

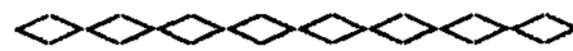
<<< *Dromahair ~ Killargue ~ Newtownmanor* >>>

Parish Website: www.drumlease-killargue.com

Fr. John Mc Tiernan ~ 071- 9164143 / Fr. John Sexton ~ 071 – 9164131.
Sunday 23rd December 2007 ~ 4th Sunday of Advent.

Today is the *Fourth and Final Sunday of Advent* when we celebrate the faithful love of God revealed in history.

In today's readings we focus on Mary of Nazareth who responded most generously to that love. She is an example for us all as we prepare for Christ's coming among us at Christmas.



In our Masses on *Christmas Eve & Christmas Day*, we celebrate the *Mystery of the Incarnation* ~ the Son of God is born as one of us.

With a Spirit of Hope and Joy we gather as a Eucharistic people to say thanks at our Christmas celebrations.



GENERAL / CHURCH NOTICES.

Please note carefully!

[A] Mass Times for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day: 4 Masses in total.

Killargue ~ Christmas Eve ~ Monday 24th December at 8.30pm.

Dromahair ~ Christmas Eve ~ Monday 24th December at 10.00pm.

Newtownmanor ~ Christmas Day ~ Tuesday 25th December at 10.00am.

Dromahair ~ Christmas Day ~ Tuesday 25th December at 11.30am.

[B] Mission Sunday Collection from 21st October 2007:

Dromahair ~ €915 [€1,050]; Killargue ~ €625 [€520]; Newtownmanor ~ €615 [€500].

Total: €2,155 [€2,070]. Amounts for last year are given in brackets.

Funds go directly to the poorest emerging Christian communities. Thanks for your generosity.

A comparative chart detailing Mission Collection amounts from each parish in the Diocese for 2005 & 2006 has been placed on your church notice board. *You might like to compare & contrast!*

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR.

1. Mass: Monday ~ Christmas Eve 10.00pm; Tuesday ~ Christmas Day 11.30am;
Wednesday ~ St. Stephen's Day ~ 11.30am; Saturday ~ Wedding Mass ~ 1.00pm; Sunday 11.15am.

2. Pray for:-

Joe O'Hara (formerly Moneyduff), Wolf Tone St, Sligo, *Month's Memory Mass* Sunday 23rd December at 11.15 am.

Elizabeth Banks & Annie Gilmartin, Anniversary Mass Wednesday 26th December at 11.30 am.

Daniel Hannon, Shriff, John Rooney & deceased family members, Anniversary Mass Sunday 30th December 11.15 am.

May they rest in peace

CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR.

1. Mass: Tuesday ~ Christmas Day 10.00am; Sunday 10.00am.

2. Pray for:-

Teresa Loughlin, Moragh, Anniversary Mass Sunday 23rd December at 10.00am.

May they rest in peace

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE.

1. Mass: Monday ~ Christmas Eve 8.30pm; Saturday ~ Vigil Mass ~ 7.00pm.

2. Pray for:-

Dora & Francie Mc Goey, Annaghboy, Killargue, Mass Saturday 22nd December at 7.00pm.

James & Mary Anne Mc Tiernan, Corderry, Anniversary Mass Saturday 29th December at 7.00pm.

May they rest in peace.

Community Notices.

1. There will be no Bingo on Christmas Eve, Monday 24th December *or* on New Year's Eve, Monday 31st December.
Bingo resumes on Monday 7th January 2008 in the *Abbey Manor Hotel*.
2. The Arigna Leader Office will be closed from Friday 21st December – Monday 7th January 2008.
3. The Official Launch of Defibrillators for Dromahair took place recently.
Here is a list of contact numbers for those trained to operate defibrillators :

086 3259041	086 3441418	087 2181078	086 3408235	086 3365753
086 8790781	071 9164783	087 6734394	086 3212351	087 2891340
4. Catholic Singles is an organization which helps single Catholics meet one-to-one or through social events. Ring 01- 619413498 or visit www.catholicsingles.org.uk email@catholicsingles.org.uk.
5. **Aware:** Depression Support Group for young people aged 18 – 25 meets on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month at 8.00pm in Markievicz House, Sligo. Phone: 1 890 303 302 or 071 9155120.
A separate group for those over 25 years of age meets at the same time in the same venue.
6. **Be a good neighbour this Winter.** Check that older neighbours are well, safe and warm.
If you get no reply from an elderly neighbour's house, contact a relative or An Garda Síochána.

Would you like an opportunity for your younger children ~ up to First Communion Class ~ to wish the
Baby Jesus *Happy Birthday* at Christmas?

You will find special cards at the back of your church this weekend, take one home, write your greeting and your child can place them before the Crib after Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

Thanks to all who contributed to the Sunday Offertory Collection and the Dues during the year.

Offertory Collection = Day-to-day upkeep of each church, repair and refurbishment of parish buildings/churches and the running expenses of the relevant parish area during the year.

Dues = Support and upkeep for the priests of the parish during the year.

Your continuing generosity is much appreciated!

Every child comes into the world with the message that God does not yet despair of mankind. Tagore.

The following are the names & phone numbers of local priests. Please keep them in case of emergency.

Rev Gerry Alwill, Drumkeeran, 071- 96 48025, Rev. Patrick Sullivan, Glencar, 071- 98 55433

Rev. Michael Cooke, Manorhamilton, 071- 98 55042, Mobile: 086 – 85 33217,

Rev. Sean Tynan, Killenummery, 071- 91 64125 & Rev. Sean Burke, Ballintogher, 071- 91 64154.

Rev. John Mc Mahon, Manorhamilton, 071- 9856987. Rev Fr. John Sexton, Killargue 071 - 9164131

We wish all our parishioners in *Dromahair ~ Killargue ~ Newtownmanor*, those who joined the parish this year, attend our churches from adjoining parishes, those home on holidays, all our visitors and friends

Peace, Happiness and every Blessing as we celebrate the **Birth of Our Saviour.**

Best wishes to our good neighbours in Drumlease Parish Church.

Nollaig Shona! Happy Christmas! Joyeux Noel! Frohe weihnacht! Feliz Navidad! Buon Natale! God Jul!

Wesolych Swiat!



Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself!

Ralph Waldo Emerson