mc Morrow**, St. Joseph's, Market St, Anniversary Mass Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 11.15am.

**Tom Gilmartin**, Mass Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30 am.

**Kitty Diamond**, Drumlease, Anniversary Mass Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00pm.

**Joe Toolan**, Rockvalley and **deceased family members**, Anniversary Mass Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 11.15am.

***May they rest in peace!***

### **CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR.**

1. **Mass: Sunday 10.00am.**

2. **Pray for:-**

**All the Faithful Departed**, Mass Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am.

**Teresa Loughlin**, Moragh, Anniversary Mass Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 10.00am.

***May they rest in peace***

**ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE.**

1. **Mass: Monday & Wednesday 7.00pm; Saturday Evening ~ Vigil Mass ~ 7.00pm..**

2. **Pray for:-**

**Margaret & John James Kelly**, Lisgorman, Anniversary Mass Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm.

**Felix, Annie & John Mc Tiernan**, Leamsally, Anniversary Mass Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm.

**Joe & Mary Boles, Killargue; John & Mary Boles**, Lincolnshire and **Jim Boles**, Killargue, Mass Saturday 21st December at 7.00pm.

***May they rest in peace!***

3. **Eucharistic Adoration:** Killargue Church on Tuesday evenings from **7.00pm - 8.00pm.**

**Padre Pio Novena ~ First Tuesday of every month.**

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**Community Notices**

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1. **Bingo: Every Monday night at 9.00pm in The Blue Devon.**

All lines €30, except games 5 &10 which are €50. All houses €100 and last game €200. **Your support is much appreciated!**

2. **Progressive 25 Card Game ~ Newtownmanor Hall:** Continues every Friday night at 9.00pm.

New faces, young and old, are most welcome. Come along for a night of good fun!

3. **Zumba Dancing every Friday in the Depot from 7.15pm – 8.15pm.** Contact Amanda on 086 8770525 for details.

4. **Leckaun N.S. Recipe Book:** On sale today Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Cost ~ €12 each. Please support. **This book was designed by Leckaun N.S. pupils.**

5. **Dromahair Library ~ Opening Times: Tuesdays** ~ 12.30pm – 6.00pm with a break from 4.00pm – 4.30pm. Also open on **Fridays** from 2.30pm – 8.00pm with a break from 4.00pm – 4.30pm. All new releases for Christmas ~ for children and adults ~ available. Kids' Bookclub starts in January 2014. **The Library is closed on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Eve and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December.**

6. **Leckaun N.S. ~ Nativity Play ~ Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm in Newtownmanor Hall.**

**All welcome. Admission Free.**

7. **Glencar Christmas Dip in aid of the Irish Kidney Association:** At 11.30am on Christmas Day at Glencar Lake Boathouse.

Donations can be made on the morning of the event or can be given to Geraldine Loughlin 086 0566156 or Pat Healy 087 9274435.

8. **The Depot, Dromahair is available for birthday parties, cake sales and meetings.** There is seating for up to sixty people.

Rates are very reasonable. Tea and coffee facilities are also available.

The **Meeting Room** upstairs is also available for hire and holds about 10 people. Details from the **Depot Office at 071- 9134986.**

The office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday mornings from 9.45am -1.30pm.

Services available include photocopying ~ colour & black and white ~ laminating, internet access, typing and faxing.

**Thanks to all who contributed to the Sunday Offertory Collections, various other Church Collections and the Dues during 2013.**

**Offertory Collection** = Day-to-Day upkeep of each Church, repair & refurbishment of parish buildings, churches and the **running expenses of the relevant parish area** during the year.

The Offertory Collection also makes a **major** contribution in topping up the shortfall in the **Diocesan Services Collection** from the parish.

**Dues** = Support and up-keep of priests in the parish and Diocese.

**If you want to disobey God, seek a place where he cannot see you. Arab Proverb.**

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The Resurrection that awaits us beyond physical death will be but the glorious completion of the risen life which we already have in Christ.

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**Most people want to be delivered from temptation but would like it to keep in touch.**