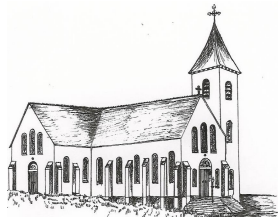
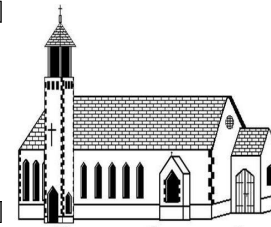


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I would rather fail in the cause that someday will triumph than triumph in a cause that someday will fail

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) 25th January 2015

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Michael Joe/Alice/Micheál Quinn
Sun 11.00: Michelle Rogers, Brucklagh
Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo
Wed 8.00: Brigid/Dan Joe Nerney & Dfm
Fri 8.00: Sean Mulleady, Creenagh
Sat 8.00: Frank/Mary Theresa McCann

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Tommy Rehill, Shanmullagh
Mon 7.30: Phil McLaughlin
Sun 10.00: Paddy/Margaret Cassidy
Note: Confessions & Adoration after Friday Mass

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Declan Mimmagh
Sun: Annette Kane
Communion Sat: Kathleen Gill
Sun: Sr. Kathleen Duffy

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Nuala McLoughlin
Communion Sun: Bridie Reilly

Money Matters

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Father in heaven,
you love me,
You're with me night
and day.
I want to love you always
In all I do and say.
I'll try to please you, Father,
Bless me through the day.
Amen.



Catholic Schools Week

This week, our school will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week. This annual celebration of Catholic education gives us all the opportunity to be more aware of the unique contribution that our Catholic schools make to Irish life. Our theme this year is Catholic Schools: *Called to Serve*. To reflect and consolidate the service our Catholic schools give in the formation of our children we invite you, the parents and grandparents to consider these suggestions each day this week:

- **Monday: We are Called to Serve with Love.** Pray the Morning Prayer with your child today.
- **Tuesday: We are Called to Serve with Kindness.** Help your child do an Act of Kindness today.
- **Wednesday: We are Called to Serve with Joy.** Today is Grandparents' Day. Take time to make a card for a grandparent/s with your child today. Thank them for all the joy they bring to your lives.
- **Thursday: We are Called to Serve with Truth.** Bring your child to visit the church today. Bless each other with holy water, light a candle and say a prayer of thanksgiving for the teachers in your child's school.
- **Friday: We are Called to Serve with Justice.** Think of something to do today that will make God's world a better place. Pick up some litter, switch off lights that are not needed, go for a walk with your child and notice the beauty of God's world.

2015 Offertory/Dues Envelopes

There are still a large number of uncollected Offertory Boxes in the Church. Please collect your box as it is the only source of finance for the upkeep of the parish and parish clergy. I ask for volunteers to distribute the remaining boxes within your own areas. Thank you

LORD, make me know your ways

Diary of Activities for the Week

- **Ballinamuck Bingo** continues in Ballinamuck on Tuesday nights at 8.30 p.m. More local support would be appreciated.
- **Ballinamuck Enhancement AGM:** Thank You to everyone who turned out last night. A few minor changes to the set up but we are pleased to have filled a committee for another year! We are away and looking towards Tidy Towns 2015. Fundraising is top of the agenda... Keep an eye out for more details soon!
- **The 2015 GAA Gaeltacht Scholarship Forms** are now available for anyone interested in attending the Gaeltacht this year. All applicants must be 13 years or older on 1st January 2015. If interested please contact 0864017301 for the form and any further information
- **The 6th Aaron Hagan Memorial Charity Hunt, Walk & Auction** will take place Saturday next 31st January 2015 from Dromard GAA Clubrooms - Hunt Departing 12:30 am; For the Horseless a 7.5 km Walk/Run - Registration from 11:45am; Auction & Raffle on Return approx 3:00 pm & Proceeds of this worthy cause to Longford Meals on Wheels & Tubberpatrick Cemetery Upkeep - Tea/Coffee and light refreshments will be served in the Clubrooms
- **Social Dancing:** Classes resume at the Community Centre Drumlish on Wednesday Jan 21st at 8.30pm. This class is for all ages (no age restriction!!) and all abilities.
- **Yoga Classes:** 6 Week Course starts Thursday 5th Feb The Village Inn (Side door to upstairs) Drumlish 7.30 to 8.55pm. Just bring mat, rug and bottle of water. Registration 15 min. before Class. Tel (087)2868254 for booking.

Baptism

Congratulations to Khloe Marcella Moran d/o Michael & Bernadette, 13 Sliabh Cairbre who was baptised and welcomed into our faith family last weekend.

Drumlish Cemetery AGM

- **Our AGM** will take place on Friday 6th February at 9pm sharp in the Community Centre. Everyone welcome to attend.
- **Mock Wedding:** Drumlish Cemetery Ltd thank everyone involved in the Mock Wedding which took place on Friday 12th December the Cast, Producer, Sponsors, Chorus line, staff & pupils of St Mary's NS and everyone who attended or supported the event in any way. A fuller report will be published in the local notes of the Longford Leader.

The Meaning of Marriage

This pastoral statement is intended to put before our people, again, the Christian understanding of marriage ó a communion of life and love between a man and a woman, in a union for life which is open to new life; and which provides the best and most stable environment for children to grow up and develop. We wish and encourage everyone to read carefully this pastoral statement so as to be better informed in preparation for the debate which will inevitably unfold during the coming referendum. Copies of the pastoral can be picked up at the back of the Church and the pastoral is also available on line. To be true to our faith, it is important that we keep ourselves informed re: church teaching and the Christian understanding of marriage. Taking our cue from the media, or from a socio/political philosophy only, is a denial of our faith and the call of the Gospel. Bring home a copy of the pastoral, read it and reflect on it in prayerful openness.

