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# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter





"When you judge others, you do not define them, you define yourself"

— Earl Nightingale



Is it TRUE?

5th Sunday of Lent Year C — 6th April 2025

### **Mass Intentions**

#### Drumlish

Sat 8.00: John/Margaret Kane

Sun 11.00: Paddy Nertney

Carol Galvin nee Forde

Mon 10.00: For the people of the Parish

Sat 8.00: Francis/Kathleen McWade Stephen/Mary Ellen Colreavy

Sun 11.00: Joseph/Theresa Gill

Theresa McGowan & Mary Briggs

## **Ballinamuck**

Sun 9.30: Packie Joe Lynch & Dfm

ri 7.00: John Collum, Lettergullion

Daniel/Philip/Dan/Kathleen Sorohan

Sun 9.30: Brigid Donnelly

Michael/Kathleen Donnelly & Dfm

T. P. Keenan

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 Collette Brennan & Conf Cl

Sun Kathleen Dunleavy & Conf l.

Communion Sat Kathleen Gill Sun Mary Gillooley

Ballinamuck

Word of God Sun Emma Clancy & Conf Cl.

Communion Sun David Collum



Offertory €1125, Dues €105, Lenten Alms €60, Lourdes Fund €30. 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 <u>your name</u> on your docket when making a transfer because Box numbers change from year to year. Thank you for your support.

# Opanina COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Note for the Diary: Fr Manning Gaels are bringing back the Corn Hill Challenge sponsored by Longford Precast on Sunday May 18th 2025. There will be a 10 Mile, 10K or 5K option for people to choose. Chipped Time, T-Shirt, Medal and Refreshments included. For more details please see our Social Media Pages or contact any member of the Fr Manning Gaels Committee.
- Monster Bingo [€2,500 prize money] in aid of St. Vincent's Minor Club on Sunday April 13th at 3 p.m. in 98 Hall Ballinamuck. Raffle & Spot prizes.
- St. Pio Relics to visit Holycross Abbey (E41PH01): Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th May. Contact 0504-43124 or hbparishoffice@gmail.com
- An Taisce National Spring Clean promoted by Drumlish Tidy Town's and supported by Mulleady's waste is happening next Saturday April 12th.
- Family Carers Ireland is the National Charity supporting 500,000 & Family Carers Nationwide and are currently recruiting for Community Home Care workers. Work hours are flexible. Own car and full driving license essential. Please send your CV to jobs@familycarers.ie or contact: 086 4183949.
- Palm (Passion) Sunday is next Sunday with the blessing of palms and beginning of Holy Week.
- Ballinamuck ICA are holding their AGM on Monday night, 7th April at 8 p.m. in the 98 Hall. Regular and new members welcome.
- Longford Branch of Alzheimer Society meet on Wednesday 9th April at 7 p.m. at 2 Earl St. Longford, opposite Mollaghan's. Contact Breda at 086 3802183.

# **Baptism**

Miguel Oliviera Borges s/o Guilherme & Michelle, 35 Sliabh Cairbre was baptised and welcomed into our faith family last weekend. We congratulate them and wish them every blessing.

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

# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Financial Statement for year ending 31/12/2024 Opening Balance 01/01/2024: €420.847.44

#### Income from 1/1/2024 to 31/12/2024 Expenses from 1/1/2024 to 31/12/2024 € 5,696,00 Offertory Collections €87.537.00 Electricity € 1,699.00 Heating Collection Oil/Heating € 10.017.00 Shrine (Including Irish Catholic) € 9,670.00 Insurances € 7,461.00 Donation 550.00 Rates/Water Charges 101.00 € 28,091.50 **Altar Supplies** € 6,098,00 **Dues Collections** Tax Reclaim (Including VAT) € 1,420,77 Repairs & Maintenance € 5,046.00 € 4,689.00 Bank Charges Insurance Claim (Covid 19) € 1.344.00 SEAI Grant (Solar System) € 1,800.00 Phone, Postage & Stationery € 1,555.00 Outside Collections Total € 8,634.00 Levies to Diocese € 9.383.00 [Holy Land € 723.00 Retired Priest's Fund € 3,897.00 Lenten Alms € 1.013.50 € 8,924.00 Outside Collections Peter's Pence € 732.00 Dues Collection € 25,839.00 Mission Sunday € 1.221.50 Trócaire € 4,190.00 Newsletters 870.00 Lourdes Invalid Fund € 754.001 Revenue Commissioners 258.00 Sundry Expenses € 2.734.00 Publications—Books, Magazines € 1.918.00 Catering Costs (Jubilee) € 2.853.00 Online Mass 494.00 Offertory Envelopes (RPD) € 1,381.00 Income Total......€144.091.27 Expenses Total...... € 95.870.00

# Balance ending 31/12/2024: €469,068.71

#### Notes of Explanation

- This statement for the Drumlish/Ballinamuck Parish Accounts reflects the day to day running of the Parish. [Insurances, Maintenance, Heating & Lighting, and Levies to the Diocese etc.].
- Income v Expenses for the past year left us with a running surplus of €48,221.27
- The Parish has also a fixed term deposit in Permanent TSB of €23,650 and when combined with income v expenses leaves the Parish with total assets of €492.718.71
- I ask all families and individuals who use the services of the clergy and/or parish facilities, but for some reason have overlooked the support of the parish and its priests to reflect on this in 2025. Young families also have duty of care for their parish and their priests. If you use the church for baptisms, marriages and deaths, First Communions and Confirmations please reflect because the Parish services cannot survive without your support and participation.
- The Six Dues Collections for the upkeep of the priests for 2024 totalled €28,092 which includes some carry over from Christmas 2023. Alternative dues envelopes are provided at the back of the churches for those who don't use the normal envelope system, but still wish to support our priests.
- Note: Church Gate collections are not the Parish responsibility. They are independent of the Parish but should have a Garda Permit.
   All Church Gate collections are accountable to their own organisations and regulations. We ask again that such collections should be taken up at a reasonable distance from the Church gate entrance—preferably on the opposite side of the Church gate entrance.
- On behalf of the Parish Finance Committee, I thank all who continue to generously support our parish and clergy. Thanks also to all the various voluntary individuals and groups who give of their time, energy and support enabling our parish to function effectively at a time when our numbers are decreasing and fewer people are relied upon to carry the burden. Thanks to our many volunteers—collectors, counters, envelope distributors etc. and most of all to you for your generous support.
- Finance Committee: Nuala McLoughlin, Sean Lennon, Helena Crowe, Adrian Lennon, and Fr. Ber Hogan