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Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



Treat everyone with politeness and kindness, not because they are nice, but because you are.

— Roy T. Bennett

First Sunday of Advent Year A - 1st December 2019

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8:00: Jimmy/Mollie Mollaghan, Cartron
Danny Grimes, Drumlish Hill
Pat/Jane Quinn & Gerry/Kathleen Murphy
Sun 11:00: Brian Joe/Brigid Campbell
Michael/Jack Corr, Kilnashee
Mon 9:00: Misa pro Populo
Fri 8:00: Marion Campbell
Sat 8:00: John/Agnes/James/Joseph Kenny
Michael/John/Brigid Cronin
Brady Deceased, Moyne
Sun 11:00: Courtney Deceased, Drumlish Hill

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10:00: Michael/Kathleen McLoughlin & dfm
James McKenna, Kiltycreevagh
Fri 7:00: Terry McKenna & Dfm, Kiltycreevagh
Sun 10:00: Michael/Brigid O'Toole

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Rosa Collum & Conf. Class
Sun: Billy Kelleher & Conf. Class
Communion Sat: Kathleen Gill
Sun: Marian McNally

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Nuala McLoughlin & Conf. Class
Communion Sun: Bridie Reilly

Money Matters

Offertory €1122, Dues €249, Heating €879. Thanks to all who continue to support our church each week.

Advent



This Sunday is the beginning of Advent and the new Church year. Readings for Sundays are from Cycle A and weekdays Cycle 2.

The blessing of the Advent wreath and candles will take place during our Mass.



- **Ballinamuck Bingo** continues every Tuesday night in 98 Hall at 8.30pm. Extra prizes for Christmas will be given on each page starting Tuesday 3rd Dec with luxury hamper on 17th Dec. Your support would be appreciated.
- **Ballinamuck Community Christmas Party** will be held next Sunday 8th of December, in the 98 Hall from 2-6pm. No personal invitations but all are welcome to join. If anyone requires transport or is willing to entertain please contact Fiona O'Toole (Chairperson) 0876812760 or Martha Bohan (Secretary) 0861248863. Thanks to all who contributed €456.90 to last Sunday's church gate collection.
- **Advent Retreat Day, Galilee Spirituality Centre**—The Wonder of Creation, the Miracle of Life, with Sr Nellie McLaughlin. Sr Nellie McLaughlin, M. Div. is a sister of Mercy and author of Out of Wonder, the evolving Story of the universe and Life's Delicate Balance (Veritas). December 7th from 10.30am-3.30pm All welcome. Cost €30 including a light lunch. Booking and enquiries info@galilee.ie 071-966-4101.
- **Christmas flower demonstration** on Monday 2nd Dec. at 8 p.m with Mary Gillooley in Mens Shed. There will be a raffle on the night. Bring a friend.
- **Ballinamuck Foróige Juniors** are having a fundraiser this Sunday, 1st December in Dillon's from 5pm - 8pm to enable them finish off the new Astro turf in Ballinamuck. They need to raise €5,000 approx. to complete the job, e.g. for netting and goals etc. This will be a fun evening for all the family, with The Looney Hoppers providing the entertainment. Raffle with lots of prizes. Adm. is optional, but support very essential.
- **First Friday** calls on Thursday in Ballinamuck and Drumlish on Friday. If there are housebound who would like this monthly call, please contact Fr. Ber at 0868213422.
- **Fr Manning Gaels will hold their AGM** on Saturday, 14th of December at 9pm in Monaduff Clubhouse. Everyone welcome.

- **The SVP Annual Church Gate Collection** is on Sat/Sun 7th and 8th December.
- **Monaduff Social Club Christmas party** will take place this Sunday 2.30 to 6.30 p.m. in Monaduff.

Board of Management Ballinamuck N.S.

The following are the members of the new Board of Management for St. Patrick's N.S. Ballinamuck: Ms. Bríd Mínnagh (Chairperson), Fr. Ber Hogan, Ms. Dolores Tuohy, Ms. Catherine McNerney, Mr. Pat O'Toole, Ms. Lorraine McKenna, Mr. Tommy Leslie, Ms. Pauline Larkin. Welcome to the new Board and sincere gratitude to the outgoing Board for their commitment and service to the school over the past four years.

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WIVES	HUSBANDS	ARK
FIELDS	WOMEN	MILLSTONE
AWAKE	BURGLAR	READY



Advent Safeguarding Message 2019 + Bishop Francis Duffy

Arising from the preparations for our Diocesan Assembly 2020 it is very clear that 'family' is a central concern for people. Advent is a time of preparation to celebrate the beginnings of a special family, 'the Holy Family' of Mary and Joseph and Jesus. Special, as it is the place where the Son of God came among us. Special also, because it is like any other family with its mixtures of joys and sorrows, happiness and burdens. As a local Church we work towards having safe environments for children in our activities. Places where parents can be reassured their children will be safe, treated with respect and valued. Many are involved at parish and diocesan level to maintain these standards. 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).

Offertory Boxes 2020



Because of the new Data Protection regulations it is no longer acceptable to leave the offertory boxes in the Churches for collection. It is now required that these boxes

be distributed to households or families. I am now asking for a volunteer from each townland or housing estate to help with the distribution of boxes for the 2020 season. The envelope system is essential in order to avail of the tax reclaim benefits that accrue. Most parishes now rely on volunteers to distribute these packets of envelopes—I trust that the people of Drumlish/Ballinamuck will offer their services too. Contact or text Fr. Ber at 0868213422 if you are willing to help with the distribution of envelopes. Thank you