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Drumlish Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter







God is the only one who can make the valley of trouble a door of hope

Catherine Marshall

First Sunday of Advent Year B - 29th November 2020

Mass Times & Intentions

The updated regulations regarding the public celebration of Mass means that from 1st December Mass may be celebrated publicly for a maximum of 50 people. Because of the limited numbers permitted to attend the church at any one time, the weekend Mass will be kept free of bookings—those who wish to book Mass may avail of the weekday Masses. For the present. Friday evening Masses will be shared where demand requires. Existing bookings will be honoured.

Note: 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.

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Wed 10.00: Private Intention 8.00: Marion Campbell

John/Agnes/James/Joseph Kenny

Michael/Brigid/John Cronin

Danny Grimes

Sun 11.00: Frank & Maureen Courtney & dfm

Ballinamuck

7.00: First Friday Fri

9.30: Michael/Brigid O'Toole Sun

Terry McKenna & Dfm



Offertory €895, November Dues €505, Heating €185 Mission Sunday €20. Thank you for your continued support, particularly in these difficult times when many of you have your own challenges.

St Patrick's NS Ballinamuck Enrolment

Enrolment for new Junior Infants for September 2021 is now open. Download application forms at our new School website at Ballinamuckns.ie. or contact the School at email ballinamucknschool@gmail.com or 043-3324063

Covid-19 Public Regulations Update

The following are the updated Government regulations (with additional local regulations) relating to Church openings and worship:

- * From 1st December Mass may be celebrated publicly for a maximum of 50 people.
- * Funeral Masses may be celebrated with up to 25 mourners
- * Marriages may be celebrated with up to 25 guests.
- * Worshippers are advised to wear face masks
- * Social distancing and hand sanitizing is essential
- * Please cooperate with the stewards when entering & exiting the Church.
- * If you are making a private visit to the Church. please sanitize your seat before leaving the Church.

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/onlineprogrammes/. 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



This Sunday is the beginning of Advent, the four weeks of preparation for the birth of Christ at Christmas. During the Lockdown there has been much talk about Christmas from commercial interests, but the true meaning of Christmas is sometimes lost. Christmas for a Christian is to celebrate

the birth of Christ, God taking on our human nature in the person of Christ, so that humanity may be saved and experience at a deeper level the love and mercy of God. It is God inviting us into a deeper relationship through his Son Jesus Christ. If that element of faith is absent what are we celebrating? We mark the beginning of Advent with the blessing of our Advent Wreathe and the lighting of our first Advent candle reflecting the theme of HOPE.

Advent Safeguarding Message 2020

The last nine months have been very difficult for many people with the continuing threat to health, lives and livelihood. As we prepare for Christmas during this season of Advent we remember that Jesus Christ was born into a family and there he grew up. Although Church activities have been restricted for most of this year our commitment to safeguarding children continues. I thank Parish Safeguarding Representatives and our priests for their thorough and vigilant work in ensuring the safety of children and adults at risk in our Church related activities. 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 (087 743 1649) or our Deputy Designated Liaison Person, Róisín O'Doherty (087 705 7516).

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"Who looks outside dreams. Who looks inside awakens."

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Carl Jung

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PEACE

PRAYER

PREPARE

First Friday

Next Friday is the first Friday. The sick and housebound will be attended as usual.

Death

Pray for the repose of the soul of Theresa McNerney. Aughnacliffe, sister of Lily & Sarah Rehill, who died this week. May she rest in peace.