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Two disciples of Jesus were on their way to the village of Emmaus

# Drumlish & Ballinamuck Parish Newsletter



They told their story of how they recognised Him at the breaking of Bread



A true friend never gets in your way unless you happen to be going down

3rd Sunday of Easter (A) 3rd May 2014

## Mass Intentions—St. Mary's Drumlish

Sat 8.00: Annie Quinn and Dillon Dfm  
Sun 11.00: Do this in Memory  
Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo  
Tue 9.30: Bridie/Richard Ryan  
Fri 8.00: Eamon Mulleady, Cloonaugh Lr  
Sat 8.00: Tom Keogh  
Sun 11.00: Manning Gaels/St. Vincents/St. Helens Dc

## Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Sun 10.00: Dan Sorohan, Fardrummin  
Fri 7.30: Desmond Keenan, Gaigue  
Sun 10.00: Tommy Rogers & Dfm

*Note: Adoration & Confessions after Friday Mass.  
No weekday Mass in Ballinamuck this week.*

## Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Declan Mimmagh  
Sun: GAA Members  
Eucharist Sat: Irene McNally  
Sun: Joe Caldwell & Mary Breslin

## Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Adrian Lennon  
Eucharist Sun: Ryan McGee

## Money Matters

Drumlish p685, Trócaire p538  
Ballinamuck p190, Shrine p181, Trócaire p921  
Special envelopes for Priests Dues are available at the back of the church for those who don't use the normal envelope system. Thank you for your support.

**DON'T JUST HEAR  
GOD'S MESSAGE —  
DO IT!**

James 1:16-18 and  
Luke 17:11-19

## Monaduff Social Club

- A Bealtaine Festival social will be held in the Centre, Newtownforbes on Thursday, 15th May at 2 p.m. Anyone interested in travelling to the social by bus, please contact Betty Creegan at 087-9790996 or Adrian Lennon at 087-7056605.
- Our outing day trip will be on Wed., 18th June.
- Next meeting takes place on 19th May at 8 p.m.

## Melodies in May

An evening of Choral Music with Longford County Choir, Soloists and Anton's Orchestra in St. Mary's Drumlish this Sunday evening at 7 p.m. sharp. Proceeds in aid of Drumlish Village & Area Enhancement Heritage projects. Don't miss this special musical evening.

## Blessing and Dedication of New Cemetery

We invite you to join with Bishop Francis Duffy who will perform the official Blessing and Dedication of the New Cemetery on Sunday 11th May directly after 11.00 am Mass. We thank everyone in the community for their generous support to date and hope that you will continue to support us in the future. Remember, graves are available for sale at the reduced rate of p700 for a three grave family plot, p470 for a two grave family plot and p235 for a single grave until 1st July 2014. After 1st July graves will revert to the standard prices of p900, p600 and p300. Contact: Brendan Daly on 087 7717886, Seamus Mimmagh 086 8622298 or any committee member.

## First Holy Communion

The children of St. Mary's N.S. will make their first Holy Communion on Saturday next at 12 o'clock. We pray for the children, their families and teacher this week and wish them a very happy celebration on Saturday.

## Drumlish/Ballinamuck Community News

- **Lotto:** The Fr. Manning Gaels /Ballinamuck enterprise **lotto** takes place tomorrow, jackpot p4600 envelopes available in all shops and pubs in the parish!
- **Bingo:** Don't forget **Bingo** every Tuesday in the 98 hall Ballinamuck at 8.30. p1300.00 in prize fund, see you there!
- An event to create local employment to bring our people back home 8pm, May 8th, Longford Arms. Jobs on offer on the evening. You will hear how to use your connections abroad to bring jobs to this region as well as getting a chance to meet employers from across the four counties with jobs. This will be followed by a panel discussion on the upcoming championship with reps from each county.
- **Check out Volunteering Options:** Longford Volunteer Centre have organised an opportunity for you to meet with six local Community and Voluntary Organisations who are looking to recruit volunteers. This roadshow will be held in the EDI Centre on May 15th 10am-12noon. If interested in attending, contact Terri on 087 2915367 or email [Terri@volunteerlongford.ie](mailto:Terri@volunteerlongford.ie)
- **Ballinamuck Enhancement:** Meeting 8th May next @ 9pm sharp upstairs in the Hall. Tidy Towns season is well and truly upon us. Volunteers/suggestions required and welcomed.
- **Easter Raffle:** Many thanks to everyone who bought tickets for our Easter raffle, winners were as follows; Rachel Donnelly, Freddie Dillon & Noel Reilly.

## Mass for Deceased Club Members

Next Sunday is a special day for the parish as we pray for the deceased members of Fr. Manning Gaels, St. Vincent's and St. Helen's. + Francis Duffy will be celebrating the Mass with members of the three organisations leading the liturgy, followed by the blessing of the new extension to the cemetery.

## Vocations Sunday

Next Sunday is vocations Sunday. We are all acutely aware of the shortage of priests and the ageing profile of the present shepherds. Vocations come from homes of faith and prayer. If there is no prayer in the home or experience of church, vocations cannot flourish. It is sad to see our churches empty of young children at weekends. It's not the fault of the children, but of a weakening of faith and commitment in our families and young parents. Do you bring your children to church on Sunday? It is from your families that vocations will come, but **you** have to create the conditions where the seed will grow.

## Garden Open Day

Garden Open Day in aid of Carol Forde Galvin Fund at Paddy & Mary Gillooley on Saturday May 24th from 10am to 6:30pm.

## Station Mass

The Station Mass for Mary St. & Mill Road will be held on Thursday at 8 p.m. hosted by Irene McNally. All in the station area are invited to come along. Dates and times of other stations to be confirmed.

## Ballinamuck Essert Twinning 2014—Get Involved

After a very exciting, fun and educational exchange in France last year, it is now the turn of Ballinamuck to welcome their French twinning partners in July this year. If you would like your children to benefit from these fun and educational experiences, become involved either through hosting French children similar in age to your own or hosting one of the adults. The group will consist of seven girls and six boys ages between thirteen and seventeen, three eighteen year olds and thirteen adults. If you would like to be involved in any way please contact the Chairperson Paddy Howe (0879613312).