

# DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE - NEWTOWNMANOR

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Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – Feast of the Most Holy Trinity

## Trinity Sunday – Points to Ponder

The life of God is a sharing of life in the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The call of the Christian is to share this life in family and in community with others, so that we are all sharers of faith, hope and love with others.

We are told that God is **"three persons in one being."** But we have no idea what that means, as neither our experience nor our human concepts can grasp it. *We might ask what difference does it make to us, anyway, if God is three persons, or one person, or any number of persons!* However, if God were one person, **then God would find infinite happiness in glorious isolation, all alone**, loving him/herself. And since we are made in the image of God, we too would find our happiness in turning in on ourselves, loving ourselves and being alone. **But God's happiness consists in the love** that the Father has for the Son and the love that the Son has for the Father. **And the fruit of their love for each other is the Holy Spirit.** God is three persons united together in love. But even the love of the Three Persons for each other was not sufficient for God to be infinitely happy. God created us human beings and wrapped us up in God's gratuitous and unconditional love, because the happiness of Father, Son and Holy Spirit only finds its completion in their love for each one of us. And so, **our happiness, too, can only be found in loving one another and God.** But we don't need theologians to explain that to us. Sure, any two teenagers, madly in love with each other, locked in an embrace they wish would never end, could tell us that!

*Fr. Peter McVerry SJ*

## Blessing and Visitation of Graves – 2024

Killargue & Cloonlougher Cemeteries - Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024, commencing with Mass in St. Brigid's Church at 2.30pm. In preparation for Cemetery Sunday, a meeting will be held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, in Killargue Community Centre, at 9.00pm. Cemetery Sunday Helpers & Volunteers, as well as those whose loved ones are interred in our cemeteries (particularly in Killargue New Cemetery), are invited to attend this meeting.

Newtownmanor & Carrickatemple Cemeteries - Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024, commencing with Mass in Mary Mother of God Church, at 3.00pm. More details to follow later.

## Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock - 2024

will take place on **Friday, the 9<sup>th</sup> of August 2024**, 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.

**The All-Ireland Rosary Rally** - is indeed an occasion for families to come together to pray and be inspired. Please encourage your parishioners to join us on this prayer-filled occasion at **Knock Shrine on Saturday next - 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024.** The day will start at 1.00pm with a talk by Mother Adela Galindo (Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary), and the Main Celebrant will be Bishop Phonsie Cullinan, Bishop

**All our wonderful young people preparing for exams:** We know that this time of year isn't easy and we just want to say to you, 'Good Luck' as you get ready for the exams. Be assured of our support and encouragement and our prayers at our weekend masses during the exam time. Fr Paul.

**Recently Deceased: John Hugh O'Brien, New York, USA, and formerly of Carrickfad, Fivemilebourne, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday 16th May, in St. Barnabas Church, Bronx, New York. May he Rest in Peace. Amen.**

### **ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:**

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's;** Wed at 9.30am; Friday at 8.00pm; Sunday at 11.15am.
2. **Pray for:**  
**Peter Gilligan, Mullies. Special Intention.** Mass on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 11.15am.  
**Available for Intention.** Mass on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May at 9.30am.  
**Cahal Sharkey.** St Joseph's. Anniversary Mass on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 8.00pm.  
**Joe Meehan, Rockvalley & formerly, Sligo. Months Memory. Mary Kerins, Soxline.** Mass on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 11.15am.  
***May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.***
3. **Liturgy for June:** **Reader:** Emer Clancy. **Collectors;** Joseph McGoldrick, Frances & Tommy Dolan; **Altar Society** – Josephine Harvey & Mary McMahan.

### **CHURCH OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:**

1. **Mass:** Thursday at 8pm (**Adoration from 7.15pm to 8.00pm**); Sunday at 10.00am.
2. **Pray for:**  
**John Hugh O'Brien, New York & formerly Carrickfad.** Memorial Mass on Sun 26<sup>th</sup> May at 10am.  
**Available for Intention.** Mass on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 8.00pm (**Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm**).  
**Michael Cunningham, Fawnlion.** His son **Michael** and his sister **Molly**. Mass on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 10.00am.  
***May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.***
3. **Liturgy for June:** **Readers:** Lisa McGourty & Seamus Storey. **Collectors:** Michael Comiskey & Liam Martin; **Altar Society** – Hillary McDermott & Una Dolan.

### **ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:**

1. **Mass:** **Tuesday at 8pm (Adoration 7pm to 8pm);** Saturday (Vigil) at 8.00pm.
2. **Pray for:**  
**Thomas McGuinness, Lisgorman, and Deceased Family Members.** Mass on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 8.00pm.  
**Hugh & Mary McGlinchey.** Mass on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 8.00pm (**Adoration from 7.00pm to 8.00pm**).  
**Mick, Ellie & Noel McKenna, Gortatresk.** Mass on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 8.00pm.  
***May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.***
3. **Liturgy for June:** **Readers** – Diarmuid Giblin & Sharon Thornton; **Collectors** – Michael Donoghue & Joe Giblin; **Altar Society** – Christina & Shauna Loughlin.

### **Novena Prayer to the Sacred Heart**

O Divine Jesus, who said, "Ask and you shall receive",  
I kneel at your feet.

From whom shall I ask if not from you, whose heart is the source of all blessings.

With a lively faith in you, I come to ask...

*(share your petitions silently with the Sacred Heart)*

I admit I am most unworthy of your favours, Jesus,  
but this is not a reason for me to be discouraged.

You are the God of mercies and you will not refuse a contrite heart.

Look with pity on me, I beg you, and your compassionate Heart  
will find in my weakness a motive for granting my request.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on me. **Amen.**

***NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART***

***Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June (Feast of the Sacred Heart)***

***'Very little is needed to make a life; it is all within ourselves, in our way of thinking.'***