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Dromahair ~ Killargue ~ Newtownmanor

Sunday 31st August 2008 ~ 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

GENERAL / CHURCH NOTICES.

- [A] Our primary schools re-open on Monday 1st September. We wish all students, teachers, parents and the whole school community every blessing & a successful, happy year.
- [B] St. Michael's Family Life Centre, Church Hill, Sligo: The Autumn / Winter Calendar of Events and Courses is now available at the Centre. Enrolment takes place on Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th September from 10.00am 7.00pm. For details telephone 071 9170329.
- [C] Special Collection for the Holy Land ~ Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th 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.

 The Diocese of Kilmore proposes to contribute half of the ordinary Offertory Collection from the weekend of Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th September to support our fellow Christians in the Holy Land. Other Dioceses have special collections each Good Friday. Your contribution 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!
- [D] Friday next is the First Friday. The sick and housebound will be visited in <u>Dromahair & Newtownmanor</u> on Thursday 4th, Friday 5th & Saturday 6th September. Visitation in <u>Killargue</u> will take place on Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th & Wednesday 10th September.

 All concerned will be contacted by phone beforehand to arrange a suitable time.
- [E] We remember: Annie Harte, Bath, Avon, England (sister of John Harte, Gortnaskeagh) whose death took place on Monday 11th August. May she rest in peace!

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR.

- 1. Mass: Monday 9.30am; Tuesday 9.30am; Wednesday 9.30am; Friday ~ Wedding Mass at 1.00pm & First Friday Mass 8.00pm; Sunday 11.15am;
- 2. Pray for:-

Francis X. Kelly, Dromahair & **deceased family**, Anniversary Mass Sunday 31st August at 11.15am. **Mary McGovern**, Bawnboy, Mass Tuesday 2nd September at 9.30am. **Edward O'Hara**, Kilmore, Fivemilebourne, Anniversary Mass Friday 5th September at 8.00pm. **Mel Farrell**, Drumlease, First Anniversary Mass Sunday 7th September at 11.15am.

May they rest in peace

3. Liturgy for September: Reader ~ Volunteers needed; Collectors ~ Michéal McGoldrick, Charles Sharkey, Michael Burns & Michéal Loughlin.

Altar Society ~ Josephine Harvey & Sinead Diamond.

CHURCH OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR.

- 1. Mass: Friday 8.00pm; Sunday 10.00am.
- 2. Pray for:-.

Deceased members of St Felim's Sick & Infirm Priests' Society, Mass Sunday 31st August at 10.00am **P.J. Rooney**, Mullies, Mass Friday 5th September at 8.00pm.

Mary & Christie Feehily & deceased family members, Mass Sunday 7th September at 10.00 am.

May they rest in peace

3. Liturgy for September: Reader ~ Rosaleen & Róisín Bird; Collectors ~ Joseph Mc Loughlin & Frank Dolan; Altar Society: Michelle & Annie Comiskey.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE.

- 1. Mass: Monday 9.00am; Tuesday 9.00am & 7.00pm; Wednesday & Thursday 9.00 am; Friday 9.00am & 7.00pm; Saturday ~ Vigil Mass ~ 8.00pm.
- 2. Pray for:-

John Patrick Gallagher, Gortahork & deceased family members, Anniversary Mass Friday 5th Sept at 7.00pm.

Deceased members of Mc Hugh family, Gortermone, Anniversary Mass, Saturday 6th Sept at 8.00pm.

May they rest in peace

3. Liturgy for September: Reader ~ Taheny Family & Marie Sheridan; Collectors ~ Carmel Feeney, Brian Harte, Carmel Loughlin & Gerard Mc Loughlin;

Altar Society ~ Catherine Sweeney & Detta Mc Niffe.

Community Notices.

- 1. Support your Local Bingo every Monday night in the Abbey Manor Hotel at 9.00pm sharp.
- 2. Leitrim County Development Board: Registration Evening for Leitrim Third Level Courses on Wedneday <u>September 10th from 6.30pm 8.30pm</u> in the Council Offices, Carrick —on —Shannon. Courses ~ which are all part time ~ include ACCA Diploma in Financial Management; Diploma in Marketing, Advertising & Public Relations; IT Blanchardstown Certificate in Landscape and Gardening; PR Diploma in Event Management; Food Studies, Food Safety Management & Innovation in the Food Sector.

Further information from Leitrim Third Level at 071 - 9650496 or on www.leitrimthirdlevel.ie

- 3. Ceili in Bee Park Community Centre on Saturday 13th September 2008. Music by Annaly Ceili Band. Proceeds in aid of Newtownmanor Hall Renovation Fund.

 Dancing from 10pm 1.00am. Admission €10 inclusive of supper.
- 4. Weight Watchers: A new class starts in the Depot on Wednesday 3rd September. Time: 5.30pm 6.30pm. For further information ring Marian at 087 2678944 or 071 9185644.
- 5. Lifestart ~ A Parenting Programme for those with children up to 5 years of age:
 Ring Freephone 1800 818 688 to find out how you can take part in a Lifestart Study with Queen's
 University Belfast. You can contact your Local Lifestart Project at 071 9856660.
- 6. Heritage week at Parke's Castle:

Heritage Week concludes this Sunday 31st August at 5pm. Remaining events include: photographic exhibition by local photographer Evelyn O'Hara, Children's Badge making & a performance of the *Legend of the Castle by the Lake* at 3.00pm. Further details from Siobhan at 071 - 9164149.

- 7. Dromahair Youth Club: Registration from 8.00pm 9.00pm on Friday 5th September in Dromahair Park Club House. New members must be attending second level schools and be under 18 years of age. Existing members must re-register. Membership €15 for the year.

 All new or existing members must be accompanied by a parent or a guardian.
- 8. Active Age ~ Dromahair: Meetings re commence in *The Depot* on Wednesday 10th September from 10.30am 12.30pm. New members always welcome!

<u>Killargue Community Development</u>

The <u>Official Opening and Ecumenical Blessing</u> of the <u>Refurbished Community Centre</u> will take place at 6.00pm on Friday 5th September.

The official opening, which will be performed by Marian Harkin, MEP, will be followed by light refreshments.

All members of the community are cordially invited.

It is with the heart that one sees rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye.

Antoine de Saint - Exupéry (1900 - 1944)