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Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



Our children are watching us live, and what we are shouting louder than anything we can say.

Wilfred Peterson

First Sunday of Advent Year C— 2nd December 2018

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Danny Grimes & Dfm, Drumlish Hill
Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo
Fri 8.00: Vigil: Feast of Immaculate Conception
Marian Campbell
Sat 11.00: Feast of Immaculate Conception
8.00: Alex/Kathleen/Pat Ross
Sun 11.00: James/Mary Dunleavy
Frank Courtney, Drumlish Hill
Maureen Courtney, Drumlish Hill

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Brigid/Michael O'Toole
James/Francis/Mary Ann/Peter McKenna
Fri 7.00: James Murphy, MM, Gaigue
Sat 10.00: Feast of Immaculate Conception
Sun 10.00: Michael/Kathleen McLoughlin & Dfm

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Kathleen Kelleher
Sun: Dympna Davis
Communion Sat: Bernadette Noonan
Sun: Mary Gillooley


Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Kay Culliney
Communion Sun: Bridie Reilly

Money Matters

Drumlish €892, Heating €619, Shrine €220;
Ballinamuck €370, Heating €255;
Nov Dues €84. Thank you.

Advent

 This Sunday we begin the season of Advent, the four weeks of preparation for the Birth of Christ. It is also the beginning of the Liturgical Year. Readings for the Sunday Masses for the coming year are from Year C. It's a good time to make a fresh start.



- **Ballinamuck Community Christmas Party** will be held on Sunday 9th of December, in the 98 Hall from 2-6pm. No personal invitations but all are welcome to join. Anyone willing to entertain please contact Fiona O'Toole (Chairperson) 0876812760 or Martha Bohan (Secretary) 0861248863. The Christmas party group thank everyone who supported our recent church gate collection which raised €471.30.
- **St. Mary's N.S. Enrolment** forms for Junior Infants for September 2019 can be collected from the office from Monday November 19th. All completed applications must be returned to the school by 12 noon Thursday February 28th 2019.
- **Simplifying Funding Applications:** A 2 day interactive training workshop beginning on Sat. 12th & Sat. 19th January 2019 in the EDI Centre from 9am to 4pm both days. To book a place Contact Longford Community Resources CLG 043-3345555 or Email—leader1420@lrl.ie (As places are limited, numbers attending per group may be restricted).
- **DB Men's Shed** continues Thursday evening at 8pm. First Christmas social night out Dec 8th in Quinn's. Wood workshop nearing completion. Anyone interested in get involved please contact any members. Football for Men takes place in Drumlish Com Centre Dec 11th 12- 1pm.
- **St Helens AGM** will be held on Sunday the 02nd to December in Monaduff at 12 noon. We hope to see all parents and players there. All support is greatly appreciated
- **Bingo** continues every Tuesday night in 98 Hall at 8.30pm. Extra prizes for Christmas will be given on each page starting Tuesday Dec 4th with luxury hamper on 18th. Support please.
- **St. Vincent de Paul** Church gate collection takes place next weekend of 8th/9th December.
- **First Friday is next week.** The sick/housebound will be attended in Ballinamuck on Thursday and in Drumlish on Friday. If there are any parishioners who would like to be attended each month, please contact Fr. Ber or any of the Pastoral Council.

- **Longford Social Services annual Church Gate Collection** will be held on Sat. 15th and Sun. 16th December. This collection is necessary to provide meals on wheels in our area and provide transport services to and from hospitals, clinics and St. Joseph's Care Centre.
- **St Patrick's NS Ballinamuck School enrolment** for 2019/2020 commences on 12th Dec. 2018. If you wish to enroll your child please contact the school by email: ballinamucknschool@gmail.com or Ph. 043 3324063
- **Drumlish/Ballinamuck Women's Shed** are hosting a Christmas Flower demonstration on Monday the 10th Dec.at 8 p.m. in the Men's Shed. Everybody welcome.
- **Christmas Craft Fair in Ennybegs CC.** On Sunday December 2nd. Time 10am -3pm. Enquiries to Roisin Lennon. 0863501339.

Death

Pray for the repose of the soul of Danny McGee s/o Don & Coleen who died tragically in N.Y. during the week Our sympathies to his family and young friends. May he rest in peace.

Life After Loss

A Grief and Bereavement Support Group is a non Denominational Support Group offering support, friendship, understanding and acceptance in a safe and confidential setting—or just an opportunity for people to come and discuss Danny. This will be held in Monaduff Clubhouse on Friday night 7th December 2018 at 8pm—this will be facilitated by Sarah Cox a bereavement counsellor from IACP and is open to everyone who wants to attend., Young and old welcome. Free to everyone and is sponsored by Fr Manning Gaels GFC.



Safeguarding Message for Advent 2018

When he visited us Pope Francis spoke very movingly about the suffering and pain of those who were abused in our Church. "None of us can fail to be moved by the stories of young people who suffered abuse, were robbed of their innocence, were separated from their mothers, and were left scarred by painful memories. This open wound challenges us to be firm and decisive in the pursuit of truth and justice". He complimented the work of our Parish and Diocesan Safeguarding Representatives and our priests and religious who "with the help of the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Church in Ireland, ... have set in place a stringent set of norms aimed at ensuring the safety of young persons". I thank all who keep these standards to the forefront of our Church activities. I thank you for your vigilance and your commitment to making our Church as safe as possible for children. I encourage anyone with concerns regarding the safety of children or anyone who suffered in the past to contact our Designated Liaison Person, Sean Leydon (087-7431649) or our Deputy Designated Liaison Person, Róisín O'Doherty (087-7057516).

Clean Up



On Wednesday, 12th December at 7.30 p.m. there will be a 'big clean up' in Drumlish & Ballinamuck churches. Volunteers are asked to bring dusters, buckets, mops, scrapers and any other implement required for a thorough clean up of our Churches for Christmas. Remember, the state of our churches reflects the faith and commitment of the people who worship there.

Feast of Immaculate Conception

Saturday is the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Vigil Mass in Drumlish on Friday at 8 p.m. Masses on Saturday in Ballinamuck at 10 a.m. and Drumlish at 11 a.m.

