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# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



"He does not call those who are worthy, but those whom He will."

— Therese of Lisieux

4th Sunday of Easter (Vocations Sunday) Year C—17th April 2016

## Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sun 11.00: Gerry/Elizabeth Brady, Creenagh  
Rosemary Cummins, Brucklagh  
Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo  
Sat 11.00: John/Margaret Kane, Main St  
Tom Keogh, Cloonaugh

## Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Harry Coyle, Shanmullagh  
Mon 7.00: John Collum, Lettergullion  
Sun 10.00: Margaret Donnelly  
Patrick Prunty

## Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Theresa Scholfield  
Sun: Dympna Davis  
Communion Sat: Irene McNally  
Sun: Mary Gillooley

## Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Jamie Conboy  
Communion Sun: Kieran Duffy

## Money Matters

Drumlish €1409, Shrine €285; Ballinamuck €325  
Priests Dues €596; Trocaire €50. Thank you.  
Re: Priests Dues: Please make out cheques to the  
'clergy' or 'priests of the parish'. Special envelopes  
available at back of the Churches for those who don't  
use the normal envelope system.

## Monaduff Social Club

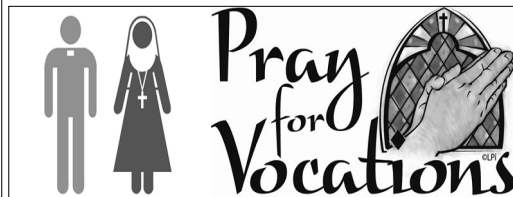
- The Annual day trip to the Boyne Valley and Drogheda is planned for Wednesday 11th May. There are seats still available. If interested in going please contact a committee member a.s.a.p
- The next meeting will be held on Monday 25th April at 8 p.m.
- The next social day will be in Monaduff on Saturday 30th April from 3—5 p.m.



- ♦ **Leitrim/West Cavan Branch of Down Syndrome** Ireland and Leitrim Branch of Irish Kidney Association will benefit from this year's 'Percy 's Party' event on Sat April 30th 8.45pm 'Moll' by John B. Keane & Sunday night May 1st 8.30pm Gala Concert with guest Eleanor Shanley in the Hunt Hall, Castle Street, Mohill. The songs, recitations and sketch's of Percy French are full of fun and wit so come along for some real fun for two very worthy causes.
- ♦ **Eddie Stones** will attend St Marys Church, Newtownforbes on Sat April 23 at 2 P.M.
- ♦ **Ballinamuck Enhancement:** Meeting this Wednesday night 20th at 8.30pm in the 98 Hall - open to all members of the community that would like to get involved everyone welcome
- ♦ **National Vetting Bureau** (Children and Vulnerable Persons) Act 2012 to 2016: This Act will finally commence on 29th April 2016 and will mean changes for groups. If you want to know how these changes will impact on your group, Longford Volunteer Centre are running a Garda Vetting information session on 20th April in the EDI Centre from 7-9pm. If you would like to book a place, e-mail Terri at terri@volunteerlongford.ie or call on 087 2915367.

## Baptisms

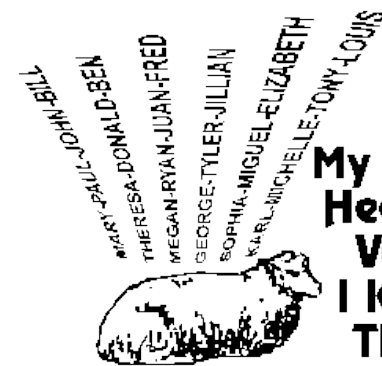
Florence Christina Walsh d/o Liam & Sharon, Aughadowry and Billy Michael McCann s/o Trevor & Lisa, 14 Millrace were baptised and welcomed into the faith family of our parish last weekend.



## Vocations Sunday

Today is vocations Sunday. While acknowledging the serious damage done to priesthood over the recent years because of the 'abuse' scandals, it would be wrong to dismiss the role of the priest as mediator and shepherd in the 'new Ireland' of today. We all need to hear of God's love and of his invitation to share in that love and to be embraced by that love. The following extract, written by Fr. Tom Clancy, is taken from Intercom, published by Veritas.

*Vocations Sunday: God's call to each person is individual. Some He invites to lay life. Others He calls to priesthood and religious life. The temptation is to grade and compare these invitations. Comparison destroys the appreciation of uniqueness. Today, we can focus on those called to priesthood. At a time when there is much social change and much questioning of the role of the priest in present day society, it is valuable to focus on a core role of the priest today. Priesthood is a gift of God to his people to enable us, as a community, to share fully in the Eucharist and through it to grow in an awareness of God's presence in every aspect of our lives. It is not given for the priest himself, but is a gift given for all through one individual. The world sees such a call as foolhardy and futile. To a person of faith, the call is one of love and mutual trust. We pray that God's call may be answered in many hearts this year.*



**My Sheep  
Hear My  
Voice  
I Know  
Them**

## Jesus is The Good Shepherd!

He knows the needs of His people.  
He hears their cry for help.

He comforts,  
He protects,  
He guides,  
He forgives,  
He heals, and  
He saves!

Will you be counted as one of His sheep?  
Will you trust Him as Lord of your life?

Then let His ways be your ways.  
Let happiness fill your words.  
Let hopefulness be your guide.  
Let His smile rest upon you.

For the Lord Jesus is the Good Shepherd!  
He will lead you through the valley, and

### You Shall Not Want!

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## Prayer of St. Ignatius

Teach us, Good Lord,  
To serve you as you deserve;  
To give and not to count the cost;  
To fight and not to heed the wounds;  
To labour and not to ask for any reward,  
save that of knowing that we do Thy will.  
Through Jesus Christ Our Lord,  
Amen.