

32nd Year of Ordinary Time Year A - 8th November 2020

Mass Times & Intentions

Due to the level 3 Covid-19 restrictions there will be no public celebration of Mass for the present. Anniversary masses which have been booked will be streamed on the Parish Webcam or alternatively may be cancelled or booked for a later date. Because of no public celebration of Mass, the Saturday/Sunday may be booked again for streaming until further notice.

Mass for the following intentions will be streamed on: Saturday 8pm: Brigid Dillon, Longford Rd. Sunday 11 am: John/Mary Ann Davis, Gaigue Phil Davis, Longford Rd. Monday 10am: Pat/Ann Keane, Main St. Tuesday 10am: Private Intention Wednesday 10 am: Private Intention Friday 10 am: Eleanor Reynolds, Longford Rd. Sunday 11 am: Jack/Sarah McCormack

Masses will be streamed on the Parish Webcam as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 10 a.m. Friday & Saturday 8 p.m. Sunday 11 a.m.

Sacraments 2021

In 2021 the Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered by the parish priest, following the norms and regulations in operation at the time. In parishes where Confirmation is held every second year it may be worth considering having the sacrament for pupils of sixth class only. It is important for all involved to be aware that ceremonies may have to be postponed at short notice. *[Bishop's Office]*

Dates for your Diary 2021

First Communion

Saturday, 8th May—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck Saturday, 15th May—St. Mary's Drumlish

Confirmation:

Saturday, 22nd May—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck Saturday, 29th May—St. Mary's Drumlish

Covid-19 Public Regulations Update

The following are the implications for Church practice in line with Government regulations relating to Level 3 Covid-19:

- Public Masses cannot be celebrated from midnight 6th October 2020.
- * The following exceptions are allowed:
- (a) Funeral Masses with up to 25 mourners.(b) Marriages with up to 25 guests.
- * Churches may remain open for private prayer, with adequate sanitising measures.

The public health guidelines mention 25 mourners at funerals and 25 guests at marriages, these figures do not include the priest, sacristan, ushers etc. they are in addition to the twenty five persons allowed. Details on Level Three are to be found at ww.gov.ie

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE, a national support line, offers support for older people who have concerns relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

November a Month for Remembering

If you wish to have your loved ones remembered during November, please fill in form (at back of church) and drop into the box in front of the altar.



Offertory $\notin 660$, November Dues $\notin 380$, Mission Sunday $\notin 160$, Shrine $\notin 100$. Thank you for your continued support, particularly in these difficult times when many of you have your own challenges.

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Prisoner's Sunday—Today

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Prison's Week was formed to pray for and raise awareness of the needs of prisoners and their families, victims of offenders, prison staff and all those who care. We invite you to pray and reflect with us each day during Prisons Week, but also ask

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yourself, what is the one thing that I as an individual or we as a church, can do to help any of the people that we are praying for?

The Shutting Down of Public Worship!

Shortly after 9am on the 29th October 2020, three **Catholics were murdered inside Notre Dame Basilica**, Nice. The first victim, Vincent Loques, the basilica's 55-year-old sacristan and father of two, had his throat slit. Brazilian-born Simone Barreto Silva, a 44-year-old mother of three was stabbed multiple times and died of her wounds in a nearby café, after sounding the alarm. Parishioner Nadine Devillers, a 60-year-old woman, was left almost completely decapitated at the front of the basilica, near the holy water font. Their murderer, 21-year-old Ibrahim Issaoui from Tunisia, an Islamist terrorist. Aid To The Church In Need denounces this outburst of violence vet another terrorist act in France - and **one more on** the long list of crimes against Christians throughout the world. Our hearts are with the victims, the injured, their families and the entire French Catholic community. (Source: Aid to the Church in Need)

Postscript: There is an ongoing deafening silence by our leaders regarding the growing attacks on churches and religious personnel throughout Europe and Asia. Is the shutting down of our public worship by government during the Covid-19 Pandemic a more subtle, but equally effective way of silencing our Christian voice? Rugby, GAA, Soccer—all contact sports—continue, but worship , with social distancing and proper safety regulations and no physical contact are forced to give way. Is this right and just?



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