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Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



"The back door beckons
to a prodigal son."

— Michael Davidow

24th Sunday of Year C — 15th September 2019

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8:00: Michael/Mary/Sheila Cooney, Breanrisk
Georgina McCormack, MM, Currabawn
Sun 11:00: Benny Carolan
Jim Pat Lennon, Kilmahon
Mon 9:30: Misa Pro Populo
Fri 8:00: Elizabeth/Con/Sean Blessing & Dfm

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10:00: Harvest Thanksgiving
Fri 7:00: Bridgie/Tommy McGee,
McGee/McPartland dfm

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Collette Brennan
Sun: Ellie Halpin
Communion Sat: Irene McNally
Sun: Bernadette Noonan

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Coleen Quinn
Communion Sun: Mary Breslin

Money Matters

Offertory €1900, Harvest Dues €510, Shrine €328.
Sincere thanks for your continued generosity.

Harvest Thanksgiving



The Harvest Thanksgiving will take place at 11 am Mass this Sunday in Drumlish and at 10 am Mass Ballinamuck **next** Sunday. It will be followed by a 'cuppa' in the Parochial House. Thanks to the organising committee for all their work.

God answers our prayers not because we are good but because HE is good.



- **Beginning Experience weekend 18-20 October** for people who have lost a spouse through death, divorce or separation Esker Retreat Centre Athenry; Phone Maureen 0876646896 or Josie 0879881143!!
- **The newly developed KEELDRA LAKE TRAIL** is opening on Sunday 15th September, commencing at 2pm. Music by the Looney Hoppers and refreshments served on the day. Please come and re-live past memories, share stories, meet old friends and enjoy all of what this great amenity has to offer. Everyone welcome
- **Longford Pro-Life meeting** at John Browne's Pub, Longford town on Thursday, 19th of September at 8.30pm. For enquiries call Edward on 089 4634558. Pro Life Healing Mass followed by veneration of St Pio's glove on Thursday 19th of September in St Aidan's Church, Butlersbridge, Cavan at 7.30pm.
- **Ballinamuck Choir** : Hope ye all enjoyed summer break. We will have a practice this Sunday after Mass. Choir will resume Sunday 22nd new members welcome.
- **DB Men's Shed** are holding a coffee morning in aid of the Irish Hospice on Sept 20th in the Shed from 10-12 noon. Drop in, have a cuppa with friends and support a good cause.
- **The Irish Cancer Society** is looking for volunteers to drive patients to and from their chemotherapy treatments in all public hospitals nationwide. Volunteers will need their own car but all expenses are paid. Contact www.cancer.ie or Laura on 01 2310 594 or email transport@irishcancer.ie
- **Longford Branch of the Alzheimer Society** of Ireland Church Gate Collection will be held on Saturday & Sunday 21st / 22nd September.
- **Breath Stretch & Relax** Chair and Standing exercises next 2 Thursday nights 19th/26th Sep. in the Mill Bar Drumlish at 7.30. Contact 0872868254
- **Drumlish Ballinamuck Women's Shed** thank all who contributed to our clothes collection in August. We are hoping to set up a Pickle Ball Club, catering for all ages from 8 to 80. More details later.

- **Mohill Computer Training** – QQI Level 5 Full time. Part Time - QQI Level 3 in Computing starting on Monday 23rd September March from 10 am to 1pm (Monday to Thursday) each week for 4 weeks. Limited places available. Evening Courses in early October including – Internet Security with Basic Computing and Digital Photography. ☎ 071-9632024, email: info@mct.ie

Baptism

Kieran Thomas Mullervy s/o Terry & Natasha, Derawley was baptised and welcomed into our faith community during the week. Congratulations and best wishes to all concerned.

Death

Pray for the soul of Colm Shaughnessy, Lettergunnell whose funeral took place during the week. May he rest in peace.

The Tramp



Evangelist J. Wilbur Chapman recounted a testimony given by a man in one of his meetings. The man said, "I got off at the train depot one day as a tramp. For a year I had begged on the streets. Badly in need of food, I

touched a man on the shoulder and said, 'Mister, please give me a dime.' As soon as I saw his face, I recognized my aging father. "Don't you know me?' I asked. Throwing his arms around me, he cried, 'Oh, my son, I have found you at last! All I have is yours!' Think of it—I was a tramp who begged for 10 cents from a man I didn't know was my father, when for 18 years he had been looking for me to give me all he possessed!"

[Our Daily Bread]

Bishop William O'Higgins Heritage Project



The project is well under way having been approved for LEADER funding to the tune of 75% of the total cost. The sculptor is Dublin based Dony Mac Manus who has just completed a commission of St Oliver Plunkett for Armagh Cathedral. A few fundraisers are scheduled over the next 9 months to help bridge the funding gap. The first is a sponsored WALK-A-THON of 10 and 5 Kilometres on Sunday October 13th at 2pm. Sponsor Cards available local library and shops. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Ardagh & Clonmacnois Diocesan Assembly

The first meeting of the delegates to the Diocesan Assembly to be held next May took place today (Saturday). There will be two follow up meetings of the delegates over the year. The Delegates in turn will try to gauge the concerns of the people in their respective parishes over that time so that a fuller picture of 'the health of our faith communities' can be assessed and then to formulate a plan or vision for the future. The delegates from the parish of Drumlish/Ballinamuck are: Paul McCormack, Martha Duffy, Rachel Cooney, Cathal Brennan, Patrick Kiernan. More about the assembly as the year progresses. Continue to pray to the Holy Spirit for wisdom and guidance.

NOTHING
that has happened to you
is a surprise to **GOD**.

God will still get you to
where you're supposed to be.