

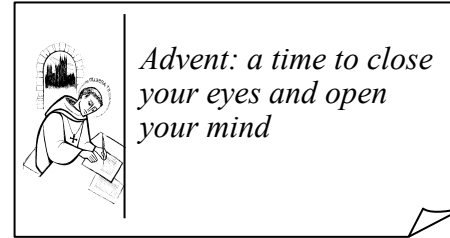
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# Parish Newsletter Drumlish & Ballinamuck

First Sunday of Advent Year A—27th November 2016



## Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Pat Whitney, Esker North  
Pat/Jane Quinn, Kilnashee  
Sun 11.00: Brian Joe/Bridgie Campbell, Church View  
Frank Courtney & Dfm, Drumlish Hill  
Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo  
Tue 9.30: Patrick/Brigid McNally  
Fri 8.00: Patrick/Mary McNally  
Claire/Seamus Greene  
Sat 8.00: Danny Grimes & Dfm, Drumlish Hill  
Sun 11.00: McCormack/Cosgrove/Black Dfm

## Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Kathleen/Michael McLoughlin,  
Shanmullagh  
Sun 10.00: Brigid/Michael O'Toole, Gaigue  
Michael/Kathleen Quinn, Aughadowry  
Peter Sexton, MM, Kiltycreevagh  
Seamus Quinn, Lettergunnell

## Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

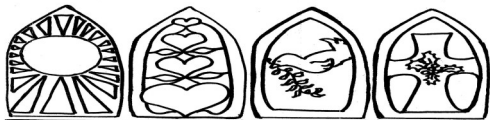
Readers Sat: Theresa Scholfield  
Sun:  
Communion Sat: Mary Gearty  
Sun: Marian McNally

## Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Coleen Quinn  
Communion Sun: Cora McKenna

## Offertory Collections

Drumlish €750, Heating €610, Shrine €241  
Ballinamuck €275, Heating €115. Thank you.



Hope | Peace | Joy | Love



- **Bingo** every Tuesday night in 98 Hall at 8.30pm. Extra prizes for Christmas will be given on each page, beginning on 6th Dec. Support appreciated.
- **98 Hall Committee** meeting on Monday, 5th Dec. at 8 p.m. sharp. All members please attend.
- **Monaduff Social Club:** Committee meeting will be held on Monday 28th November at 8 p.m. The Christmas party will take place on Saturday 3rd Dec. from 2—6 p.m. People who are coming, please give your name to a committee member.
- **Ballinamuck Community Christmas Party** will be held on Sunday 11th December in the 98 Hall at 2.30pm. All welcome. Anyone wishing to entertain can contact Mary Breslin on 0861777294. Our annual church gate collection will take place next Sunday 27th November. Please support.
- **St. Christopher's Services 'Pop Up'** Christmas Craft Shop, News Street, Longford (beside TORC Café) from Monday 28th November to Friday 16th December. All items made in Longford.
- **First Friday:** Friday next is the First Friday. The sick and housebound will be attended on Thursday in Ballinamuck and on Friday in Drumlish.

## Station

Station Mass on Friday evening at 8.30 p.m. hosted by Paddy & Mary Gillooley, Derawley. No formal invitations required—just come along. Others willing to host a station Mass for their area, please contact Fr. Ber at 0868213422

## Baptism

Ciara Johanna McDermott d/o Stephen & Genevieve, Ohill was baptised and welcomed into the Christian community last weekend. Congratulations to her parents.

## Marriage

Congratulations and best wishes to Michael Kelly, Kilnashee and Ann Kane, Drumlish Hill who were married last weekend.

## Safeguarding Message from Bishop Francis, 2016

Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas; it has a special atmosphere of expectation and of looking forward to the events of Bethlehem. During this season many children will participate in nativity plays, carol services and liturgies. I hope they have a very happy and joyful time with their families and friends. I thank our Parish Safeguarding Representatives and our Priests for their very important work in ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable adults in our Church related activities. Their vigilance gives reassurance to all.

I encourage anyone with concerns regarding the safety of children or anyone who suffered in the past to contact our Designated Persons: Sean Leydon (0877431649) or Róisín O'Doherty (087-3327587).

## Advent

This Sunday is the beginning of Advent, the new Liturgical year. Sunday Readings are from Cycle A. The children and parents of First Communion and Confirmation will lead the Liturgy at Mass in both Drumlish and Ballinamuck.



The Advent wreath is a circular garland of evergreen branches representing eternity. Set on the branches of the wreath are four candles: three purple candles and one pink candle. In the centre of the wreath sits a white candle. Each candle represents an aspect of the spiritual preparation for the coming of the Lord, Jesus Christ—the coming of the light of Christ into the world.

Each of us is an innkeeper  
who decides  
if there is room  
for Jesus!

Neal A Maxwell

## The Advent

**Prophecy Candle**

**Bethlehem Candle**

**Find the hidden words**

**Christmas Jesus Lights Calendar Coming Church Purple Wreath**

**Shepherds Candle**

**Angels Candle**

**BIBLE KIDS**

## Introduction of Ministry of Parish Catechist and of Permanent Deacons

† Further information on the Ministry of Parish Catechist is available from Fr Nigel Charles, Boherquill, Lismacaffrey, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath, 043 6685847, Email: nigelcharles2003@yahoo.co.uk

† Further information on the Order of Deacon is available from Fr Aidan Ryan, Ballinahown, Athlone, Co. Westmeath. 090 643 0124. Email: aidanfryan@eircom.net

† Also at the following website: www.vocations.ie

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