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Joy, temperance, and repose, slam the door on the doctor's nose.
— Henry W. Longfellow



8th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Temperance Sunday) —2nd March 2025

Mass Intentions

Drumlish
Sat 8.00: Michéal Diffley
Breda McNally & Dfm
Sun 11.00: Seamus Kane (Granard Accident)
Wed 10.00: Ash Wednesday—Blessing of Ashes
8.00: Ash Wednesday
Fri 15.00: Confirmation
Note: No evening Mass Drumlish
Sat 8.00: Sharon Crowe
Tommy Hagan
Seamus Kane—prayers for healing
Sun 11.00: Anna Rita McDermott

Ballinamuck
Sun 9.30: Misa Pro Populo
Wed 7.00: Ash Wednesday—Blessing of Ashes
Fri 7.00: Maggie Killian, Month's Memory
Sun 9.30: Mary Duffy/Maureen Dooley & Duffy/Flanagan Dfm.
Peggy Cassidy, 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 Niamh Maher & Conf
Sun Helena Crowe & Conf
Communion Sat Kathleen McNally
Sun Marian McNally

Ballinamuck
Word of God Sun Nuala McLoughlin & Conf
Communion Sun Breege Donnelly



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- ♦ **Ballinamuck Graveyard Committee** are holding a fundraiser for the upkeep of both the old and new graveyards in Dillons on Saturday next, March 8th. There will be music on the night.
- ♦ **Confirmation** takes place in St. Mary's Church Drumlish next Friday. Keep these young people in your prayers this week. Wishing them, their families and teachers a wonderful day. Note: there will be no evening Mass in Drumlish on Friday.
- ♦ **First Friday** calls will take place on Thursday and Friday as usual.
- ♦ **A meeting of the ICA Guild** will take place on Monday night March 3rd at 8pm in the 98 Hall. Best of luck to our Quiz Team, Tess Murphy, Rachael Murphy and Kathleen Duffy who are representing Longford Federation at the National Finals of the Table Quiz in An Grianan on Saturday March 8th. Best of luck to Bernie Rehill who is taking part in the National Finals in Set Dancing on Sunday March 9th in An Grianan. Congratulations to Kathleen Leslie winner in the Federation Arts Competition and Lilian Walsh winner in the Federation Produce Competition. Well done to the ladies from our Guild who volunteered to use their creativity in making Chandliers for Longford Light's Festival.
- ♦ **United Hearts**, First Friday all night reparation vigil on 7/8 March in the Chapel of Our Lady's Manor, Edgeworthstown, starting at 9 p.m.
- ♦ **AGM of Drumlish Tidy Towns** takes place on Wed. 19th March at 8 p.m. in the DB Mens/ Womens shed. More members and volunteers needed. Annual Spring clean will take place on Saturday 12th April.
- ♦ **Foróige**: A meeting will be held in the Latin School Moyne next Wed. 5th March at 7.30 p.m. in the next step to getting the senior club up and running again in North Longford. All welcome. For info: Dawn Gorman, development officer 086 8145809

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



- † Wednesday next is **Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of Lent. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Mass in Drumlish and at 7 p.m. Mass in Ballinamuck.
- † Ash Wednesday is a day of **Fast and Abstinence** in keeping with the Gospel and Lenten call for prayer, fasting and almsgiving.
- † This Sunday is **Temperance Sunday**. It is a day of prayer for temperance re: drug abuse, alcohol abuse and all other addictions which damage health and impact enormously on families.
- † **Trócaire**, the Catholic Church's official charity for overseas aid to developing countries, reminds us again that we are our "brothers (sisters) keepers." Please collect your Box at the Church exits and give whatever help you can over the Lenten period.

Quit Smoking for Lent

'We can Quit' HSE programme takes place in the Temperance Hall on Tuesday, 4th March from 6 to 8 p.m. - a free programme with access to FREE nicotine replacement products. Contact Enda and Geraldine at 0873461927 or EDI Centre 043 3347515.



Deaths

Pray for the repose of the soul of Frances Courtney, Kilmashree whose funeral took place this week; also for Benny & Brigid Nertney who died recently in England. We extend our prayers and sympathy to both families at their passing. May they rest in peace.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Ardagh and Clonmacnois Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 30th May to 4th June 2025. For details and bookings contact: email at info@joewalshstours.ie or phone Dublin: 01 241 0800

Day of Prayer for Temperance
Father Matthew's Prayer

Apostle of Temperance Father Matthew (1790-1856) was a Capuchin friar from Tipperary whose 19th century crusade against the abuse of alcohol gained him the title of 'Apostle of Temperance'. Father Matthew's call to sobriety has relevance to modern Ireland. The cost to the nation by way of human suffering, abstention from work, criminality and social upheaval is inestimable. Note: You might like to take short-term pledge available via www.pioneerassociation.org.

We Pray
Compassionate Lord and Saviour, you inspired the Capuchin Friar Theobald Matthew to show your compassionate face to those addicted and burdened by the abuse of alcohol or addicted behaviour, and to promote temperance. May we today, continue to serve our brothers and sisters with love and joy, and to foster balance, and moderation in our life styles with the help of God. So we pray, 'here goes in the name of God.' Amen.

ASH WEDNESDAY

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