

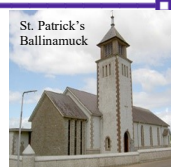
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Pointing the Finger!



Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



Make no judgments where you have no compassion.

-- Anne McCaffrey

5th Sunday of Lent — 3rd April 2022

Mass Times & Intentions

Drumlish

Sun 11.00: Gerry Donnelly
Mon 10.00: Misa Pro Populo
Fri 8.00: Tommy Hagan
Sat 8.00: Stephen/Mary Ellen Colreavy
Kathleen McWade, Miss St.
Sun 11.00: Palm Sunday

Ballinamuck

Sun 9.30: Packer Joe Lynch & Dfm
Mary/Michael Flynn
Fri 7.00: John Collum
Francis/Jennie Doris
Sun 9.30: T. P. Keenan, Edenmore
Brigid Donnelly & Dfm

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

Ministers of the Word & Holy Communion

Drumlish

Word of God Sat: Theresa Whitney/Conf. Class
Sun: Dolores Kane/Conf. Class
Communion Sat: Bernadette Noonan
Sun: Mary Gillooley

Ballinamuck

Word of God Catherine Carthy & Conf. Class
Communion Bridie Reilly



Offertory €928, Dues €92, Lenten Alms €55, Ukraine €1935. You can also support our Church by electronic transfer if it is more convenient. Bank details are:

Account Name: Drumlish Church
BIC: AIBKIE2D;
IBAN: IE 15 AIBK 9321 4006 6850 07

Please write your name on your docket when making a transfer because Box numbers change from year to year. Thank you



St. Vincent's Minor Club Monster Bingo on Sun. 10th April at 3 p.m. in Ballinamuck 98 Memorial Hall. Please support

Baptism

Tom Stephen McDermott, s/o Stephen & Genevieve, Ohill was baptised and welcomed into our faith community last weekend. Congratulations to all.

Trócaire 2022



Out of the media spotlight this Lent, thousands of miles from Ukraine in Zimbabwe, Thandekile and her family are suffering in a forgotten crisis of Covid, poverty, and climate change. Some children come to school without shoes. Please help them if you can this Lent by filling your Trocaire Box and returning it Easter Week, or give what you're able on www.trocaire.org and let your love be their lifeline.

Tax Relief Forms

For the past three years, due to Covid-19, the Parish didn't follow up on the annual **'Tax Relief for Donations to Eligible Charities and other Approved Bodies'**. This scheme has brought in very significant sums of money to our Parish over the years. The scheme applies to individuals who are tax compliant and who have donated an aggregate of €250 in a tax year to an Eligible Charity. If you believe you have paid in €250 or more in the tax year 2020, please take and fill in the form **'Enduring Certificate'** (CHY3) and return to the Parochial House before the end of the month. Note: there is a slight change in the format from previous years and does not require to be renewed for a period of five years, unless your circumstances change.

Accord Marriage Preparation Programme



Accord is recruiting interested people to assist in the provision of Marriage Preparation Programmes. Application forms are available by contacting marriagepreparation@accord.ie Selections will take place in June of this year with training commencing in September. This year Accord is celebrating 60 years supporting couples and families. Please contact us for any support you may need www.accord.ie

Ministers of Holy Communion

I have asked a number of people to be Ministers of Holy Communion and will be holding a short preparation programme after Easter.

Lough Derg 2022

The Lough Derg Pilgrimage season re-opens Sunday 1st May. There is the possibility of a One Day Retreat and/or Three Day Pilgrimage. For details of times and dates please check the notice Board at the front door of Drumlish Parish Church.

Death

Pray for the repose of the soul of Anna Rose (Nan) McKenna nee Kennedy, Drumlish/Birmingham whose funeral took place during the week. May she rest in peace.

First Confessions

Congratulations to the young boys/girls from St. Mary's N.S who made their First Confession during the week. Experiencing the love and mercy of Jesus Christ is an experience available to all people of faith, particularly at this time of Lent. Confession is God recognizing our human flaws and offering to us freely his forgiveness and deep healing love.

Copies of the **Irish Catholic** are available weekly inside front door St. Mary's Church Drumlish.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Due to the small attendance it was agreed to hold a further meeting this coming week. All members will be informed by WhatsApp. The following is a brief summary of our meeting.

- With the lifting of restrictions and the return of the Sunday obligation to attend Mass what can be done to encourage people back to Sunday Mass? It was proposed to set up a Parish Facebook Page as one possible way of reaching our young people and those who may have drifted away.
- Easter arrangements: Holy Thursday Mass in Drumlish & Ballinamuck. Good Friday—Passion in Drumlish only with outdoor Stations of the Cross in Ballinamuck. Holy Saturday Vigil in Drumlish only—a symbol of our parish unity. Easter Sunday—9.30 Ballinamuck; 11.00 Drumlish
- New Ministers of Holy Communion will be trained and commissioned after Easter
- Concern was expressed re: the state and lack of upkeep of the new cemetery in Ballinamuck. It was suggested that a date for an AGM or general meeting should be arranged for those interested with a view to updating or reforming the existing cemetery committee.
- The Diocesan Assembly & National Synod was covered briefly but requires further discussion.
- It was also noted that the Parish Pastoral Council has a **pastoral** role as distinct from a Parish Council which is concerned with the **'nuts and bolts'** of running a Parish.

The Clean Up



Well done to all the volunteers who gave of their time last weekend to clean up and gather all the scattered rubbish around our community. Sadly there are some who continue to litter and poison our environment. If we don't care for our earth how can we expect it to care for us? Think before you dump! Please!