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TEMPERANCE

Temperance is moderation in the things that are good and total abstinence from the things that are foul.



Frances E. Willard

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B — 11th February 2024

Mass Intentions

Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Tom/Martha Gunshinan
David Corr
Wed 10.00: Ash Wednesday—Blessing of Ashes
8.00: Alice/Mike Joe Quinn & Dfm
Fri 8.00: John McKeon, RIP
Sat 8.00: John/Margaret Devaney

Ballinamuck

Sun 9.30: Mairead Lynch
Mary/Dan McLoughlin
Wed 7.00: Ash Wednesday—Blessing of Ashes
Sun 9.30: Pat/Bridget/Nellie/John Smith
Mary/Michael Flynn

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 Collette Brennan & Conf Cl
Sun Margaret Prunty & Conf Cl
Communion Sat Kathleen McNally
Sun Elaine McKeon

Ballinamuck

Word of God Sun Helen McKenna & Conf Cl.
Communion Sun Bridie Reilly



Offertory €1800, Dues €230. You can also support using 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.

St. Vincent de Paul thank all who responded so generously to their recent annual appeal.

D/B Men's Shed church gate collection amounted to €740, a big thank you to all those who contributed so generously.



♦ **Calling Pioneers and Friends** to the 25th Pioneer National Ball on Saturday 6th April beginning with Mass at 6 pm. in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, followed by guest speaker, dinner and dancing at the Annebrook House Hotel. For details contact 0857201646 or 0876544626.

♦ **Social Dancing & Community Gathering:** If you couldn't make it last weekend - next opportunity is on Sunday 25th February at 5 p.m. A great opportunity for a dance, a cuppa, and a catch-up with friends old and new – looking forward to welcoming everyone! Contact Aisling 086 3663901

♦ **AGM of Drumlish Tidy Towns** takes place Monday 19th February at Drumlish Library at 8pm. All welcome!

♦ **AGM of the Drumlish Ballinamuck Area Development** clg is scheduled for Wednesday 21st February 2024 at Drumlish Library at 8.30pm.

♦ **History of the Pubs in Drumlish Talk** - covering 300 years will be given by Eddie Bohan, Historian (ex Drumshanbo Sth.) in Drumlish Library at 7 pm on Wednesday 14th February. Save the Date.

♦ **This Sunday is World Day of the Sick and also Day of Prayer for Temperance.**

♦ **The Longford branch of The Alzheimer Society** will hold their monthly support group on Wed. 14th February at 7.00pm in our office on Earl Street, Longford, opposite Mollaghan's Furniture Store. For information, contact Breda on 086 3802183.

♦ **Book Club in Drumlish library.** Would you like to be part of a Book club that meets once a month to chat about a book over tea and biscuits? No pressure and no need to be an avid reader, it's for anyone who likes to read or who would like to read but don't know what book to choose. Depending on interest it will be on Friday morning or afternoon or Sat morning. Let me know your preference and majority number will decide. Phone Mary on 043 3324760 or mkiernan@longfordcoco.ie

Copies of the **Irish Catholic** are available weekly inside the front door of St. Mary's Church Drumlish. Copies €3 may be put in the Candle Shrines.



✚ Wednesday next is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at 10 a.m. & 8 p.m. Mass Drumlish and at 7 p.m. Mass in Ballinamuck.

✚ Temperance Sunday: this Sunday, the week before the beginning of Lent, is a day of prayer for Temperance. Temperance is not just about alcohol but also about drug abuse is all its forms.

✚ Trócaire Boxes are available for collection at the Church doors.

✚ Ash Wednesday is also a day of Fast and Abstinence in keeping with the Lenten call for prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

The following are suggested ways of fulfilling Friday penance:

- ♦ Abstaining from meat or some other food
- ♦ Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking
- ♦ Making a special effort to have family prayer
- ♦ Visiting the Blessed Sacrament
- ♦ Making the Stations of the Cross
- ♦ Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely
- ♦ Making a special effort to attend weekly Mass
- ♦ Coming together to Church as a family

Family Prayer



"Pleasure is the flower that passes; remembrance, the lasting perfume."

— Stanislas Jean de Boufflers

**ARDAGH & CLONMACNOIS
DIOCESAN 2024 PILGRIMAGE
TO LOURDES**

Pilgrimage Director: Monsignor Bernard Noonan P.P.
Bishop Paul Connell

31 MAY - 05 JUNE 2024
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Joe Walsh Tours: 01-2410800 or email info@joewalstours.ie

The Lourdes Assisted Pilgrimage Fund collection will take place as a second collection this weekend, February 10th and 11th.

Some thoughts on today's scripture

'Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him.' Jesus, the poet of God's compassion, spoke in parables, but also in actions. He healed the sick and freed people from evil, brokenness and rejection. God's mercy was not just a beautiful idea. In Jesus, God is the active champion of the suffering. Lord, let my faith not be swamped by horror at the misery and hopelessness of so many in our world. Instead, I ask your blessing on those who devote themselves to compassionate care of the needy. They are the unsung champions of your love today. I ask the grace to be numbered among them.

[Extract from Sacred Space, the Irish Jesuits]