

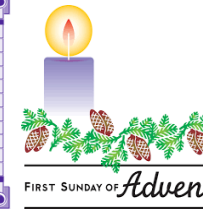
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St. Mary's Drumlish

# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter

St. Patrick's Ballinamuck



Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe.

Abraham Lincoln



First Sunday of Advent Year B — 3rd December 2023

### Mass Intentions

#### Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Mary Ellen/Jack/Michael Corr  
Danny Grimes & Dfm  
Sun 11.00: John Forde, Kilmahon  
Wed 8.00: Betty Crowe, MM. Currabawn  
Thur 8.00: Vigil Feast of Immaculate Conception  
Fri 11.00: Feast of Immaculate Conception  
8.00: Christmas Carol Service  
Sat 8.00: John Gray, Cloncowley  
Sun 11.00: Marion Campbell & Dfm

#### Ballinamuck

Sun 9.30: Michael/Brigid O'Toole & Dfm  
Tom Duffy  
Fri 7.00: Feast of Immaculate Conception  
Sun 9.30: James McKenna & Dfm

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

### Ministries for Next Week

#### Drumlish

Word of God Sat Veronica Courtney & Conf Cl.  
Sun Elizabeth Devlin & Conf Cl  
Communion Sat Bernadette Noonan  
Sun Derek McKeon

#### Ballinamuck

Word of God Sun Emma Clancy & Conf Class  
Communion Sun Kieran Duffy



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

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



- **Adoption Support** Information and Support for Birth Mothers - whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at [www.birthinfo.ie](http://www.birthinfo.ie) or by calling the relevant section of TUSLA at +353 818 445500
- **Gaels United** invite you to come see Santa and visit our Christmas Markets December 9th & 10th. Visit Santa in the garden of the Mill Bar Drumlish - Entrance from the main road. Crafts stalls will be located on the main street. To book to see Santa or to book a stall please contact 0851249528.
- **Drumlish Senior Citizens Christmas party** will take place in the Olde Village Inn on Sunday January 07th 2024 at 4pm. Everyone welcome.
- **Drumlish Cemetery Committee** is holding their annual Mega Christmas Hamper Draw this Sunday, 3rd December. Tickets will be available in local Supermarkets, PO and Butcher. Please support.
- **Ballinamuck community Christmas party** will take place on Sunday 10th December from 2-6 pm. Everyone welcome. The committee would like to thank everyone who donated to the church gate collection—your support is much appreciated.
- **Drumlish Library Events:** Next two Saturdays in a row we will have activities for children:  
Sat. Dec. 2nd: Story telling with Mrs. Claus. Sat. Dec. 9th: The Santa Sign Workshop. Drop into the Library to put your name down or Ring 043 3324760
- **Totus Tuus Magazine** is a Catholic Magazine, full of articles from Irish priests and laity, which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is going into its 7th year and is run by donations. If you haven't come across Totus Tuus Magazine and would like free copy please contact Fiona Kiely on 086 8760058
- **Ballinamuck** have for the first time "Christmas lights" in the village. Everyone is welcome to the turning on of the lights Friday evening December 8th at 7.30pm when children from St. Patrick's NS will be singing Christmas songs.

### Advent



Today we celebrate the First Sunday of Advent, beginning of a new Liturgical year. For those who follow your Sunday/Weekday Missal, the readings for the new Liturgical year are Cycle B Sundays and Cycle 2 weekdays.

Advent is a time of waiting, conversion and hope. The Advent Wreath, with the four candles lit on consecutive Sundays is a recollection of the various stages of salvation history prior to Christ's coming and a symbol of the prophetic light gradually illuminating the long night prior to the rising of the Sun of Justice (Christ, the Lord).



Come along to our Carol Service and join in the reflections and singing of the Christmas Carols. The Crib will be blessed and the town lights switched on at the end of our Carol Service. Why not make it a family celebration

### Deaths

Pray for the repose of the souls of Michael Quinn, Dublin and late Kilnashee and Farrell Reilly, Edgeworthstown and formerly Kiltycreevagh whose funerals took place this week. Also, Fr. Peter Brady, retired Parish Priest of Legan & Ballycloghan. His funeral takes place this Sunday in Legan at 2 p.m. We extend our sympathy and prayers to their families. May they rest in peace.

**Next Friday, 8th December is the feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a Holy Day. Vigil Mass in Drumlish on Thursday at 8 p.m. Masses on Friday Drumlish at 11 a.m. and Ballinamuck at 7 p.m.**



### Advent word search



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ANGEL	JOSEPH	PREPARATION
ANTICIPATION	JOY	PURPLE
CANDLES	LIGHT	REJOICE
EMMANUEL	LOVE	SAVIOR
FOUR	MARY	WAITING
HOPE	PEACE	WREATH
JESUS	PINK	



### Some thoughts on today's scripture

Jesus' message and life was to make a difference and save the world. That's the call - to do the world a world of good. Stay awake - see how you can make someone else's life that bit better. We need to believe that each of us can make a difference to our families, to the neighbourhood, to the school. One way is to keep in touch with God. Advent can be a time to make sure - through prayer, Mass, through helping the very poor - that we keep in touch with God. We allow God's grace and care to flow through us. A new world order began with Jesus, and I have a part to play in it. Every day I review what went on, and as G M Hopkins says, 'I greet him the days I meet him, and bless when I understand'.

[Extract: Sacred Space, Irish Jesuits]