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"Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a harder battle."
- Plato



7th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C —23rd February 2025

Mass Intentions

Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Nancy Cooney
Sun 11.00: Mary McGee, Cloncowly
Mon 10.00: Misa Pro Populo
Fri 8.00: Mary Lynch RIP, Crowdrumman
Sat 8.00: Michéal Duffley
Breda McNally & Dfm

Ballinamuck

Fri 7.00: Jimmy Connor, Month's Memory

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 Ria Nertney & Conf
Sun Orla Devlin & Conf
Communion Sat Mary Gearty
Sun Pat Corrigan

Ballinamuck

Word of God Sun Catherine Carthy & Conf
Communion Sun Bridie Reilly



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Deaths

Pray for the repose of the soul of Shane Lawlor, Esker Glen and Francis Lennon, Drumbad whose funerals took place this week. We extend our prayers and sympathy to both families at this sad and difficult time. May the Lord grant peace to the deceased and comfort to the bereaved.



- ♦ **Monaduff Social Club** meet on Sat. 1st March from 3—5 p.m. in Monaduff. See you there!
- ♦ **Ballinamuck Social Dancing** takes place in the 98 Memorial Hall this Sunday 23rd February from 5 to 7 p.m. Music by Carmel McLoughlin. Contact Aisling on 0863663901.
- ♦ **Next Sunday is a day of prayer for Temperance.** Drug addiction and alcohol addiction are the cause of much suffering and broken families. On this last Sunday before Lent begins, please give these issues some thought. If they are causing a problem in your life seek available help.

Purpose of Life

While on vacation a husband and wife team of psycholo-gists lounged by the pool. Seemingly out of nowhere, a young girl appeared next to them. She told the couple her name was Jessica and that she was seven years old. The husband had a habit of asking to-the-point, tough questions. He looked over at the bright-eyed girl and whimsi-cally asked her, "What is life all about?" Jessica thought for a second before replying. "The purpose of life is to be kind and loving," she said, "to be here for other people, to make the world a better place than before you came." Bolting upright, the husband and wife asked the girl where she had learned these things. "Did you learn them from your parents?" "No," Jessica answered. "In school?" "No." "At church, then?" "Uh, no." "Well, where did you learn such things?" they asked the youngster. "I just knew them before I came here," she said. Looking back at our lives, remember how much we knew as children—how much we knew of truth and honesty. How much of that have we given up or forgotten? How much have we surrendered out of our own fears, surrendered in desperate need to fit into society, surrendered to compromise our integrity?

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Kindness Crossword

- Consideration
- Encouraging
- Sensitivity
- Thoughtful
- Generosity
- Compassion
- Goodwill
- Generous
- Patience
- Kindness
- Empathy
- Polite
- Caring
- Heart
- Grace



R K I N D N E S S S J G J Y L Z B
J Q Q O T H O U G H T F U L I Z B
T E P Q H S E N S I T I V I T Y S
N E O N O I T A R E D I S N O C U
J E L O E D Z P A T I E N C E U O
G S I S Z G E M P A T H Y G N U R
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I K R S C G D L M C H T O W R W I
T D I A R R H W V B C Q E C W A T
Y O S Q E K E J I K C E H R N R T
N H E Y K H T R G L B O R B N E I
T O P O P R U I T N L L Z Z N K B

**Kind hearts are the gardens,
Kind words are the roots,
Kind thoughts are the flowers,
Kind deeds are the fruits.**

**Take care of your garden
And keep out the weeds;
Fill it with sunshine,
Kind words and kind deeds.**

-H.W. Longfellow



Home

no one leaves home unless
home is the mouth of a shark
you only leave home
when home won't let you stay,
only tearing up your passport in an airport toilet
sobbing as each mouthful of paper
made it clear that you wouldn't be going back.
You have to understand,
that no one puts their children in a boat
unless the water is safer than the land
no one spends days and nights in the stomach of a
truck
feeding on newspaper unless the miles travelled
means something more than journey.
no one crawls under fences
no one wants to be beaten
pitied
no one chooses refugee camps
or strip searches where your
body is left aching
or prison,
because prison is safer
than a city of fire.
The
go home blacks
refugees
dirty immigrants
asylum seekers
sucking our country dry
messed up their country and now they want
to mess ours up.
I want to go home,
but home is the mouth of a shark
home is the barrel of the gun
and no one would leave home
unless home chased you to the shore.

[Extract from **Hope** by Warsan Shire]