

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE - NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 23rd July 2023 – The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SOMETHING TO PONDER ON

On the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Pope Francis gives us an opportunity to detach from the seemingly new and immediate, *and to honor those who teach us another way*. The celebration falls on the fourth Sunday of July, the Sunday closest to the feast of *Ss Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus*. **This day is an occasion for us to slow down, to appreciate the wisdom of years past, and to thank those who have handed it down to us.** In short, it is a time to *receive and to give*. First, it is a time to receive and to appreciate all that they have given us. Many of us have wonderful memories of our grandparents. Maybe we recall a celebration or family tradition, **or perhaps simply their presence** in our lives. We might have a keepsake that reminds us of them, of the times we shared with them one-on-one, and of their love for us. **We treasure their stories and advice.** These things remind us of what we have received - and continue to receive - from them.

One thing we receive from them is perspective in the here and now. We live in turbulent times. We can focus so much on our current circumstances that we give them an outsized importance and perhaps think that we are alone in facing our challenges. **Our grandparents** and the elderly put things in perspective **and teach us** that we are not alone. They themselves struggled, suffered setbacks and sorrows, **but still found much joy** in their lives. By looking back and reflecting, we can see that they are able to offer us unparalleled advice and perspective. www.catholicherald.com

A Missionary Group from Bethlehem, The Holy Land, will be visiting this parish on the weekend of 29th and 30th of July – next weekend, to sell religious articles (Crucifixes, Rosary beads and Plaques) made out of olive wood in Bethlehem to help and support the poor Christians families, any help you could give them it will be highly appreciated.

Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock - will take place on Wednesday, the 9th of August 2023, the Feast of St Felim, the Patron Saint of the Kilmore Diocese. Ceremonies will begin at 2pm with the outdoor Stations of the Cross and Rosary Procession. **The Celebration of Mass and the Anointing of the Sick will take place at 3pm. Bishop Martin Hayes will be the Main Celebrant.** It would be great to have every parish represented on the day. To facilitate this, **A bus will go from Manorhamilton Church Carpark at 11am & (Leaving Knock at 5.30pm). Cost €10. If interested in bus, contact Fr Paul on 087-8171317.** Thank You.

Visitation & Blessing of Graves 2023

Newtownmanor: Sunday 6th August, beginning with Mass in Mary Mother of God Church, at **3.00pm**, followed by Blessing of Graves in **Newtownmanor Cemetery** immediately after Mass and continuing to **Carrickatemple Cemetery** for **4.30pm** approximately.

Please note there will be no 10.00am Mass in Newtownmanor Church on that day.

There is a Special Cemetery Collection Envelope in the Newtownmanor boxes. You may put your contribution in this envelope and hand it in at the **Cemetery Gates.** **Your contribution will go towards the upkeep of the cemeteries and also to help cover the short fall on Carrickatemple graveyard after works completed last year.** **Thank you for your generosity.**

Recently Deceased: **Cora Kelly**, Drumlease, Funeral to take place on Tuesday, 25th July in the Church of Ireland, Dromahair at 10.30am. **Edmond McQuaid**, Station Road, Dromahair, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Killenummery, on Thursday 13th July. **May they Rest in Peace. Amen.**

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's;** Wednesday at 9.30am; Friday at 8pm; Sun at 11.15am.

Pray for:

James Scott, Drumlease. **Months Memory.** **James & Mary Ellen McTernan**, their son **Seamus** and their grandson **Gary**, & **Zoey Rose Feehily**. Birthday Remembrance. Mass on Sun 23rd July at 11.15am.

Ann O'Boyle, Rathoath. Memorial Mass on Wednesday 26th July at 9.30am.

Special Intention. Mass on Friday 28th July at 8.00pm.

John Joe Speers, Memorial Mass on Sunday 30th July at 11.15am.

May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.

2. **Liturgy for July:** **Readers** - Sadie Foley & Volunteer; **Collectors** - Tony Maguire & Volunteer. **Altar Society** – Angela Flanagan & Christine Burns.

CHURCH OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass:** Thursday at 8pm; Sunday at 10.00am.

2. **Pray for:**

John James Fowley, Corraghaun. Anniversary Mass on Sunday 23rd July at 10.00am.

Mary Timoney, Belcoo. Memorial Mass on Thursday 27th July at 8.00pm.

Mai Devaney, Corrycullen. **Months Memory Mass** on Sunday 30th July at 10.00am.

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3. **Liturgy for July:** **Reader** - Eddie Mullarkey; **Collectors** - John Loughlin & Charlie McDermott; **Altar Society** – Mary Darcy & Breda Rooney.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass: Tuesday at 8.00pm (Adoration from 7.15pm to 8.00pm);** Saturday (Vigil) Mass at 8.00pm.

2. **Pray for:**

Tom & Mollie Hannon, Gortgarrigan. **Kathleen & Paddy Joe Gallagher**, Corderry. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 22nd July at 8.00pm.

Fr Eamon Lynch, on the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination. Mass on Tuesday 25th July at 8.00pm **(Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm).**

Mike, Mary & P.J. McKenna. 'The Rock', Cashel, Dromahair. Mass on Saturday 29th July at 8.00pm.

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3. **Liturgy for July:** **Readers** – Sile Boles & Ben Gilhooly; **Collectors** - Michael Hannon & Donal Gallagher; **Altar Society** – Bernadette Walpole.

O'Rourke's Table Official Opening: **Today Sunday 23rd July, setting off up the trail at 2.00pm,** followed by celebrations on the summit. Music by **Jay O'Dee Country Band. Gerard Butler Dance** plus local artists and dancers. **Special Guests - Maria Walsh M.E.P. & Nathan Carter.** Barbeque food on sale at the summit.

Admission is free but voluntary donations for the upkeep of the trail would be greatly appreciated.

DIY Classes in 'The Depot': We are hoping to start DIY Classes in The Depot Dromahair in September, if there is enough interest. Please contact us on 085-8017943 to register your interest. You can text your name and number and we will put you on our list.

A Summertime Prayer for Families to Recite Together.

Dear Lord, we ask your blessing upon our family. Protect us from harm, shelter us from evil. Teach us kindness. Show us compassion. Guide our steps and we will follow the path of goodness and light forever more. Amen

The valley lay smiling before me, Where lately I left her behind; Yet I trembled, and something hung o'er me, That sadden'd the joy of my mind. I look'd for the lamp which, she told me, Should shine when her Pilgrim return'd; But, though darkness began to unfold me, No lamp from the battlement burn'd!

