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# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



Holy Week



*In a time of crisis, the peoples  
of the world must rush to get  
to know each other.*

- Jose Martí

Passion (Palm) Sunday of Lent Year A- 5th April 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 5th April: Daniel Sorohan  
Mon 6th April: For the people of the Parish  
Tue 7th April: Joyce Dfm, Recess/Connemara  
Mallon Dfm, Barragbeg

**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.**

## Funeral Regulations

Arising from Government statements 31st March 2020 the following are the current regulations regarding funeral services:

- ♦ Immediate family members not exceeding 10 persons may attend funeral services, burial and cremations.
- ♦ The social distancing regulation of 2 metres continues to apply.
- ♦ Individual parishes may need to put in place special restrictions to respond to specific local circumstances e.g. a small church.
- ♦ At a funeral Mass the sign of peace is not exchanged by a handshake and Holy Communion is not to be distributed.
- ♦ These regulations apply to all funerals including those arising out of COVID-19 deaths.

*In God's eyes, love is never absent.  
In God's heart, forgiveness is  
never impossible. In God's embrace,  
no one is ever alone or forgotten.*



- ♦ **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.

## Palm Sunday & Holy Week

- \* Today we celebrate Passion (Palm) 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 sacrifice with that of Christ. As there will be no public celebration of 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 family, pause and reflect for a quiet moment.
- \* Alongside the broadcasts listed in the next column, I will continue to celebrate the Easter Liturgies from my house on Facebook. I will post the different events and their timing on Facebook the previous day and will endeavour not to clash with the televised events from RTE. I thank you for your support and positive reaction to the airing of Mass on Facebook.
- \* This week is an opportunity to experience in a real way the Passion of Jesus Christ and his sense of isolation as we struggle with the impact of the coronavirus and a sense of isolation. AMDG

## Mass Broadcasts Holy Week

- † 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.
- † RADIO MARIA IRELAND is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. 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)
- † Fr. Ber will air Mass live from his house on Facebook at 10 a.m. each morning, unless otherwise stated. To date, there has been very good reaction to this new venture. AMDG Also, the Parish Newsletter can be accessed via Facebook
- † Drumlish and Ballinamuck churches 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.
- † RTE Programme of Events for Holy Week  
**Holy Thursday Mass** of the Lord's Supper 4.40 pm. (RTÉ One TV and RTÉ Radio 1 Extra / LW252 / Digital Radio platforms. The Mass will air on radio at the later time of 19.00.)  
**Good Friday** Father Derek Darby commemorates the Passion and death of Christ. 4 p.m. (RTÉ One TV & RTÉ Radio 1Extra/LW252)  
**Holy Saturday** Easter Vigil Mass 10 p.m. (RTÉ Two & RTÉ Radio 1 Extra/LW252).  
**Easter Sunday** Mass. 10 a.m. (RTÉ One & RTÉ Radio 1 Extra).

## 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 Triumphal Entry

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" Luke 19:38 (NIV)



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**F**or God so loved  
the world  
that He gave  
His one and only  
Son,

that whoever believes in Him  
shall not perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

## Holy Week Reflection: To be a Christian!

It is silence when our words would hurt;  
It is patience when we're being hurt;  
It is deafness when scandal flows;  
It is thoughtfulness for another's woes; -  
It is sharing whatever little we have; and  
It is being kind rather than being right most of the  
time.