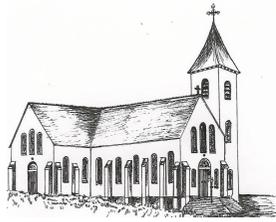


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The biggest disease today is not leprosy or tuberculosis, but rather the feeling of being unwanted.

mother teresa

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) 15th February 2015

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Maureen/Tommy Whitney, Main St
Sun 11.00: Charles/Noreen Kiernan
Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo
Tue 9.30: Mary McGee, Cloncowley
Wed 9.30 & 8 p.m: Ash Wednesday
Sat 8.00: Paddy Mollaghan, Cloonmacart

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Martin O'Boole/Michael Rehill & Dfm
Wed 7.30: Jimmy/Tommy Tully & Dfm
Fri 7.30: Mick Sorohan
Sun 10.00: Michael/Josephine Kiernan, Sandra
Note: Confessions & Adoration after Friday Mass

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Rossa Collum
Sun: First Communion Parents
Communion Sat: Bernadette Noonan
Sun: Anna B Corrigan

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Kay Culliney
Communion Sun: Kieran Duffy

Money Matters

Drumlish p762; Cathedral Fund p383
Ballinamuck p312; Cathedral Fund p33. Thank you.

St. Mary's N.S. Drumlish Enrolment

Enrolment forms for the Junior Infants Class of September 2015 are available from the school and local crèches. If you need to enrol your child into another class or have any other queries please contact the school by phone on 043 3324065 or email drumprincipal@gmail.com

Diary of Events for the Week

- ♦ **Ballinamuck Tidy Towns:** We are holding our annual table quiz on Friday 20th February in Dillons Bar @ 9pm. Tables of 4 p40, raffle & refreshments on the night. Please support and bring a friend.
- ♦ **Art Classes** continue in the Centre on Wednesday morning 10-12 noon. Come along and join the fun.
- ♦ **Social dancing** takes place each Wednesday in Centre at 8.30pm. Dances include Waltz Dive, Foxtrot etc, all abilities are welcome.
- ♦ **Defibrillator courses** will commence within the next few week in Drumlish Com. Centre. Hoping for a good response from the local community.
- ♦ **Cookery Classes** on 24th in the Centre at 7.30 p.m.
- ♦ **A six week Bereavement Course** for adults who have experienced the death of a relative or close friend begins in the Family Centre on Wed. 18th Feb. at 8.00 pm. This course is presented by two trained and experienced facilitators. Contact: 043 3346827 or 087 2843034.
- ♦ **98 Hall Committee** meeting on Monday night, 23rd February at 8 p.m.
- ♦ **Parish Pastoral Council** Meeting in Parochial House Drumlish on Monday night at 8.30 p.m.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

- ✦ **Lourdes Assisted Pilgrims:** The Church gate collection for the Lourdes Assisted Pilgrims takes place this weekend 14th/15th Feb. Instead of collecting at the gate, there will be a second collection after Holy Communion.
- ✦ **The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place from 27th May to 1st June, led by Bishop Francis Duffy. Fully inclusive price p710. Flights from Knock. Booking: Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lr. Baggot St. Dublin 2. Ph. (01) 2410812 or 2410811. See Poster on notice board.

KNOW THE LORD

Ash Wednesday & Lent

Lent begins on Wednesday, with the blessing and distribution of ashes. Masses on Ash Wednesday in Drumlish at 9.30 am and 8 p.m. and in Ballinamuck at 7.30 p.m. Fr. Jim will facilitate an hour of reflection on St. Mark's Gospel on the Thursdays of Lent, beginning this Thursday at 8 p.m. in his house. We are blessed to have Fr. Jim here ̄ use his wisdom and spirituality to better understand the Good News.

Repentance: A Definition

To repent means to turn. In the N.T. repentance means to turn from sin. We were called by God to turn from sin. There is true and false repentance. One is the sorrow of the world, ̄ a feeling induced by the fear of getting caught. Many people recognize the unpleasant consequences of their sin and are persuaded that they are guilty. This results in a superficial sorrow that may lead to a temporary reformation but not to a genuine turning to Christ for forgiveness. Godly sorrow, on the other hand, is accompanied by conviction of sin, the work of the Holy Spirit (see Acts 2:37). This stems from the realization of offending a holy God. It leads to genuine repentance.

Trocaire

As part of our practice over many years, during Lent we think again of the wider human family, especially those who suffer from hunger, drought, displacement, and other hardships outside our experience. This year Trocaire focuses on the theme of Climate Justice, especially as it effects the lives of those living in northern Ethiopia. Due to climate change much of Ethiopia today is a barren land, decimated by lack of rainfall and shortage of food. Organisations, such as Trocaire, make a huge difference to the lives of the people living there. However, Trocaire depends on your generosity. Please take home your Trocaire envelope today, open it, read the material, open the box and place it, as a reminder, on your dining table.

Drumlish Cemetery AGM

Our AGM has been re-scheduled to Wednesday 18th February at 8.30 pm in the Community Centre. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend. If there are no members of the public/parish present then we cannot hold our AGM and will have to re-schedule again. Than you for your support.

Ballinamuck National School Enrolment

Enrolment for Junior Infants for September 2015 will commence on Monday 23rd February to Friday 27th March at St Patrick's National School Ballinamuck. Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school.



Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him

Whats in a Word? Ashes

In the Old Testament, to "gird on sackcloth" and "roll in the ashes" is an act symbolic of mourning, sorrow and repentance. Sprinkling ashes on one's head as a token of repentance is found in First Book of Maccabees 3:47 (with fasting and the wearing of sackcloth along with wearing torn garments). Mourning and penitential practices involving ashes signify self-abasement and contrite self-humiliation