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"When you put down your phone, it's easier to lift up your eyes."  
— Wendy Speake



First Sunday of Lent Year B — 18th February 2024

**Mass Intentions**

**Drumlish**

Sat 8.00: John/Margaret Devaney  
Tue 10.00: Monika Misalkova  
Sat 8.00: Micheál Duffley  
John William Corrigan  
Sun 11.00: Nancy Cooney  
Michael Kane

**Ballinamuck**

Sun 9.30: Pat/Bridget/Nellie/John Smith  
Mary/Michael Flynn  
Fri 7.00: Bridie/Tommie Connolly

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

**Ministries for Next Week**

**Drumlish**

Word of God Sat Evelyn Maher & Conf Cl  
Sun Mikie Mollaghan & Conf Cl  
Communion Sat Terry Cooney  
Sun Mary Gillooley

**Ballinamuck**

Word of God Sun Adrian Lennon & Conf Cl.  
Communion Sun Breege Donnelly



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**"During Lent, let us find concrete ways to overcome our indifference."**  
Pope Francis

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



- ♦ **Calling Pioneers and Friends** to the 25th Pioneer National Ball on Saturday 6th April beginning with Mass at 6 pm. in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, followed by guest speaker, dinner and dancing at the Annebrook House Hotel. For details contact 0857201646 or 0876544626.
- ♦ **AGM of Drumlish Tidy Towns** takes place Monday 19th February at Drumlish Library at 8pm. All welcome!
- ♦ **AGM of the Drumlish Ballinamuck Area Development** clg is scheduled for Wednesday 21st February 2024 at Drumlish Library at 8.30pm.
- ♦ **Book Club in Drumlish library.** Would you like to be part of a Book club that meets once a month to chat about a book over tea and biscuits? Depending on interest it will be on Friday morning or afternoon or Sat morning. Let me know your preference and majority number will decide. Phone Mary on 043 3324760 or mkiernan@longfordcoco.ie
- ♦ **Coffee morning in Drumlish library** on Sat. Feb. 24 th at 11am. Come & see all the services available, free of charge. All welcome
- ♦ **Monaduff Social Club** hold their first social day of 2024 in Monaduff on Saturday 24th February from 3 to 5 p.m. Looking forward to see you and new members are very welcome to join us.
- ♦ **Monaduff Marathon 2023** Saturday 28th October 2023 saw the second staging of the Monaduff Marathon to raise funds for the Childrens Health Foundation. Through donations on the day and online support a total of €2716.00 was raised. Sincere thanks to all who supported the event and to Fr. Manning Gaels GAA Club for the facilities.
- ♦ **St Patricks NS Ballinamuck** is now accepting enrolments for 2024/2025 Enrolment form is available on Ballinamuck NS website or by contacting the school 0433324063.
- ♦ **St Helens** are holding an EGM on 21/02/2024 in Monaduff at 8pm. All welcome
- ♦ **Ballinamuck Social Dancing & Community Gathering** next evening is on Sunday, February 25th @ 5pm. Contact Aisling 086 3663901.

**Baptism**

Josué Leandro Medeiros Borges s/o Gleuber and Samara, Sliabh Cairbre was baptized and welcomed into our faith community last weekend. We congratulate and wish the family every blessing.

**Deaths**

Pray for the repose of the souls of:

- ♦ Helen Cullen, The Meadows whose funeral Mass takes place this Sunday in St. Mary's Drumlish at 11 a.m. followed by cremation in Lakelands Crematorium in Cavan at 3.30 p.m..
- ♦ Peter Mallon Leahy, of New York City, who passed away at the age of 88 last Saturday. Peter was the son of Bea Mallon, late of New York City and Kilmahon, and the grandson of Ellen McAvey Mallon and Peter Mallon, late of Kilmahon. May they rest in peace. We extend our prayers and sympathies to both families at this time.

**Lent**

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

Church	Believe	Fasting	Forgiveness
Friendship	God	Growth	Healing
Holy	Hope	Jerusalem	Jesus
Lent	Luke	Mercy	Prayer
Spirit	Worship		

**Future Proofing the Faith Community in our Parish**

- The following is a brief summary of our recent Pastoral Council meeting.
1. Based on the current age profile of priests across our diocese, by the year 2030 there will be just 25 priests remaining that will be under the age of 75. To prepare for the future when we will not have assigned priests in our parish, Pastoral Councils will be required to become more pro-active and discerning in the administration of the parish. In view of that reality Parish Pastoral Councils are being asked to discern and actively promote:
    - ♦ the pastoral needs of the parish and to use and enable the resources within the parish regarding Sacramental preparation
    - ♦ the care and maintenance of parish property
    - ♦ administering and taking responsibility for the financial running of the parish
    - ♦ coordinating and enabling people within the parish to conduct prayer services and funeral services
    - ♦ the need to discern those who may serve as catechists or deacons where there is no priest
  2. Child protection and the implementation of best practice needs to be reviewed. Its important that an adult should be present at all times when children are in the sacristy and that the adult should be vetted. Vetting forms are easily downloaded and help can be sought if you have any difficulties. Please note that the two parish safeguarding representatives are Margaret Prunty (Cloonagh Upper) and Sinead Hilton (Ballinamuck). Thanks to Fiona O'Toole and Siobhan Coppinger who filled that role up to now. It is suggested that the parents of the children serving should fulfil the role of the adult presence.
  3. Pastoral Council will discuss further at next meeting to agree an approach in terms of commencing a monthly family mass.
  4. Next meeting scheduled for the Parochial House at 8 pm on Monday 26th February.