

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE – NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 21st June 2020 – The 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Resumption of weekend Masses starts on Sat 4th and Sun 5th July (usual Rota applies)
Weekday Masses begin on Mon evening, **29th June at 7pm in Killargue.** (usual Rota) **For everyone's safety,** please note the following procedures will apply in the Parish until further notice.

Please note:

- ***The dispensation from the Sunday** and Holy Day obligation to attend Mass still applies until further notice.
- ***Due to the Social Distancing guidelines,** the capacity of each church **will be reduced.**
- ***The capacity of each church** will be displayed on church doors.
- ***We cannot** exceed this figure. **We sincerely apologise in** advance to those, who may not get into the Church for mass because of these reduced numbers. (There will be weekday Masses)
- *Please **do not attend Sunday Mass if you are unwell.**
- *It is advisable to **wear a mask.**
- ***Use hand sanitizers** at entrance to church. There will be no Holy Water in the fonts.
- ***You will be greeted and assisted by a member of the hospitality team.**
- *Missalettes will not be available. If you take a parish bulletin, please bring it home.
- ***Please wait to be shown to your seat.**
- * **Families that live in the same house** can share the one seat. This will increase the number of people overall that can be safely accommodated in the church.
- ***All attending Mass are to be seated.** Standing at the rear, in the aisles or near the doors is prohibited.
- ***There will be no sign of peace** during mass.
- ***Please wait for ushers to direct you forward for holy-communion and when departing Mass.** Those coming forward **for Holy Communion,** must come in single file, following the one-way system while respecting social distancing.
- ***The Priest and the Eucharistic Minister,** having sanitized their hands will wear a face covering while distributing Holy Communion.
- ***Everyone should receive in their hands.**
- ***For contributions** to the parish, **a basket will be available as you enter the church.** (*Those with envelopes accumulated over the last three months, can drop them into the baskets as you enter the church. Thank you.*)
- ***The Churches are cleaned after every liturgy.**
- ***For weekday Mass,** please be seated within the designated area. Social distancing guidelines must also apply. The usual parish weekday mass.

On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council, I thank you for your co-operation and your understanding in these difficult. Lets' continue to pray for each other and for those who have lost loved ones. Remember, together we can do it. ---**Fr Paul.**

Recently Deceased: **Eileen Carney,** Stonepark, Dromahair, whose funeral took place on Sunday 14th June.
Fr Martin Mulvaney, Kilglass, Rooskey and formerly Ballintogher. (Uncle of Alan O'Hara) whose funeral took place on Friday 12th June.

May they Rest in the Peace.

A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO all those who have dropped offertory, dues and their Trócaire contributions into my house or have given them to me in person. Your support and generosity towards the parish/Trócaire in these difficult times, is very much appreciated. Thanks again. Fr Paul.

RECEIPTS FOR 2019: On behalf of the Finance Committee, I thank you for your generosity and kindness towards the parish in these difficult times. Receipts for your contributions for 2019 will be posted out next week. If your contribution exceeds €250, there will also be a **CHY 3 Tax form**. You will be invited to complete and sign this form. Please return it back to the parish. You'll receive the guidelines for reopening Churches for Masses.

URGENT: OUR TROCAIRE BOXES ARE NEEDED: Every year Trócaire asks for your help during Lent to fund lifesaving programmes around the world. This year, of course, it was not possible to return Trócaire boxes through schools or parishes in the usual way. This is the worst possible timing coming just as the world's poorest people need us most. Therefore, Trócaire are appealing to you to return your Lenten donation. Simply count or estimate what is in your box and donate in the following ways:

1. Online at www.trocaire.org
2. By phone: 1850 408 408 (ROI) or 0800 912 1200 (NI)
3. By post to Trócaire, Maynooth, Co. Kildare (ROI) or Trócaire, 10 King Street, Belfast, BT1 6AD (NI)
4. Check with your local parish on how to safely return your donation.

The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Sunday or Weekday Mass until Tuesday 30th June at 9.30am.**

CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass: No Sunday or Weekday Mass until Thursday 2nd July at 8.00pm.**

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass: No Saturday (Vigil Mass) or Weekday Mass until Monday 29th June at 7.00pm.**
2. **Eucharistic Adoration: Cancelled until further notice.**
3. A sincere 'Thank you' to those to cut the grass in the Old Cemetery and to those who cut the grass in the Church Grounds, around the Parochial House and at the Holy Well. We welcome back the RSS workers who returned to work last week. Míle Buíochas.

Kilmore Diocesan 'Virtual' Pilgrimage to Knock will take place today – Sunday 21st of June

Pilgrims are welcome to join the afternoon ceremonies from their homes. The schedule for the afternoon will include the praying of the Rosary at 2.30pm, followed by Mass and Benediction at 3pm. In advance of the day, pilgrims may place their petitions online on the Knock Shrine website and these will be placed on the altar for the Mass. Many pilgrims light candles for loved ones and their intentions during their visit to Knock Shrine and this service is also available online. A candle will be lit at the outdoor candelabra for each request received. The pilgrimage will be streamed live on www.knockshrine.ie and Radio Maria (Saorview TV Channel 210) will also broadcast the pilgrimage.

The Blessing of the Graves: The diocesan office has **advised that there should not be any public blessing of the graves** ceremonies this year due to Covid-19. It would be extremely difficult to maintain 'Social Distancing'. Fr Paul accompanied by two others, will bless the graves of the cemetery's in the parish. This blessing will take place in the three cemeteries in Killargue no earlier than week commencing 5th July and in the two cemeteries in Newtownmanor no earlier than week commencing 3rd August. This indicative timeframe will give an opportunity to have the cemeteries and individual plots tidied up in advance. When completed, it will be highlighted in the weekly bulletin. There will be special prayer ceremonies for our '*Faithful Departed*' during the month of November. More details to follow.

How has COVID 19 Impacted Women's Lives? The NCCWN – North Leitrim Women's Centre are carrying out an online survey of women living in Leitrim. They want to hear from women about how the current COVID 19 situation has impacted on their lives and the lives of their families. The challenges facing women and what supports are needed for women now and as we emerge further from lockdown. They also want to hear if there are any positives or lessons we can learn from this time. To take part in this online survey go to their Facebook page NCCWN – North Leitrim Women's Centre, phone 071 9856220 or email info@northleitrimwomenscentre.ie for details.

