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Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter





"In any aiven moment we have two options: to step forward into arowth or step back into safety."

Abraham Maslow

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C —19th January 2025

Mass Intentions

Drumlish

Sun 11.00: Misa Pro Populo

Dan Joe/Brigid Nerney & Dfm Wed 10.00: Sun 11.00: Sheila/Michael/Mary Cooney

Ballinamuck

Sun 9.30: James P/Bridget C Lennon

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

Ministries for Next Sunday

Drumlish

Word of God Sat Veronica Courtney & Conf

Sun Mikie Mollaghan & Conf

Sat Kathleen McNally Communion Sun Marian McNally

Ballinamuck

Word of God Sun Helen McKenna & Conf

Communion Sun Mark Duffy



Offertory €1900, Dues €520, Shrine €225, Drumlish Christmas Lighting €400. 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.

"As long as we look at the world through the eyes of self-interest and self-defence we will never see the world as God sees it." — Brian Zahnd

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



- Drumlish Senior Citizens thank all who supported in any way the annual Christmas Party last Sunday.
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place from 18th to 25th January 2025. The theme 'Do vou helieve this'
- Catholic Schools Week begins from this Sunday. 19th January. Protecting and developing the Catholic ethos of our schools is an important part of our Baptismal calling.
- "Come Follow Me" Eucharistic Procession in **Derry**, February 1st. Bus leaving Longford St Mel's Cathedral car park at 8.30am. Picking up Supervalu Edgeworthstown 8.40am. €10 per person. Bring packed lunch. Contact: Thomas 0852851015, Kitty 0860405621, Anna 0866677204
- Ballinamuck Social Dancing. Our next evening of dancing and socialising in the '98 Memorial Hall, Ballinamuck is taking place Sunday the 26th of January from 5pm – 7pm. Music by Family Affair. Contact Aisling on (086) 3663901.
- Ballinamuck St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee are holding their AGM on Thursday 23rd January at 9pm in the 98 Hall. New members welcome!

Every Step Counts Challenge

Fr Manning Gaels GAA Club are taking part in the Irelands Lights Up & Every Step Counts Challenge. This is open to all members and non members of the Club. The Every Step Counts Challenge commenced on January 08th. To help get people motivated and taking part we will be lighting up the Clubs walking track at Monaduff on Thursday evenings from 7.30pm to 8.30pm commencing this Thursday January 16th and finishing February 20th. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Clubhouse. We are asking as many people as possible to download the MyLife App - select Fr Manning Gaels - get tracking your steps and help us reach a combined target of 4000km and be in with a chance of winning a prize. Further information contact Fr. Manning Gaels Committee.

Deaths

Pray for the souls of Michael Brady, Aughadowry whose funeral took place this week; also for Mary McEvilly nee Kane late Monaduff who died in Rochester, USA this week. May they rest in peace. We extend our prayers and sympathy to their families at this difficult time also

Catholic Schools Week 2025 – Alive in Christ!

Catholic Schools Week 2025 will be celebrated from Sunday, 19 January, to Saturday, 25 January, with the theme of *Catholic Schools: Alive in Christ*. We pray for and support our local Catholic schools so that, together with us, the parish community, they will be alive with the joy and hope that is Christ. Jesus Christ calls us together as a living faith community so that our schools, parish and families may support and animate one another. Reflecting on the theme, Catholic schools will explore what it means to be fully alive as a human being – living life to the full in Christ. The theme will explore how we exist for one another in Christ, building from the wellbeing of the individual, extending the notion of true wellbeing to others, to our families and communities, and to The Other, in God. The theme will mediate on hope, the true purpose and meaning of human life, and, in the more senior years, on true freedom. "Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life. The very first words, then, that I would like to say to every young Christian are these: Christ is alive and he wants you to be alive!" - Pope Francis,



Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink but you have saved the best till now." John 2:10 (NIV) The puzzle is based on John 2:1-11 (NIV).



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A Prayer for Catholic Schools

Almighty God,

You sent forth your Son as a beacon of hope for all people. As a Teacher, He has given us the prime example of the importance of education. As disciples, we look to him for inspiration and strength. Thank you for the many people who have dedicated their lives in service to our Catholic Schools. Thank you for the teachers and Boards of Management who sustain our schools.

Thank you for the parents who have given support and witness to the importance of Catholic education. Thank you for the students who work hard to further their education. Bless all our Catholic Schools and the many people who advance our mission. May our schools be a home for those who seek to grow in openness, faith, love, intellect and commitment to justice.

In your name, we pray. Amen.