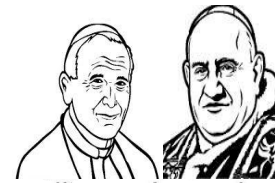


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# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter

John Paul II John XXIII



*If God were not willing to  
forgive sin, heaven would  
be empty*

German Proverb

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) (A) 27th April 2014

## Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Slevin Dfm  
Sun 11.00: Dodie/Dan/Helen Ledwith  
Sat 8.00: Annie Quinn and Dillon Dfm  
Sun 11.00: Do this in Memory

## Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Patrick Prunty, Kiltycreevagh  
2.30: John Dolan, Kiltycreevagh  
*(Divine Mercy Sunday)*  
Sun 10.00: Dan Sorohan, Fardrummin

Note: No weekday Mass in Ballinamuck this week.

## Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Parents of 1st Communion Class  
Sun: Irene McNally

Eucharist Sat: Bernadette Noonan  
Sun: Brendan Murray

## Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Helen McKenna  
Eucharist Sun: Bridie Reilly

## Money Matters

Drumlish p1,201, Shrine p207, Trócaire p1,781  
Ballinamuck p560  
Special envelopes for Priests Dues are available at the back of the church for those who don't use the normal envelope system. Thank you for your support.

## Death

Pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Donnelly, Bray and late of Shanmullagh whose funeral took place during the week. Rest in peace.

## National Vigil for Life

National Vigil for Life 2014 in Merrion Square on 3rd May 3 6 4 p.m. A bus leaves from Cathedral car park at 12 p.m. May 3rd. Contact 086 1900640. More information at: [NationalVigilforLife@gmail.com](mailto:NationalVigilforLife@gmail.com)

## Canonisation of Bl. John Paul II

In remembrance of Blessed John Paul II's special trip to Clonmacnois as part of his visit to Ireland in 1979, Holy Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Francis Duffy, this Sunday, 27th April 2014 at 3pm on the ruins of the monastery at Clonmacnois, marking the canonisation of Blessed John Paul II. All welcome.. Note also: Live Television coverage of the canonisation of popes John Paul II and John XXIII on RTE 1 from 8 am to 11 am.

## Monaduff Social Club

- ♦ A Bealtaine Festival social will be held in the Centre, Newtownforbes on Thursday, 15th May at 2 p.m. Anyone interested in travelling to the social by bus, please contact Betty Creegan at 087-9790996 or Adrian Lennon at 087-7056605.
- ♦ Our outing day trip will be on Wed., 18th June.
- ♦ Next meeting takes place on 19th May at 8 p.m.

## Longford County Choir sing in Drumlish

Longford County Choir will be in concert at St. Mary's Church, Drumlish on Sunday next, 4th May (Bank Holiday weekend). This fundraiser is for Heritage projects within the village - Tickets are available locally at the Post Office, Centra, Costcutters and from choir members.

## First Friday

Next Friday is the first Friday. The housebound and sick will be attended as usual.

## Drumlish Walking Group

Just turn up. New for Summer Months. Get out and get Healthy. Starting Friday 9th May 7 p.m. from outside the Church. You must bring hi.viz jacket and children must be accompanied by an adult.

## Divine Mercy Sunday

Clearly, Divine Mercy Sunday is not a new feast established to celebrate St. Faustina's revelations. Liturgically the Easter Octave has always been centered on the theme of Divine Mercy and forgiveness. Divine Mercy Sunday, therefore, points us to the merciful love of God that lies behind the death, burial and resurrection of Christ - made present for us in the Eucharist. As Pope John Paul II pointed out in his address on Divine Mercy Sunday, 1995: "the whole octave of Easter is like a single day," and the Octave Sunday is meant to be the day of "thanksgiving for the goodness God has shown to man in the whole Easter mystery."  
Fr. Patsy will offer Mass at 2.30 p.m. this Sunday in St. Patrick's Ballinamuck to highlight Divine Mercy.

## Trocaire

Sincere thanks for your contribution to the Trócaire Lenten Campaign. To date we have received p1781. Boxes/donations, not yet in, should be handed as soon as possible. Thank you.

## Open Day

There will be an open day in St. Patrick's Seminary, Maynooth on Saturday next, May 3rd starting at 10am. Open to all men young and older, who would like to learn more about the Priesthood. A great day out! For more info visit: <http://maynoothcollege.ie/seminary/>

**Doubt no longer but believe**

## Blessing and Dedication of New Cemetery

We invite you to join with Bishop Francis Duffy who will perform the official Blessing and Dedication of the New Cemetery on Sunday 11th May directly after 11.00 am Mass. We thank everyone in the community for their generous support to date and hope that you will continue to support us in the future. Remember, graves are available for sale at the reduced rate of p700 for a three grave family plot, p470 for a two grave family plot and p235 for a single grave until 1st July 2014. After 1st July graves will revert to the standard prices of p900, p600 and p300. Contact: Brendan Daly on 087 7717886, Seamus Mimmagh 086 8622298 or any committee member.

*God's Mercy*

*There's a wideness in God's mercy,  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in His justice  
Which is more than liberty.*

*There is no place where earth's sorrows  
Are more felt than up in heaven;  
There is no place where earth's failings  
Have such kindly judgment given.*

*For the love of God is broader  
Than the measure of man's mind,  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.*

*If our love were but more simple,  
We should take Him at His word,  
And our lives would be all sunshine  
In the sweetness of our Lord*

*Fredrick William Faber, 1814-1863*