

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE - NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 21st May 2023 – Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

We congratulate the fifteen pupils from Drumlease N.S. and the nine pupils from Leckaun N.S. who received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Martin Hayes on Saturday 20th May in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair.

We also congratulate the sixteen pupils from Drumlease N.S. who received their First Holy Communion in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair, on Saturday 13th May.

We thank their parents, Fr Paul, their teachers, and the whole school community, who helped to prepare them for these special days.

May God bless them all as they continue on their faith journey.

During the month of May, a volunteer from the congregation will lead the Rosary before Saturday evening & Sunday morning Masses in all three churches: Those leading the Rosary are asked to begin a full twenty minutes before Mass. It would be nice if you could take a little time each day to recite the Rosary in honour of Our Blessed Virgin Mary.

Significant Dates in the Parish for 2023

Blessing and Visitation of Graves – Killargue & Cloonlougher Cemeteries: Sunday 25th June 2023.
Blessing and Visitation of Graves – Newtownmanor & Carrickatemple Cemeteries: Sunday 6th August 2023. More details to follow later.

Novena for Life

The Pray for Life Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Tuesday 23rd May to the Feast of the Visitation on Wednesday 31st May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit www.prayforlife.ie for the daily novena prayers which will also be posted on [facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena](https://www.facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena) and [@ChooseLifeIRL](https://twitter.com/ChooseLifeIRL) on Twitter. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver

The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver are visiting our parish next weekend – Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th May, to appeal on behalf of the missions. Sisters will speak at all three Masses about their work and any support from parishioners will be greatly appreciated. Donations can also be made electronically. The sisters bank details are as follows: AIB Bank, IBAN IE20 AIBK 9313 3019 2590 65.

Laudato Si' Week, 21st – 28th May 2023

Laudato Si' Week, May 21st - 28th 2023 celebrates the 8th Anniversary of the publication by Pope Francis of his encyclical on Care for our Common Home. The guiding theme this year is “*Hope for the Earth. Hope for humanity*”. There is hope. Pope Francis calls us to develop a “loving awareness” of this home we share and to act on the values we hold dear.

Newtownmanor Church is closed for renovations until the middle of June. Masses will be celebrated on Sundays at 10.00am in Newtownmanor Hall and on Thursdays at 8.00pm in Dromahair Church, during the closed period. Any Funeral Masses that may occur in the Newtownmanor area will be celebrated in either Dromahair or Killargue Churches.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's;** Wed at 9.30am; **Thurs at 8pm;** Friday at 8pm; Sunday at 11.15am.
2. **Pray for:**
Tom Devaney, Collooney & Corrigeeencor. Memorial Mass on Sunday 21st May at 11.15am.
Available for Intention. Mass on Wednesday 24th May at 9.30am.
Rosie Rooney, Letterkenny & Sligo. Birthday Remembrance Mass on Thur 25th May at 8.00pm.
Tony Flynn, Corrigeeencor. Anniversary Mass on Friday 26th May at 8.00pm.
Annie & Packie McKenna, Carrickacrochery. Anniv Mass on Sunday 28th May at 11.15am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for May: Readers** - Volunteers; **Collectors** - John McMorrow & Tommy Sweeney; **Altar Society** – Sadie Foley & Kathleen Power.

CHURCH OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass: Thursday (in Dromahair) at 8.00pm; Sunday (in Newtownmanor Hall) at 10.00am.**
2. **Pray for:**
Available for Intention. **Mass (in Newtownmanor Hall) on Sunday 14th May at 10.00am.**
Mass in Dromahair on Thursday 25th May at 8.00pm.
Available for Intention. **Mass (in Newtownmanor Hall) on Sunday 28th May at 10.00am.**
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for May: Liturgy for May: Readers** – Seamus Storey; **Collectors** - Hubert Loughlin & Paul McDermott; **Altar Society** - Bernadette & Marie Banks and Ann Marie Devaney.

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:**
Michael & Annie Flanagan, Sheskin. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 20th May at 8.00pm.
Hugh & Mary McGlinchey and Deceased Family Members. Mass on Tuesday 23rd May at 8.00pm
(Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm).
Thomas McGuinness & Deceased Family Members, Lisgorman. William & Margaret Harkin, Townahoosey. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 27th May at 8.00pm.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for May: Readers** – Christina & Shauna Loughlin; **Collectors** – John McMorrow & Seamus Reynolds; **Altar Society** – Bernadette Feeney & Patsy McGoey.

Placing the work of the Universal Synod under the protection of Our Lady – 31st May 2023

On behalf of the Holy Father, the Secretariat for the Universal Synod has invited local churches to hold a moment of Marian Prayer on **Wednesday 31st May (Feast of the Visitation and last day of the Marian Month of May)**, to place the work of the Synod, especially the upcoming assembly in October, under the protection of Our Lady.

A day of prayer has been organised at Knock Shrine, Ireland's International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine and the programme for the day is as follows:

- **11:00am – 11:45am:** Prayer Service in the Apparition Chapel (to include prayer to Our Lady of the Way, a decade of the rosary, and the placing of petitions at the feet of Our Lady).
- **12:00pm – 1:00pm:** Mass celebrated by Archbishop Francis Duffy in the Basilica.
- **1:00pm – 7:00pm:** Pilgrims and visitors will be invited to pray for the work of the Synod (prayer cards will be distributed on the day).
- **7:00pm – 8:00pm:** Rosary and Mass in Knock Parish Church.

Please note that the ceremonies in Knock Basilica and in Knock Parish Church are also available to view online via webcam.

The Leckaun Lotto Fundraiser Campaign: Leckaun National School has launched their School Fundraiser **“The Leckaun Lotto”**. The funds raised in this lotto will go towards the cost of a new Astro Pitch at the back of the school locally known as 'The Bank' and to fund resources for the school including sports equipment, classroom resources, dance classes, Science and Heritage events. To sign up click: <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/leckaunns> and click **‘Join’**. If you can contribute €5 for 3 lines, it would be hugely appreciated.

