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Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



*There are times when you
have to change your tune
to keep harmony*

20th Sunday of Year C — 18th August 2019

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sun 11:00: Peggy Dunleavy, MM. Cartron
Mon 9:30: Misa Pro Populo
Fri 8:00: Mary/Jim Kenny & Mike Crowe
Sat 8:00: Anthony/Vera Courtney & Davis/
Courtney dfm, Cloonaugh
Brigid Mimmagh, MM. Kilnashee
Michael/Agnes Reilly, Currabawn
Sun 11:00: Dodie/David/Helen Ledwith

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10:00: Margaret Donnelly & dfm
Edward/Brigid Masterson

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Kathleen Kelleher
Sun: Marie McKeon
Communion Sat: Kathleen Gill
Sun: Pat Corrigan

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Nuala McLoughlin
Communion Sun: Cora McKenna

Money Matters

Offertory €905, Shrine €205, Pentecost Dues €100.
Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

Drumlish Marquee



- **Drumlish Ballinamuck Women's Shed** are holding a clothes collection on Tuesday 20th August 2019 (time to be arranged) at Drumlish Community Centre. If you need bags collected please contact a member of committee. **Drumlish Ballinamuck Women's Shed** have arranged a Day Trip to Athlone on Saturday 24th August, 2019 which includes a Boat Trip on the Shannon & shopping time after lunch. Cost €10 per person (lunch not included). Bus leaves Drumlish @ 10.30 a.m. seats are limited to 12. If you are interested please contact a committee member.
- **Marquee Monster Bingo:** Celebrating the Annual Monster Bingo in conjunction with the Marquee in Drumlish will take place this Sunday 18th August in the 98 Hall at 3 p.m. Prize money of €2,500 plus monster raffle. Proceeds from this year's bingo go the Meals on Wheels, Longford.
- **St. Vincent's Minor Football Club** have rescheduled their Parish league to Saturday 7th September starting at 12 noon.
- **Mohill Computer Training Information Session** on Tuesday 27th August at 10.30am in Mohill Enterprise Centre. Call 071 9632024 or email naomi@mct.ie
- **Thank you to the Ballinamuck Olde Fare Day** for your donation. All defibrillators in our parish are now serviced and fully operational if you wish to help in any way please contact a member of the committee. Paddy 0879613312

Congratulations to all the Leaving Cert students from the Parish who received their results during the week. We wish you well in whatever career you choose. Priesthood and Religious Life, despite its negative media image, is still a fantastic call that can bring enrichment and fulfillment, not only to your own personal journey, but also to the lives of others you may encounter on that journey. Give it a thought!

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock



The Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 1st September. Ceremonies begin with Anointing of the sick at 2.30 followed by Mass at 3 p.m. led by Bishop Francis Duffy. A bus will

leave from Ballymahon St. Longford (Heaton's) at 11 a.m. Return fare €10 and can be booked through the Parish. As we prepare for our Diocesan Assembly in May 2020 this is a good opportunity to thank God for his many blessings and to ask his guidance re: the upcoming Assembly.

Up for the Challenge!

Defending the Gospel is especially challenging in times of cultural upheaval. Such is the case in Ireland today, where the Church's understanding of marriage and unborn life no longer finds expression in civil law. Our social leaders would like to consign the challenging aspects of the Church's magisterium to a muddy well. As in the First Century, socio-religious tensions are most keenly felt within the home. None of us enjoy discord, but it often yields positive results. The Swiss psychoanalyst Carl Jung believed that 'life is born in the spark of opposites.' Arguably, we can fulfil our prophetic calling only from the margins of society. [Extract: Intercom]

"The best portion of a good man's life, his little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love."

(William Wordsworth)

The Mind

*The mind which never held a seed
Will only grow a useless weed.
Who cultivates a fertile mind
Will have a crop of wealth to find
And every seed grown tall and trim
Is but to view the soul of him.*

*I knew a man whose mind was keen
He planted it, but in between
The furrow, where he had allowed,
He never hoed... he never ploughed;
And weeds grew up, and so assailed
The good of him until he failed.*

*A mind is nothing but a field
Which, if it ever is to yield,
Need cultivation—careful, sure...
If seeds, and not the weeds, endure!*

- Christine G. Curless

An unknown author writes:

*A successful man is one who has tried,
not cried;
who has worked,
not dodged;
who has shouldered responsibility,
not evaded it;
who has gotten under the burden,
not merely stood off looking on,
giving advice and philosophising
on the situation.*