

Dromahair – Killargue - Newtownmanor

Sunday 29th April 2018 – The 5th Sunday of Easter

World Meeting of Families – 21st to 26th August 2018

Pope Francis is coming to Ireland on 25th & 26th August and early booking is advised. **The Pope's events in Croke Park & in the Phoenix Park will be all ticket.** To book, please visit: www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Tickets. A limited number of tickets may also be made available through each diocese.

St. Brigid's Church, Killargue

Twelve-hour Adoration **in honour of St. Joseph the Worker & for the Protection of the Life of the Unborn,** will take place on **Tuesday 1st May 2018,** beginning with Mass at 8.00am and finishing with Mass at 8.00pm. **If you can spend some time in Adoration on Tuesday 1st May, please sign the sheet which is available on the table in the porch.**

Church Notices:

- [A] **Altar Servers for Dromahair (May 2018 – Group 5):** Lochlann Jordan, Sarah O'Rourke, Kate Leonard; Liam Leonard. **Parents please note, if your child is unable to serve at Mass on any of the assigned dates, please arrange a replacement.** (Please note that the recruitment of new Altar Servers is now taking place in all 3 churches. If interested, please contact Mary Brodie at 087 2853413).
- [B] **The Special Annual Diocesan Vocations and Support Services Collection was due last weekend - 21st & 22nd April (4th Sunday of Easter - Vocations Sunday):** You will find the Pink Diocesan Services Collection Envelope (erroneously dated 6th May 2018) between your May and June Dues Envelopes. You will also find a note in your Dues pack, detailing the uses to which this Collection is put. You may of course use an ordinary envelope marked 'Diocesan Services'. Please include your name and address. **Thanks as always for your continuing generosity.**
- [C] **May is the Month of Our Blessed Lady:** To honour Our Lady, a volunteer from the congregation might lead the Rosary before Saturday evening & Sunday morning Masses in all 3 churches: **Those leading the Rosary are asked to begin a full 20 mins before Mass.**
- [D] **The Sacrament of Confirmation:** for the children of **Drumlease N.S. & Leckaun N.S.** will take place on next **Sunday 6th May 2018 at 3.00pm,** in St. Brigid's Church, Drumkeeran. **A practice for the Confirmation will take place in St. Brigid's Church, Drumkeeran on Wednesday 2nd May at 7.00pm. All concerned needs to be present for this practice.**
- [E] **The Sacrament of First Holy Communion:** for the children of **Drumlease N.S.** will take place in **St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair on Saturday 12th May at 11.00am** and for the children of **Leckaun N.S** will take place in **Newtownmanor Church on Saturday 19th May at 11.30am.**
- [F] **Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - 2018:** is for 5 nights from 27th May – 1st June with Full Board accommodation. Pilgrim booking forms are available from Cavan Travel, 15 Main Street, Cavan. Tel 049 436 1222 or Virginia Travel, Main Street, Virginia, Co. Cavan. Tel 049 854 8544. **Enquiries for Special Sick / Assisted Section to Fr Kevin Fay, The Presbytery, Farnham Street, Cavan. Tel 049 433 1404 or Mobile 087 857 9968.**
- [G] **Lough Derg 2018:** Season opens for One Day Retreats on Saturday 5th May. Retreats continue May 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 15, 20, 22, 26, 27 & 28. **Advance booking is essential.** Tel +353 (0) 71 9861518 or email: info@loughderg.org. **Three Day Pilgrimage Season begins on Friday 1st June.**
- [H] **Visitation & Blessing of Graves – 2018:** Killargue & Cloonlougher; Sunday 24th June, commencing with Mass at 2.30pm. Newtownmanor; Sunday 5th August, commencing with Mass at 5.30pm. **More details later.**
- [I] **Killenummery & Killery - Dates for Cemetery Masses 2018:** Carrowcrin on Sat 30th June; Creevelea on Sunday 1st July; Killery on Sun 24th June. Ecumenical service in Killenummery Old Cemetery on Sunday 1st July.
- [J] **Friday next is the First Friday.** The sick and housebound will be visited as usual. All concerned will be contacted beforehand.
- [K] **We remember:** Fr P.J. McGlinchey, Columban Missions, uncle of **Derek McGlinchey,** Dromahair; **Monica McGoldrick,** Sligo, mother of **Paul McGoldrick,** Dromahair & **Sean Donoghue,** London and late of Belhavel, Killargue, brother of **Eamonn Donoghue,** Belhavel, who died recently. **May they rest in peace.**

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR

1. **Mass:** Monday at 9.30am; Tuesday at 9.30am; Wednesday at 9.30am; Friday at 8.00pm; Sunday at 11.15am.
2. **Pray for:**
P. Ward, Drumlease, Anniv Mass on Sunday 29th April at 11.15am.
The People of the Parish, Mass on Monday 30th April at 9.30am.
Intentions of the Donor - Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, Mass on Tuesday 1st May at 9.30pm.
St Felim's Sick & Infirm Priests' Society, Mass on Wednesday 2nd May at 9.30am.
Josie Torsney, Dromahair, Months Memory Mass on Friday 4th May at 8.00pm.
Annie & Packie McKenna, Carrickacroghery, Mass on Sunday 6th May at 11.15am.
May they Rest in Peace.
3. **Liturgy for May:** **Readers** - Drumlease N.S; **Collectors** - John McMorrow & Tommy Sweeney; **Altar Society** - Chris McGoldrick.

CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR

1. **Mass:** Thursday at 8.00pm; Sunday at 10.00am.
2. **Pray for:**
Margaret, Martin & Patsy Devaney & Bridget Feeney, Corrycullen, Anniv Mass on Sunday 29th April at 10.00am.
Intentions of the Donor, Mass on Thursday 3rd May at 8.00pm.
Intentions of the Donor, Mass on Sunday 6th May at 10.00am.
May they Rest in Peace.
3. **Liturgy for May:** Reader - Leckaun N.S; Collectors - Hubert Loughlin & Paul McDermott; Altar Society - Bernadette Banks & Mai Devaney.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE

1. **Mass:** Monday at 7.00pm; Tuesday at 8.00am & 8.00pm; Saturday (Vigil Mass) at **8.00pm**.
2. **Pray for:**
John & Bridget McGoey, Annaghboy & Scotland, Mass on Saturday 28th April at **8.00pm**.
Teresa & Sonny Harkin. Deceased of Harkin & McNiffe Families, Drumkeel, Mass on Monday 30th April at 7.00pm.
Deceased of Slevin & McTiernan Families, Lemascally & Gurteen, Mass on Saturday 6th May at **8.00pm**.
May they Rest in Peace
3. **Liturgy for May:** Readers – Aine McMorrow & Carmel Loughlin; Collectors - John McMorrow & Seamus Reynolds; Altar Society - Patsy McGoey & Bernadette Feeney.
4. **Eucharistic Adoration:** Eucharistic Adoration all day in honour of St. Joseph the Worker & for the Protection of the Life of the Unborn, on Tuesday 2nd May from 8.00am to 8.00pm. *All welcome.*

Community Notices.

1. **Bingo: Every Monday at 9.00pm in The Blue Devon.** All lines €30 except games 5 & 10 which are €50. All houses €100 and last game €200. **Your support is much appreciated.**
2. **Deadline for Notices for the Parish Bulletin:** 12.00 noon on Thursdays. Email: drumahaire@kilmorediocese.ie
3. **Clothing collection facility in The Depot Gate.** Open all day, every day. New and used clean clothing, ladies, gents and children's, shoes (pairs, clean), handbags & leather belts, blankets, bed sheets & pillow cases - clean, soft toys, teddys - no batteries. **No duvets, pillows or cushions.** This collection raised **€1,000 for the parish & €675 for Drumlease N.S.** *Thank you for your support and thanks to all who organized this collection.*
4. **Local Link Rural Bus Service - Manorhamilton to Carrick on Shannon (Return):** Service runs on Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday. Departs Manorhamilton (Bus Stop) at 9.15am – Killargue (Car Park) at 9.25am – Dromahair (Centra) at 9.35am. Arrives in Carrick on Shannon (Bus Stop) at 10.50am. Departs Carrick on Shannon (Bus Stop) at 1.20pm - Dromahair at 2.45pm - Killargue at 2.50pm. Arrives in Manorhamilton at 3.00pm.
5. **Dromahair Library:** Open on Tuesdays from 12.30 pm – 6.00pm & Fridays 2.30pm – 8.00pm (Closed 4 – 4.30 pm). Spring into Story-Time is a national initiative running in public libraries. **Please come along and celebrate the importance of families reading together and sharing stories, on Tuesday 8 May, 2018 at 2.30pm. Sessions are free of charge.**
6. **Irish Cancer Society - Church Gate Collection:** takes place this weekend 28th & 29th April. *Please support.*
7. **Plastic Collection of Silage Wrap, pit covers, meal bags & fertilizer bags at Manorhamilton Mart on Friday 4th May 2018 from 9am - 4pm.** Contact 086 2521699/ 087 3291081 or 071 9662781 for details.
8. **Bus to Bloom Flower Festival in the Phoenix Park:** Fri 1st June, leaving Dromahair at 8am. Cost: €70 which includes full breakfast, admission to Bloom & dinner in Landmark Hotel on return journey. Contact Mary on 086 8039065 or any of the Killenummery Women's group.
9. **Dromahair Ladies GAA - 5k Run/Walk:** Monday 7th May at 11.00am. Registration from 10.30am at Club House/Riverbank. The 5k Run/Walk takes place from the Greenway.

A Human Rights Issue

We can be sure that in the debates and media coverage that will precede the referendum those who oppose the taking of human life in the womb at all stages will be portrayed as extremists, absolutists and religious fanatics. But don't be intimidated. This is not just a Church issue. In fact, it is not primarily a religious issue at all. It's an ethical issue and a human rights issue. Every human being has an equal right to life. It is not an extreme position to recognise the right and to defend it. **Biology tells us that life in the womb begins at conception. This is a scientific fact, not a religious belief. And the life that begins is a human life. It is not a potential human life, but a human life with potential.** For the sake of women and unborn children, and for the sake of our common humanity, I believe very strongly we should keep the Eight Amendment.

Bishop Leo O'Reilly, Bishop of Kilmore.