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Drumlish Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter







"A person who trims himself to suit everybody else will soon whittle oneself away."



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 8 pm: Michael/Kathleen McLoughlin

Sunday 11 am: Katie/Michael Fallon Monday 10 am: Misa Pro Populo

Saturday 8 pm: Jimmy/Mollie Mollaghan, Cartron

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.



Offertory &688, Nov. Dues &470, Heating &630 Mission Sunday &677, Shrine &6350. Thank you for your continued support, particularly in these difficult times when many of you have your own challenges.

Ballinamuck N.S. Retirement

On Thursday last, having completed over 20 years service in St. Patrick's N.S. Ballinamuck, Ms. Katherine McGauran N.T. has retired. We thank her for her dedicated service to the school, for her service on the Board of Management, and for her deep interest in the many extra curricular activities relating to the school. Katherine's gentle and warm personality, coupled with her teaching commitment, has been a great asset to Ballinamuck N.S. over the years. We thank Katherine for her years of service and wish her health and happiness in her retirement.

"We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the light." (Plato)

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.

Two Galilee Online Programmes for Advent

Comfort My People: The First Readings of Advent. With Fr Noel Rooney. (online programme) from November 23rd, https://www.galilee.ie/online-programmes/. Fr Noel Rooney is a priest of the Diocese of Elphin. In these four short videos Fr Noel Rooney introduces the first readings, their context and characters, and helps us to connect it with our own Advent journey.

- The Work of your Hands
- Comfort my People
- Good News to the Poor
- Promises to Keep.

Online Advent Retreat with Sr Finola Cunnane. In this two-part retreat we will pay attention to how we are and open our hearts to Christ's life-giving invitations for Christmas and beyond. Part 1 recording available https://www.galilee.ie/online-programmes/from November 30th. Part 2 − Saturday, 5th Dec. 10.30am-1.00pm 'live' via Zoom.

Cost €25 Details and booking: info@galilee.ie.

Advent

Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent, the four weeks of preparation leading up to Christmas. As of now we are still uncertain re: the public celebration of Mass. We hope and pray.

Christ the King

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Your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

One of the surprises of the judgement scene is that nobody is condemned for doing wrong, but for their failure to do good. Being a disciple of Jesus is a positive choice about how we live and relate to others. The aim of Christian living is not me-centred, but other-centred, about responding to the needs of others. Another surprise is to hear Jesus tell us that when we do something for another, he considers it done to himself. The story is about the judgement of the whole of humanity. It presents an ideal of society in which human relationships at all levels are governed by the law of love. [John Byrne OSA, Intercom]

Understanding Christ the King!



Solitude!

"Solitude is not loneliness, although both mean being alone. Solitude means being alone to oneself and to be alone with God. It means a lack of noise and distraction, but the inner silence does not lead to emptiness. It means time to listen, to recollect oneself, to let God's presence take hold. It means time and quietude to think things out and not be propelled along without reflection. It means time to pray."

"It is in lonely solitude that God delivers His best thoughts, and the mind needs to be still and quiet to receive them." (Charles Swindol)