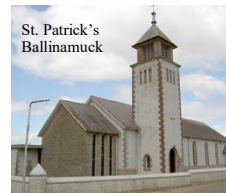


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# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



"Let everyone sweep in front of his own door, and the whole world will be clean."  
Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Fifth Sunday of Lent Year A - 29th March 2020

## Mass Intentions

Because celebration of public Masses is prohibited for the duration of the Covid-19 outbreak, Mass will be offered privately (*with no congregation*) for the intentions which have been booked already. The Mass intentions will be published each week on the parish Newsletter. You can access the Parish Newsletter on the Parish Web at [www.drumlishparish.ie](http://www.drumlishparish.ie). If you wish to cancel or defer the Mass to a later date, please contact or text me at 0868213422.

Sun 29th March: Margaret /Paddy Duffly  
Mon 30th March: Private Intention  
Tue 31st March: Christy Kennedy & dfm  
Wed 1st April: Jim/Mary/Jim Jnr. Rogers  
Thur 2nd April: For the People of the Parish  
Fri 3rd April: Packie Joe Lynch & dfm.  
Sun 5th April: Daniel Sorohan

**Note: You may wish to visit the church at some time during the day of the intention and unite your prayers and intentions to the Mass which is celebrated privately.**

## Palm Sunday



Next Sunday is Palm (Passion) Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. It is our 'passion' time now and, as followers of Jesus Christ, we are invited to unite this passion or time of suffering with that of Christ.

This time calls for a deep faith or a rekindling of faith where it has waned. As there will be no Mass, I ask you to cut a piece of palm, place it in a vase, place that in a prominent place in your house and bless (sprinkle) it with Holy Water at lunch time. With your family, pause and reflect for a quiet moment.



- ♦ **Offertory Envelopes** for the upkeep of Parish Property and the Dues Envelopes for the upkeep of the priests of the parish can be held over or dropped into the Parochial House Drumlish whenever you are passing by. Thank you for your understanding.
- ♦ **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:** ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.
- ♦ **First Friday**—there will be no house calls this week due to the coronavirus. Keep safe all.

## Prayer for a Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake.  
May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable.  
May we who have the luxury of working from home remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.  
May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close remember those who have no options.  
May we who have to cancel our trips remember those that have no safe place to go.  
May we who settle in for a quarantine at home remember those who have no home.  
As fear grips our country, let us choose love.  
During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other,  
Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours. Amen. [Cameron Bellm]

## Mass Broadcasts

- † Mass will be available by webcam at St. Mel's Cathedral [www.longfordparish.com](http://www.longfordparish.com) each day—8am, 10am, 1.05pm weekday 7.30pm Saturday; 8am, 10am, 11.30am and 1.00 pm Sundays.
- † RTE will air Masses every weekday at 10.30am from St. Eunan's and St. Columba's Cathedral, Letterkenny on RTE News Now which can be accessed on Saorview (channel 21), Sky (521), Virgin Media (200), Eir (517).
- † RADIO MARIA IRELAND is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – all commercial free – Listen via TV on Saorview - Channel 210 and Freeview - Channel 826; Download our FREE APP - "RADIO MARIA IRELAND", streaming on [www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie)
- † St. Mary's Church Drumlish remains open every day for those who wish to drop in to offer a prayer. The heating will be on from 10.30 to 12.30 each day. You can pray the Rosary, Stations of the Cross, or just sit in silence and let the Lord Jesus speak quietly into your heart; you are encouraged to continue to pray at home with your family and especially for those who are sick and those who care for them.

## Act of Spiritual Communion

**"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen"**

## The Raising of Lazarus

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LAZARUS  
BETHANY  
SISTERS  
MARTHA  
MARY  
OINTMENT  
FEET  
BROTHER  
JUDAEA  
TOMB  
STONE  
PRAYER



## Deaths

Pray for the repose of the souls of Geraldine Heslin, Cartron whose tragic death occurred last week; also for Maureen Whyte, Ardagh, mother of Bernice Mollaghan, Cartron—may they rest in peace.