

Dromahair ~ Killargue ~ Newtownmanor

Sunday 23rd August 2009 ~ The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time.

GENERAL / CHURCH NOTICES.

- [A] **Special Collection for the Holy Land ~ Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th September:**
The background to this collection is that Christians in the Holy Land are facing a time of crisis. Within the last 40 years the proportion of Christians has plummeted from 20% to as little as 1.4%. Soon there will not be sufficient Christians to look after the Holy Places. Local Christians are ethnically Arab and so are treated as potentially hostile by the Israeli state, religious tours have practically ended in Palestinian areas, Bethlehem now has very few visitors, hotels have closed and the local economy has been devastated. The separation wall further isolates or imprisons local communities.
Again this year, the Diocese of Kilmore proposes to contribute half of the ordinary Offertory Collection from the first weekend in September ~ Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th September ~ to support our fellow Christians in the Holy Land. Other Dioceses have special collections each Good Friday. Your contribution ~ and do add a little extra ~ will assist in the upkeep of churches in Nazareth, Bethlehem & Jerusalem, schools in Bethlehem, homes for the elderly in Nazareth and parish centres. Do be generous!
- [B] **Diocese of Kilmore ~ Marriage Preparation Courses:** It is Diocesan policy that each couple attends an **ACCORD** Pre-Marriage Course. Facilitators giving these courses undergo continued in-service training and supervision. And the sacramental aspect of marriage receives appropriate attention. **It is a wise practice to do a course up to a year before the date of your marriage ~ a course only weeks before your wedding makes little sense!**
All couples are asked to note this request and make suitable & timely arrangements.
- [C] **Breifne Historical Society** ~ spanning the Diocese of Kilmore ~ **has set up an interesting new web - site. Check it out at: www.breifnehistory.com**
- [D] We remember: **Kathleen Mc Caughey, Elphin** [sister of Eileen Carney, Stonepark] whose funeral took place last Sunday. May she rest in peace.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR.

1. **Mass: Monday & Tuesday 9.30am; Wednesday 8.00pm; Friday 9.30am; Sunday 11.15am.**
2. Pray for:-
Patrick & Celia Mc Goldrick, Drumlease, daughter **Kathleen Shannon & John Kelleher**, Drumlease, Mass Sunday 23rd August at 11.15am.
Phyllis Keaveney, Killeen, Mass Monday 24th August at 9.30am.
Bill Cawley, Sligo, Mass Tuesday 25th August at 9.30am.
Molly Robertson, Woodlands Ave, Dromahair, **Jim & Annaleen Cunningham**, Magurk & deceased members of the **O'Neill & Cunningham families**, Mass Wednesday 26th August at 8.00pm.
Eddie & Mary Loughlin, Drumlease, Anniversary Mass Sunday 30th August at 11.15am.
May they rest in peace

CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR.

1. **Mass: Sunday 10.00am.**
2. Pray for:-
Mary Ellen Mc Loughlin, Sr. Eithne & Br. Nesson, Anniversary Mass Sunday 23rd August at 10.00am.
Mickey Loughlin, Gortnaskeagh, Month's Memory Mass Sunday 30th August at 10.00am.
May they rest in peace

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE.

1. **Mass: Friday 7.00pm; Saturday ~ Vigil Mass ~ 8.00pm.**
2. Pray for:-
Margaret Murphy, Killargue, Mass Saturday 22nd August at 8.00pm.
Deceased of the Gallagher family, Gortahork & **Feely family**, Tullinwillan, Mass Friday 28th August 7.00pm.
Joe Walpole, Corrasra, Anniversary Mass Saturday 29th August at 8.00pm.
May they rest in peace.

Community Notices.

- 1. Support your *Local Bingo* each Monday night in the *Blue Devon, Dromahair* at 9.00pm. Please note new venue.**
- 2. Dromahair Ladies GAA ~ Recession Sale:** Today, Sunday 23rd August, at **12.00 noon** in the Blue Devon, Dromahair. A large range of items ~ ***new & nearly new*** ~ will be on sale: *books, cd's, dvd's, clothes, jewellery*. Details from Deirdre 087 6734394 or Eileen 087 9021414.
- 3. School Uniforms for Drumlease N.S:** Now available at ***Manor Fashions***, Main St, Manorhamilton. Please order or re-order in good time by contacting Mary Mawn.
- 4. The *Health Service Executive* advises that all children starting school in September should be fully vaccinated with *4 in 1* and *MMR* prior to the start of term.** Contact ***Una Duffy***, Immunisation Nurse Specialist at ***087 - 9048781***.
- 5. Immunisation against Mumps for Leaving Cert Students and those going to College:** Walk – in clinic on Tuesday August 11th from 2pm – 4pm for a free MMR vaccine. Details from 071 - 9155122 or visit //http://www.mumps.ie.
- 6. Dromahair Defibrillator ~ Red Cross Group:** Annual Church Gate Collection 22nd/23rd August.
- 7. Newtownmanor Community Development Group:** Community / Family BBQ on Sunday 30th August in the vicinity of the Manor Hall. Roads affecting the immediate area will be closed but local diversions will be in operation so that very little inconvenience will be caused.
Next Meeting of Newtownmanor Development Group: Wednesday 19th August at 9.00pm.
- 8. Yoga Classes ~ Ard Na Hoo:** Starting Tuesday 8th September and continuing on Tuesdays & Wednesdays. All levels including beginners and continuers, also mother & baby yoga and yoga for pregnancy. Classes run in blocks of 8 weeks. For details call 071 – 9134939.
- 9. Dromahair GAA:** Congratulations to the Junior Girls on their win against Manorhamilton in the Intermediate B County Championship Semi-Final last Sunday & the U - 14 Boys on winning the County Championship Final the previous week. ***Well done!*** Good luck to the Girls in the Final!
- 10. Dromahair Defibrillator Group:** Next Meeting at 8.30pm on Friday 28th August in the Depot.
- 11. Heritage Week:** Special events for children & adults on Sunday 30th August in Parke's Castle. Details from 071 – 9164149.

Diocese of Kilmore & Parish of Drumlease - Killarogue: Swine Flu Advice.

Swine Flu – A (H1N1) – is highly contagious & is transmitted

- (a) Largely person to person, spread by droplets from the respiratory secretions of infected individuals.
(b) By contact with contaminated surfaces.

Because of the method of contamination it is important not to sneeze or cough into other people's space or face. Use disposable tissues if coughing or sneezing & dispose of them as soon as ever possible.

Clean hands are vital too. Keep them clean!

The diocese recommends: **1.** That all those who have flu symptoms should not attend church services.

2. That clergy & ministers of the Eucharist use hospital type sanitizer.

- 3.** That people read the HSE guidelines regarding precautions to take. Remember the HSE booklet sent to you?

And the parish has decided that **(i):** We will dispense with the sign of peace for the time being.

(ii): That all should receive Holy Communion in the hand to prevent cross contamination.

To access Swine Flu information, visit the HSE website: www.hse.ie/eng/swineflu/

A former inmate of a Nazi concentration camp was visiting a friend who had shared the same ordeal.

Have you forgiven the Nazis? he asked his friend. ***Yes,*** came the reply.

Well I haven't. I'm still consumed with hatred for them.

In that case, said his friend gently, ***they still have you in prison.***