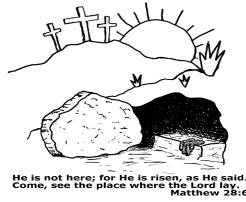


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"He who demands mercy and shows none burns the bridges over which he himself must later pass."

Thomas Adams

2nd Sunday of Easterô Divine Mercy (B)ô 12th April 2015

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Bernard McKenna, Cloonmacart
Sun 11.00: Gerry Donnelly
Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo
Fri 8.00: Willie/Theresa Caldwell
Sat 8.00: John/Margaret Kane
Sun 11.00: John Mulleady, late Derryheelan

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Brigid Donnelly and Cassidy Dfm.
2.30: John Dolan. Divine Mercy Novena
Mon 7.30: John Collum, Lettergullion
Tue 9.30: O'Callaghan Dfm
Wed 9.30: Frances Timoney & Dfm
Fri 7.30: James/Margaret Breslin & Rose Hardy
Sun 10.00: Harry Coyle, Shanmullagh

Note: Adoration & Confessions after Mass on Fridays

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat : Darren Quinn
Sun Dolores Kane

Communion Sat: Joe Caldwell
Sun: Brendan Murray

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Nuala McLoughlin
Communion Sun: Ryan McGee

Money Matters

Drumlish p1,180, Trócaire p2,040
Ballinamuck p490, Trócaire p835

**BE MERCIFUL TO ME, O GOD,
BECAUSE OF YOUR CONSTANT
LOVE.**
Psalm 51



- **Are you ASIST trained?** If so would you like to become part of a community volunteer group who want to promote positive mental health and suicide prevention? Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 21st April at 7.30 p.m. at the EDI Centre Longford. If at all possible we ask all A.S.I.S.T personnel to attend this important meeting.
- **Ballinamuck ICA AGM:** The AGM of the Guild will take place on Monday night April 13th at 8.30pm sharp in the meeting room upstairs in the '98 Hall. All present members are asked to attend and new members are always welcome to join our Guild.
- **Social Dancing.** End of season social dance night takes place in Drumlish Community Centre April 17th at 9pm. A night of waltz, jive, quick step etc. Come along join in the fun; money raised goes to support local organisations.
- **98 Hall Committee** meeting on Monday, April 20th at 9 p.m. All members please attend.
- **Afternoon Prayer with Eddie Stones,** St. Mary's Newtownforbes on Saturday 18th at 2 p.m.
- **Tidy Towns Easter Raffle:** thanks to all who supported our Easter Raffle. Congratulations to winner Sarah Rehill.

ACCORD—Marriage Support Training

Accord is seeking sensitive and caring people to train as Marriage Education Facilitators to help young people who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. If you are willing to give up some voluntary time to train in this area, ACCORD would love to hear from you. Applications are open to those who are currently married in the Catholic Church or currently in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church and can convey a positive attitude to marriage. Closing date for applications is 20th April 2015. Contact the ACCORD office on 043 3347222.

Divine Mercy

On the Second Sunday of Easter of the Jubilee Year 2000, at the Mass for the Canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska, Pope John Paul II proclaimed to the world that ðfrom now on throughout the Churchô this Sunday will be called ðDivine Mercy Sunday.ö The Church's doctrine of Divine Mercy, and her liturgical practices are not based on St. Faustina's revelations: they are based on Holy Scripture, the faith handed down by the apostles, and on liturgical traditions rooted in the worship life of the ancient, apostolic communities. "There is nothing that man needs more than Divine Mercy—that love which is benevolent, which is compassionate, which raises man above his weakness to the infinite heights of the holiness of God." St. John Paul II

If there is any good that I can do or any kindness that I can show, let me do it quickly, for I shall not pass this way again

(Philip Brooks)

Death

Pray for the repose of the soul of Elizabeth Brady, Creenagh whose funeral took place during the week. May she rest in peace.

Mass for Ireland Knock Basilica

There will be a Mass for Ireland for the protection of the sanctity of marriage, family and human life and for the well-being of our country on Saturday 25th April 3 p.m., with stations and Rosary from 2 p.m. For further information contact Bernie on 085-1661754 or email info@anteaghlachnaofa.ie. Further details on www.anteaghlachnaofa.ie. Please come and unite in prayer for our country.

THE EASTER CHALLENGE

*You believe because you can see ...
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.*
JOHN 20:29

Every year it happens:
earth shakes her sleepy head,
still a bit wintered and dull,
and feels new life stirring.

Every year cocoons give up their treasures,
fresh shoots push through brown leaves,
seemingly dead branches shine with green,
and singing birds find their way home.

Every year we hear the stories
empty tomb, surprise grievers,
runners with news and revelation,
unexpected encounters,
conversations on the road,
tales of nets filling with fish,
and breakfast on a seashore.

And every year
the dull and dead in us
meets our Easter challenge:
to be open to the unexpected,
to believe beyond our security,
to welcome God in every form,
and trust in our own greening.

Joyce Rupp