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# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



I wish that not a single tear trickles down your cheek this New Year. May you be blessed with joy and happiness all the year round.

Mary the Mother of God — 1st January 2023

## Mass Times & Intentions

### Drumlish

Sun 11.00: Rita Crowe, Derawley  
Mon 10.00: Private Intention  
Fri 11.00: Feast of the Epiphany  
Sun 11.00: John Forde, MM, Kilmahon  
James F/Catherine Keane, Main St  
Michael/Mary Cooney, Greagh

### Ballinamuck

Sun 9.30: Elizabeth Sparks nee Duffy RIP  
Fri 7.00: Feast of the Epiphany

*Note: Mass streamed Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 10 a.m. Friday & Saturday 8 p.m. Sunday 11 a.m.*

## Ministers of the Word & Communion Next Week

### Drumlish

Word of God Sat Aaron Smith  
Sun Elizabeth Devlin  
Communion Sat Cara Walshe  
Sun Derek McKeon

### Ballinamuck

Word of God Sun Catherine Carthy  
Communion Sun Martha Duffy



Offertory €2701, Dues €3024, Heating €70, Shrine €460. 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 for your support.**

**Happy New Year**  
**2023**

## Announcements

- ♦ **Alzheimer Café:** The Longford Alzheimer Cafe, will run on the last Wednesday of every month.
- ♦ **St. Mary's National School,** Drumlish admission into the Junior Infants Class of September 2023 are available on school website – www.drumlishns.ie, by emailing the school [drumprincipal@gmail.com](mailto:drumprincipal@gmail.com), by collection or by post. Closing date for enrolment will be Friday 13th January 2023. For further enquiries contact 043 3324065 or email the school.
- ♦ **Drumlish Senior Citizens Party:** Due to high cases of flu and Covid in the area, the Senior Citizens party has been postponed to a later date.
- ♦ **English Classes for Our Ukrainian Families** have been running since July in Ballinamuck. With a recent increase in numbers we are looking for more volunteers to join our little team and help with conversation practice. No experience required, Mon & Fri mornings, 10-12 in Dillons. For more info contact Catherine Carthy on 0874433610.
- ♦ **First Friday** is next week—the housebound and sick will be attended on Thursday & Friday.

## Baptism

Noel Breandán Cassidy s/o David & Ciara was baptised and welcomed into our faith community last weekend. Congratulations to both families.

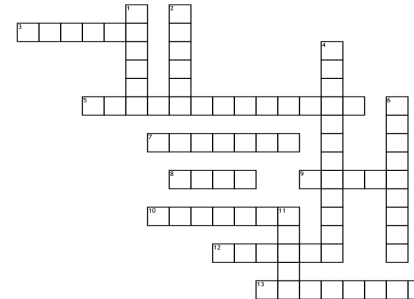
## Feast of the Epiphany

Next Friday is the feast of the Epiphany and is a special holy day. Masses in Drumlish at 11 am and Ballinamuck at 7 p.m.

## Baptism of the Lord

Next Sunday is the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. I invite the parents, together with their child who was baptised during the past year, to our 11 a.m. Mass in the parish church, Drumlish on Sunday next. We will make a special presentation to the families.

## Mary - the Mother of Jesus



### Across

3. Mary is also the Mother of the....  
5. Name for Mary  
7. Place Jesus was crucified  
8. Another of Jesus' brother  
9. A brother of Jesus  
10. The angel Gabriel called her this.

12. Mary was a young  
13. Jewish celebration of freedom from slavery  
**Down**  
1. Her son was also known as....  
2. Jewish building of worship

4. Angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary about Jesus' birth  
6. She took her son here when he was 12 years old  
11. Official teaching made by the Church



**MARY**  
encouraged Jesus to listen to his inner wisdom...  
she modeled for him unwavering courage...  
she taught him to respect and appreciate creation...  
she nurtured his compassionate heart.

Jean Moringstar, s.j.m.

Copies of the [Irish Catholic](#) are available weekly inside front door St. Mary's Church, Drumlish.

## A prayer for the Earth (Laudato Si)

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

“Eternal God, You gave us the greatest gift: the gift of life. In the coming year, help us use it wisely. May we grow in generosity, kindness and forgiveness, hope, faith and love. Amen.”  
RABBI EVAN MOFFIC