

PARISH OF DRUMLEASE AND KILLARGUE

Dromahair-Killargue-Newtownmanor

I write this note to you in relation to the re-opening of Churches for Mass with effect from Monday, 29th June 2020. **For everyone's safety**, please note the following procedures will apply in the Parish until further notice.

Resumption of weekend Masses starts on Sat 4th and Sun 5th July (usual Rota applies)
Weekday Masses begin on **Mon evening, 29th June in Killargue.** (usual Rota)

Please note that the following procedures apply:

- ***The dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day obligation to attend Mass still applies until further notice.**
- ***Due to the Social Distancing guidelines**, the capacity of each church **will be reduced.**
- ***The capacity of each church** will be displayed on church doors.
- ***We cannot exceed this figure. We sincerely apologise in advance** to those, who may not get into the Church for mass because of these reduced numbers. (There will be weekday masses)
- *Please **do not attend Sunday Mass if you are unwell.**
- *It is advisable to **wear a mask.**
- ***Use hand sanitizers** at entrance to church. There will be no Holy Water in the fonts.
- ***You will be greeted and assisted by a member of the hospitality team.**
- *Missalettes will not be available. If you take a parish bulletin, please bring it home.
- ***Please wait to be shown to your seat.**
- * **Families that live in the same house** can share the one seat. This will increase the number of people overall that can be safely accommodated in the church.
- ***All attending Mass are to be seated.** Standing at the rear, in the aisles or near the doors is prohibited.
- ***There will be no sign of peace** during mass.
- ***Please wait for ushers to direct you forward for holy-communion and when departing Mass.** Those coming forward for **Holy Communion**, must come in single file, following the one-way system while respecting social distancing.
- ***The Priest and the Eucharistic Minister**, having sanitized their hands will wear a face covering while distributing Holy Communion.
- ***Everyone should receive in their hands.**
- ***For contributions** to the parish, **a basket will be available as you enter the church.** (*Those with envelopes accumulated over the last three months, can drop them into the baskets as you enter the church. Thank you.*)
- ***The Churches are cleaned after every liturgy.**
- ***For weekday Mass**, please be seated within the designated area. Social distancing guidelines must also apply. The usual parish weekday mass.

On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council, I thank you for your co-operation and your understanding in these difficult. Lets' continue to pray for each other and for those who have lost loved ones. Remember, together we can do it.

Fr Paul

