

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE - NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 17th March 2024 – Lá Fhéile Pádraig (St. Patrick's Day)

Trócaire Boxes are available at the back of each church. Please take one home.

St. Patrick's Day Collection

Your contribution will help **(1)** St Paul's Missionary Society, a number of whom work here in Kilmore diocese. **(2)** support Irish Missionaries working in African countries **(3)** provide support to the Irish Emigrant Chaplaincy abroad. We would appeal for your continued generosity in this year's collection. In 2023, Drumlease – Killargue Parish contributed €1,547.00.

Saint Patrick - Patron of Ireland.

It would no doubt take **the modest St Patrick**, by surprise to know how widely his feast is celebrated and marked! We know something of the man himself from the few documents which have come down to us. His return to those who enslaved him shows great character; even more outstanding is his commitment to Jesus Christ, the Scriptures (his writings are full of allusions), and to his calling as apostle and evangelist. The spark of faith has shone among the Irish, sometimes brightly, sometimes dimly, ever since.

Let us mark the feast with thanksgiving and renewed faith.

Next Sunday - 24th March is Palm/Passion Sunday

Vigil Mass in Killargue on Saturday 23rd March at **8.00pm**

Mass on Sunday 24th March in Newtownmanor at **10.00am** and in Dromahair at **11.15am.**

(Palm branches will be blessed at all Masses and the Passion according to St. Mark will be read.)

A special community celebration of the sacrament of 'Forgiveness' will take place at all our **Palm/Passion Sunday Masses on Saturday 23rd March & Sunday 24th March,** to celebrate the importance of 'Forgiveness' and to receive absolution for Easter. Please pass the word around.

If anyone would like individual confessions, please let Fr Paul know at any time.

Statements of Parishioner Contributions – 2023: Statements will be available for collection in all three churches, from this weekend. **If you received a CHY3 (yellow form) with your statement and you are a TAXPAYER,** I encourage you to complete and return the form in the envelope provided, **either with the Offertory Collection at Mass, or directly to the Parochial House,** so that the parish can submit a tax reclaim to Revenue, as soon as possible. On behalf of the Parish Finance Committee, I wish to thank you for your continued financial support to your church and to me, which is very much appreciated.

Míle Buíochas.

March Visitation of the Sick and Housebound: Fr Paul will visit the sick and housebound on **Tuesday week - 26th March, during Holy Week.** If you know someone who would like a visit and is not currently on the First Friday visitation list, please let him know. Telephone: 071-9164143.

Newtownmanor Community Development – Family Fun Table Quiz: Thursday 4th April at 7.00pm, in Newtownmanor Hall. Raffle and lots of Spot Prizes to be won. Light Refreshments served. All proceeds raised go towards Newtownmanor Community Development Group. **Your support would be appreciated.**

Irish Pilgrimage Trust Recent Church Gate Collection: €211.45 collected in Newtownmanor. Thank You.

Parish Pastoral Council: Meeting will take place this Tuesday, 19th March at 9pm in Fr Paul's house to help plan and prepare for the Easter ceremonies. All members please attend. Thanking you.

Recently Deceased: Nora McGuinness, Lisgorman, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday 8th March. Margaret Martyn (nee McTernan), sister of Pauline Egan, Dromahair, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Sunday 3rd March. Joe Donoghue, Killargue, and Brockley, London, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday 2nd March. **May they all Rest in Peace. Amen.**

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's;** Wed at 9.30am; Fri at 8.00pm; **Palm/Passion Sunday at 11.15am.**
2. **Pray for:**
Padraig Watters, Drumlease. **Peter Gilligan**, Mullies. **Mass on Sun 17th Mar (St. Patrick Day) at 11.15am.**
Liam Ryan, Tipperary. Mass on Wednesday 20th March at 9.30am.
Available for Intention. Mass on Friday 22nd March at 8.00pm.
Padraig Watters, Drumlease. **Philomena Clancy**, Ardakup More. **Mass on Palm/Passion Sunday - 24th March at 11.15am.**
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for March: Readers** – Sadie Foley & Carol Lasrado; **Collectors** - Michael McGoldrick, Frank McGowan & Bernadette Conlon; **Altar Society** – Susan Kivlehan & Pauline Egan.

CHURCH OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass:** Thurs at 8.00pm (**Adoration from 7.15pm to 8pm); Palm/Passion Sunday at 10.00am.**
2. **Pray for:**
Johnny Halpin, Dromahair. **James Fowley**, Corraghaun. **Mass on Sun 17th Mar (St. Patrick) at 10am.**
Special Intention. Mass on Thursday 21st March at 8.00pm (**Adoration from 7.15pm to 8.00pm).**
John Patrick Healy, Fawnlion & Sligo. **Betty McTernan**, Moragh. **Mary Alice Kelly**, Killargue. **Mass on Palm/Passion Sunday - 24th March at 10.00am.**
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for March: Readers** – Eileen & Patricia Cunningham; **Collectors** - Seamus Fowley & Cathal O'Conallain; **Altar Society** – Maggie McLoughlin & Deirdre/Lisa McGourty.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass:** Tues at 8.00pm (**Adoration from 7pm to 8pm); Sat (Vigil) for Palm/Passion Sunday) at 8pm.**
2. **Pray for:**
Bernadette Ryan (nee McHugh), New Jersey, U.S.A, and formerly Gortermone, Killargue. **Mass on Sat 16th Mar (Vigil for St. Patrick's Day) at 8pm.**
Mary Alice Kelly, Killargue, & **Special Intention.** Mass on Tues 19th Mar at 8pm (**Adoration 7pm-8pm).**
Jim, Thomas & Kate Ann Kelly, Gortgarrigan. **Nellie Mellett & Deceased Family Members.** (**Vigil) Mass for Palm/Passion Sunday on Saturday 23rd March at 8.00pm.**
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for March: Readers** – Aimee Harkin & Carmel Loughlin; **Collectors;** Vincent Feeney & Dessie Hannon; **Altar Society** – Josie Feeney.

Do you want to Fast this Lent?

Fast from hurting words and say kind Words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with Gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with Patience.
Fast from pessimism and be filled with Hope.
Fast from worries and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints, contemplate Simplicity.
Fast from pressure and be prayerful.
Fast from bitterness, fill your hearts with Joy.
Fast from selfishness and be Compassionate.

Leckaun N.S. Parents Association - Used Clothes Collection: Newtownmanor Hall on Thurs next - March 21st from 8.30pm to 9.30pm; **Cake Sale and Used Clothes Collection on Easter Sunday March 31st after 10.00am** **Mass.** Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Naomh Padraig Dromahair: Cake Sale & Raffle on Easter Sunday 31st March at 12 noon, in The Depot, Backline. **Please support.**