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Dromahair ~ Killargue ~ Newtownmanor

Sunday 16th December 2012 ~ Third Sunday of Advent

We are currently celebrating the **Season of Advent** ~ a time of new hope, an opportunity for renewal.
This Third Sunday of Advent is called **Gaudete Sunday** ~ a time to rejoice
as the **Birth of Our Saviour** draws near.

The **Community Christmas Carol Service** will take place in **St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair**
today, **Sunday 16th December** at **6.30pm**.

We welcome the parishioners of **Drumlease Parish Church** who join us again this year.
People of all persuasions and no particular persuasion are also most welcome!

Advance Notice ~ Times for Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve ~ Monday 24th December 2012
Newtownmanor ~ **7.00pm**; Killargue ~ **9.00pm**; Dromahair ~ **10.00pm**

Christmas Day ~ Tuesday 25th December 2012
Newtownmanor ~ **10.00am**; Killargue ~ **10.30am** & Dromahair ~ **11.15am**.

GENERAL / CHURCH NOTICES.

[A] The Christmas **Communal Service of Reconciliation / Penitential Service** for all parish areas will take place in
Dromahair Church on Tuesday 18th December at 8.00pm.
Please leave place in your schedule for this important preparation for Christmas.

[B] **Choir Practice ~ Newtownmanor:** Thursday 20th December at 8.30pm.
New members are needed and are most welcome.

[C] **First Friday:** Some Visitation for December has still to take place. All still to be visited will be contacted beforehand.

[D] **We remember:** **James Doherty, Geaglum, Creevelea** whose funeral took place on Wednesday 11th December.
May he rest in peace.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR.

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

2. **Pray for:-**

Annie Kelly, Drumkeeran, London & Dromahair & **deceased family**, Anniversary Mass Sunday 16th December at 11.15am.

John Joe Travers, Fawn and Kilkenny, Mass Monday 17th December at 9.30am.

Tom and Mary McFadden, Alice & Sr. Beatrice and deceased family, Mass Wednesday 19th December at 9.30am.

Kitty Diamond, Drumlease, Anniversary Mass Friday 21st December at 8.00pm.

James & Molly Edwards and Harry Beaumont, Anniversary Mass Sunday 23rd December at 11.15am.

May they rest in peace!

THE CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR

1. **Mass:** *Thursday 8.00pm; Sunday ~ 10.00am.*

2. **Pray for:-**

Paddy Eames, Moragh, Mass Sunday 16th December at 10.00am

Deceased of Manor area, Mass Thursday 20th December at 8.00pm.

Teresa Loughlin, Moragh, Anniversary Mass Sunday 23rd December at 10.00am.

May they rest in peace!

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE.

1. **Mass: Saturday ~ Vigil Mass ~ 7.00pm.** For Masses earlier in the week, see Dromahair.
2. **Pray for:-**
Rose McMorrow, Cunnion & deceased family members, Mass Saturday 15th December at 7.00 pm.
Martha Malagutti (née Hamilton), Corrasra & New York, Mass Saturday 22nd December at 7.00pm.
May they rest in peace!
3. **Eucharistic Adoration** continues as usual in Killargue on **Tuesday** evenings from 7pm – 8pm.
Padre Pio Novena ~ First **Tuesday** of every month.

Community Notices.

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 appreciated!***
2. **Jim O' Boyle ~ Memorial Card Game ~ Manor Hall, this Friday night, 21st December, at 9.00pm.**
Spot Prizes and Raffles. Refreshments also served! **All proceeds in aid of North – West Hospice.** Do come along.
3. **Set Dancing Class:** On Thursdays in Newtownmanor Hall from 8.30pm – 10.30pm. All welcome. Enjoyable and great fun!
4. **John Kelly of the Riverbank Restaurant, Dromahair** will present a **Festive Cookery Demonstration** for the general public in Lough Allen College, Drumkeeran on **Monday 17th December at 8.00pm.** Tickets €10. Proceeds in aid of Transition Year Class.
5. **Dromahair Development Association ~ Christmas Draw:** This Saturday 15th December in The Blue Devon. Lots of prizes. Tickets available from the Committee and Local businesses. Funds will go towards the provision of a footpath from the OPW to the Community Park. Please support.
6. **Calendar 2013 ~ Leckaun N.S.** Thanks to all who gave their support last Sunday.
7. **St. Vincent de Paul: Parish Church Gate Collection:** Thanks to all who supported this collection last, Saturday 8th & Sunday 9th December. If you would still like to make a contribution, please place it in an envelope marked **St. Vincent de Paul** and place it in the collection basket next Sunday or hand it in to the Parochial House during the week. Thanks for your generosity.
8. **North West Hospice Support Group:** Thanks to all who supported the Annual Coffee Morning held in the Depot on 20th September. A total of **€745.72** was raised.
9. **The Board of Management & Parents' Association of Drumlease N.S. thank sincerely all who supported the Race Night on Friday 7th December.** A special word of thanks to our generous sponsors and parents who gave their support.
10. **Glencar Christmas Day Dip:** At 11.30am at the Boat House on Glencar Lake on Christmas Day in aid of the **Irish Kidney Association.** To get a Sponsorship Card or give a Donation please contact **Geraldine Loughlin** at 086 0566156 or **Alan Healy** 087 9728026. Your support is appreciated.
11. **Fundraising Bazaar in aid of the Mary Philbin Fund:** At 8.00pm on Friday 21st December in the Bee Park Community Centre, Manorhamilton. Your support is appreciated.

Thanks to all who contributed to the Sunday Offertory Collections, various other Church Collections and the Dues during 2012.

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.

Those who wish to sing, always find a song! Swedish Proverb..

There was a little Indian girl at school today, announced the young boy when he returned home.
Does she speak English? his mother enquired.

No, came the reply, ***But it doesn't matter because she laughs in English!***

Love is a glass that shatters if you hold it too tightly or too loosely. Russian Proverb.