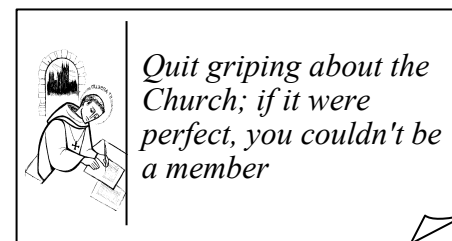


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Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A—26th March 2017

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Gerry Donnelly, Longford Rd.
Sun 11.00: Brendan Forde, Kilmahon
John William Corrigan, Main St.
Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo
Fri 8.00: Christy Kennedy & Dfm, Currabawn
Sun 11.00: Margaret Doris, Derryheelan
Frankie/Monica Mulleady, Cloonaugh

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Mary Ann McNerney, St. Patrick's Ct.
Fri 7.00: Packie Joe Lynch & Dfm, Lettergunnell
Sun 10.00: Brian McDermott, Gaigue

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Theresa Scholfield
Sun: Parents of First Communion
Communion Sat: Joe Caldwell
Sun: Brendan Murray

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Kay Culliney
Communion Sun: Ryan McGee

Money Matters

Drumlish €1250, Lenten Alms €60
Ballinamuck €665; Lenten Alms €20, Shrine €155
Priests Dues €175. Thank you.

World Meeting of Families 2018

The second national collection to support the planning and preparation for the World Meeting of Families will take place next weekend, 1st and 2nd April 2017. The World Meeting of Families promises to be an occasion that will reflect on the faith experience of families from many parts of the world and the challenges and celebrations which characterise the day-to-day family life. Please take home one of the leaflets at the exits of the Church which explains the nature and purpose of the event in Dublin in 2018.

Diary of Events

- **Bingo** " St Vincents Minor Club GAA MONSTER BINGO - Save the date - Sunday 2nd April 2017 - at 3pm in the '98 Hall, Ballinamuck. Your support would be much appreciated"
- **Eddie Stones** will attend St Marys Church , Newtownforbes on Sat April 8 at 2 P.M.
- **Ballinamuck community group walk** continues every Saturday morning at 10 am. Meet at the '98 hall car park, everyone welcome.
- **Ballinamuck Enhancement:** Date for your Diary: Good Friday, Easter Afternoon Tea Party in the 98 Memorial Hall after the 3 o'clock ceremony.
- **Summer time** begins this Sunday—Clocks go forward on Sunday morning.
- **Knock Shrine—Faith Renewal:** Special day 'Celebrating Family' day takes place on Saturday 8th April. See programme of events on poster on notice board.
- **Drumlish Heritage & History Society:** (DHHsOc) - are in the process of compiling a History of Drumlish Parish. Areas of focus will be place names, surnames, pre-names/Christian names that remain in families, the language of our local area: ways of speaking, accents and expressions. Information on place names, wells, fairy forts, rocks, hedge schools and ditches may be emailed to paucicgill@gmail.com or phone/text 086 4132363. Regarding the surnames/pre-names and ways of speaking contact 086 8141023
- **The 21st Pioneer National Ball** takes place on Sat 8th April 2017, in the Sheraton Athlone Hotel, which will be celebrated by Bishop Francis Duffy. Tickets €30. Guest Speaker: Jim Bolger. Music by Nite Fever. Contact 087-6189411 or 085-7201646
- **The Diocesan Safeguarding Conference** will take place on Tuesday, April 4th at 7. 30 pm. in St. Mel's College, Longford. Guest Speaker: Breda O'Brien, Irish Times Columnist. All are welcome.#
- **St Helen's Under 12** training starts this coming Monday 27th of March at 6-30 on the Astro Pitch beside Drumlish N.S
- **Monster Spring Clean in Drumlish** on Sat. 8th April. Help— Gloves and pickers will be provided.

Mission Awareness and Appeal

Fr. Derry Murphy on behalf of the Pallottine Missions thank you for your welcome and generous response to his appeal last weekend which totalled €1,423.85.

Parish Census

As has been flagged earlier, the Parish Pastoral Council , with the help of other volunteers, will distribute and collect 'Parish Census Forms' in the near future This is to enable the parish to update records. It is not too invasive, requiring just basic information. We ask all parishioners to fill in the form. All information will be treated with the strictest confidence. Sincere thanks for your cooperation.

World Meeting of Families

There will be a second collection after Communion next weekend to help finance the *World Meeting of Families* which takes place from 22nd to 26th August 2018 in Dublin. There are leaflets at the exits of the Church which give information about the celebration, the need for volunteers, preparation and planning. Please take home and read.

The Gospel According to You

The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John Are read by more than a few, But the one that is most read and commented on Is the gospel according to you.

You are WRITING a gospel, a chapter each day By the things that you do and the words that you say, Men read what you write, whether faithless or true, Say, what is the gospel according to you?

Do men read His truth and His love in your life, Or has yours been too full of malice and strife? Does your life speak of evil, or does it ring true? Say, what is the gospel according to you?

Monaduff Social Club

- A Coffee Morning is being held in Padraig Loughrey's Pharmacy on Friday next, 31st March from 10 am to 2 pm. We thank Padraig and the staff for the support.
- Planning is afoot for a 3 night stay away in Galway Bay Hotel from 3rd to 6th September—if interested, please give your name to a committee member as soon as possible.

Re-scheduled Auction in aid of Cemetery Development Fund

Big Auction tonight (Saturday) in Quinns at 9:00pm, followed by music with Tom Moran. Free Admission and Door Prizes. Wide range of auction items with a price range starting from €20, a lot of everyday items that we all use and need, so something to suit everyone.

Confirmation Ceremony

Congratulations to the young people who received their Confirmation from Bishop Francis Duffy on Friday last. We thank their families, their teachers and Mel Crowe who helped in this fitting celebration. The following were confirmed:

Jamie Crowe	Aoife Cummins
Eoghan Curwin	Jennifer Louise Doyle
Reece A. Galvin	Declan Hagan
Dione Higgins	Paul Horgan
Chloe Jordan	Eirean Kearney
Cody Lee	Eva McGee
Enda McKeon	Kellsley Mears
Brooke Molloy	Jamie Nertney
Mikie O'Neill	William Pompa
Cian Patrick Tierney	Alanis Walsh
Anthony Bohan	Sean Conboy
Aaron Conboy	Leah Connell
Ciara Culliney	Kaelum Gill
Padraig Lillis	Kellie McPartland
Rory McEvoy	Megan McQuaive
Sean Mulligan	Eoin Murtagh
Amanda Quinn	Niall Tuohey