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# Parish Newsletter Drumlish & Ballinamuck



*"The true greatness of any church is not how many it seats but how many it sends!"*

— Unknown

30th Sunday of Year C—23rd October 2016

## Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Jim/Mai/Mattie/Lizzie Creegan & Dfm  
Thur 9.30: Bridie & Richard Ryan  
Fri 8.00: Elizabeth & Bernie O'Hara, Cloonaugh  
Sun 11.00: Michael/Jack Corr, Kilnashee

## Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Michael Harte & Dolan Dfm  
Eamon Kerrigan & Kerrigan/Gray Dfm  
Fri 7.00: Mona/Peter/Mary Brady, Fardromin

## Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Mary Ross  
Sun: Ellie Halpin  
Communion Sat: Mary Gearty  
Sun: Brendan Murray

## Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Helen McKenna  
Communion Sun: Cora McKenna

## Offertory Collections

Drumlish €898, Prop. of Faith €150  
Ballinamuck €265, Prop of Faith €17. Sincere thanks.

## Mission Sunday



Today we celebrate Mission Sunday. 'Every Christian is a Missionary'. Pope Francis describes mission "as a passion for Jesus and a passion for his people." Our financial and spiritual help enables missionaries to breathe

faith, hope and charity into the lives of people who need it most. Our prayers and financial offerings on Mission Sunday go towards supporting missionaries and their mission projects where the Church is new, young or poor.



- **Arthritis Ireland:** The Longford Branch invites you to a free public lecture on Thurs 27th Oct, 7:30pm to 9:30pm. in the Family Centre, St Mel's Rd, Longford. Speakers: Chiro practitioners Dr Rodney & Dr Micah and Jennifer Delaney, Physiotherapist. Topic: Top Tips on managing the pain of Arthritis with Q&A session. Refreshments served. Enquiries to Mary 0871404200.
- **Table Quiz:** Ballinamuck Enhancement Table Quiz has been rescheduled for Friday 4th November at 9pm in Dillon's. Hope to see everyone there, your support would be very much appreciated.
- **Ballinamuck National School Annual Cake Sale** will take place at the school on Monday 24th October from 12.30 to 1.30 pm. We would appreciate your support and invite all members of the community to come to the school on Monday.
- **Found:** A sum of money was found outside St. Mary's Church on Saturday night last after Mass. Contact 0863530358.
- **Junior Halloween Disco** in aid of Drumlish Cemetery Fund takes place on Saturday, 29th Oct. from 4—6 p.m. in Drumlish Community Centre. Adm. €5 per child aged 2 and over. Free goody bags and numerous activities.
- **The Kiltycreevagh N.S. Re-union** committee wishes to extend a sincere thank you to all who helped to ensure that the recent Re-union celebration was such a resounding success. All who attended the weekend events enjoyed the occasion and were very appreciative of the opportunity to meet old friends, renew acquaintances and rekindle friendships. It proved to be an extra special event for those who hadn't met since leaving primary school.
- **Drumlish Ballinamuck Community Games AGM** will be held in the clubhouse, Monaduff on Monday 7th November at 8:30pm. Parents of participating children are requested to attend to ensure the future of Community Games in our area.

## Harvest Thanksgiving

Thanks to all who organised the celebration of the Harvest Thanksgiving last weekend.—the participants the hospitality group and the organisers. Its important that we should recognise our blessings and give thanks for such blessings.

## Baptism

Shane Jeremy McCormick s/o Jerome & Madeline, Fardromin was baptised and welcomed into our faith family last weekend. Congratulations to parents and child.

## Death

Pray for the soul of Mamie McDaid nee Carolan, late Cloonmacart who died in Mitcham, U.K. May she rest in peace.

## God be merciful to me, a sinner

Jesus has an uncanny way of turning everything upside down. The Pharisee saw himself as having earned God's affection. The tax collector was the collaborator, the one who took everything from his neighbours without shame or pity. A leper might be better received than a tax collector. Again, Jesus upturns all standards and values. It is what's inside a person's heart that matters. God be merciful to me a sinner. The tax collector has admitted his sins, is truly sorry for what he has done and what he has become. 'Be Merciful', he prays. Pope Francis tells us God's name is 'Mercy'. Jesus says the tax collector returned home at rights with God. Was he anymore liked or accepted by his fellow Jews? Life can be hard when people affix names and pass judgement on others. To be at peace within gives each of us a reason to get out of bed each morning. Knowing I am accepted, loved and forgiven fills my heart with a sense of belonging and deep joy. Knowing this is true of God's love for me is truly good news!

[Extract from Intercom: Fr. Declan O'Loughlin]

## Station Masses

Station Masses are very alive in some parishes, but there has been a decline in this parish in recent years. If you would like to host a station Mass for your area—inclusive of Ballinamuck and Drumlish—please contact Fr. Ber at 0868213422. Like the early Christians we are called on to share our faith and enrich the faith of others.

## Plant a Word Today

Plant a Word today,  
prepare another's heart  
then sow the seed of faith  
and watch what it will start.

Plant a Word today,  
spread the Gospel tract  
then water it with trust  
and others lives it will impact.

Plant a Word today,  
release the plan of peace  
then sprinkle it with hope  
and God's power it will release.

Plant a Word today,  
share the fruit of Christ's love  
then watch it grow up  
giving praise to God above.

Plant a Word today,  
it just takes one tiny seed . . .  
but with it you may harvest  
all someone's soul will ever need!

