

# DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE - NEWTOWNMANOR

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**Sunday 30th July 2023 – The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## SOMETHING TO PONDER ON

The demands of the Gospel seem so total: to obtain the kingdom *one has to sell everything*. Yet it is also a process, a journey. What is **most important is the movement and the direction of my life**. Only the one who searches can find, those who are happy with where they are will never find anything worth giving their life for. Am I in a stagnant phase **or am I still searching, digging deeper** in the field of my heart?

Selling everything to obtain what they really desired so deeply filled both men in the parables with deep joy. This seems a contradiction, but this is what our experience tells us. As the prayer of St Francis puts it, **It is in giving that we receive**. I ask for a heart full of freedom, **freedom** to give all and to receive all.

**Have I found the pearl of great value**, for which I am ready to sell all I have to buy it? Am I still looking for it, *or am I resigned to a life of mediocrity* in my relationships with others, with God in my prayer, in my work life? If I have found it, am I ready, to sell all that I have to obtain it? **Jesus compares this pearl to the Kingdom** he came to proclaim and inaugurate, and this gives me joy and hope.

The parable is not inviting you to think about somebody else-some random trespasser. **Jesus is inviting you to recognise where your heart is**. For whom or for what would you go without everything else?

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**Monthly Visitation of the Sick and Housebound – August 2023:** Fr Paul will visit the Sick and Housebound on **Friday next – 4<sup>th</sup> August, at the usual times**. If you know someone who would like a visit and is not currently on the First Friday visitation list, please let him know. Telephone: 071-91 64143.

**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

**\*\*\*\*\*Volunteers needed to help clean up Carrickatemple Cemetery on Tuesday evening next – 1<sup>st</sup> August at 7pm. Please bring some trimmers/clippers/brushes\*\*\*\*\***

**Newtownmanor:** Next Sunday - 6<sup>th</sup> 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 next Sunday.**

**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:** **Joan McMorrow (nee Timlin)**, Drumlease. Funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair, on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July at 11.00am, followed by private cremation. **Marie Harte nee McLoughlin**, Killery. Funeral took place in Ballintogher on Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> July. **May they Rest in Peace. Amen.**

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

1. **Mass: Monday at 11.00am (Funeral Mass);** Wednesday at 9.30am; Friday at 8pm; Sun at 11.15am.
2. **Pray for:**  
**John Joe Speers**, Memorial Mass on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 11.15am.  
**Joan McMorrow (nee Timlin)**, Drumlease. **Funeral Mass on** Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> July at 11.00am.  
**Special Intention.** Mass on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 9.30am.  
**Peg & Paddy Clancy**, Creevelea. Mass on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August at 8.00pm.  
**John & Christina Redmond.** Market St. **Della Stanford McGowan.** Main Street. Mass on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 11.15am.  
**May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.**
3. **Liturgy for August: Reader;** Michael Costello. **Collectors;** Padraig Watters & Frank McGowan. **Altar Society;** Volunteers needed.

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

1. **Mass:** Thursday at 8pm; **Sunday at 3.00pm.**
2. **Pray for:**  
**Mai Devaney**, Corrycullen. **Months Memory Mass** on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00am.  
**Patsy Diamond**, Cornalaughta. Mass on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August at 8.00pm.  
**Breege Murphy**, Calry & Cornalaughta and **The Faithful Departed interred in Carrickatemple & Newtownmanor Cemeteries.** **Cemetery Mass on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 3.00pm.**  
**May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.**
3. **Liturgy for August: Reader;** Gabrielle Fowley. **Collectors;** Thomas Healy & Martin Dolan. **Altar Society;** Patricia Dolan & Angela Loughlin.

### **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:**  
**Mike, Mary & P.J. McKenna.** 'The Rock', Cashel, Dromahair. (Vigil) Mass on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 8.00pm.  
**Sean Thornton**, Cloonlougher. Mass on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August at 8.00pm (**Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm.**)  
**Annie McHugh**, New York & Gortermone, Killargue. **Months Memory Mass** on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August at 8.00pm.  
**May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.**
3. **Liturgy for August: Reader** – Monica Giblin; **Collector** – Pat Flanagan; **Altar Society** – Kathleen Gallagher.

**The Dromahair AED /Defibrillator Group** - are having their **Annual Church Gate Collection** on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> August. **Please support this worthy cause.**

### **Official Opening of O'Rourke's Table in Newtownmanor.**

A fantastic day was had by all on Sunday last as O'Rourke's Table was officially opened. We were blessed in so many ways on the day, especially with the weather, which made all the difference. Crowds came from near and far to celebrate along with our special guests, Maria Walsh MEP & Nathan Carter who officially cut the ribbon to begin the trail to the summit. The Chairperson of the committee, Kevin Comiskey, welcomed everyone to this momentous occasion and thanked everyone for making this occasion possible. He thanked the committee and everyone who helped out over the last two years, special reference was made to the Sponsors, Thomas Coyle, Leitrim County Council and Irene McDonald. O'Rourke's Table had become known as the Hidden Gem, but as a community, it was time to put O'Rourke's Table and lovely Leitrim on the map again. Thanks to everyone for their support and generosity. A great day was had by all.

### **Killargue Holy Well.**

Fr Paul is hoping to celebrate Mass at the Holy Well on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August.** However, given the ground conditions in and around the well at present, there will need to be a significant improvement in the weather, in the next two weeks, to allow for the Mass to go ahead safely. **A final decision will be made next weekend.**