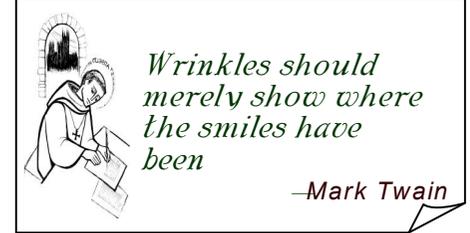


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10th Sunday of Ordinary Time ☉ 9th June 2013

Mass Intentions—St. Mary's

Mon 9.30: Misa Pro Populo
Sun 11.00: Cemetery Sunday

Mass Intentions—St. Patrick's

Sun 10.00: Thomas Cassidy & Dfm
Sun 10.00: Marilyn McDermott

Ministries—St. Mary's Drumlish

Readers Sat: Rosa Collum
Sun: Kathleen Dunleavy
Eucharist Sat: Joe Caldwell
Sun: Marian McNally

Ministries—St. Patrick's Ballinamuck

Readers Sun: Coleen Quinn
Eucharist Sun: Bridie Reilly

Money Matters

Drumlish: p575; Ballinamuck: p465.

New Cemetery

- New Cemetery meeting on Tuesday 11th June at 8.30pm in Community Centre. Everyone welcome.
- The New Cemetery Committee will be holding a collection at the Cemetery Gates on Cemetery Sunday, 16th June. Your support is much needed and appreciated.

Longford Cycle Tour

The Longford Cycle Tour will take place on Sunday 16th June, 2013 at 10.30 am at the Mall Complex, Longford with 15km, 50km and 100km routes. For further information go to www.longfordsports.ie or call 043 3343450.

Ballinamuck Diary

- **Ballinamuck Bingo** takes place every Tuesday night at 9 pm in the 98 Hall. Nightly prize fund p1300, fun for all ages!
- **St Vincent's** training continues this week, best of luck in all this week's games!
- **Playground:** Meeting Thursday 13th June upstairs in hall @ 8.30pm. Updates on application, fundraising etc. Hope to see you all there.
- **Tidy Towns:** Tidy up organised for tomorrow evening. Meeting a hall @ 7.30pm. Let's make the most of this good weather!

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the children of Ballinamuck N.S who made their first Holy Communion last Sunday:

Eoin Murtagh	Anthony Bohan
Ciara Culliney	Amanda Quinn
Seán Conboy	Killian Reynolds
Megan McQuaive	Leah Connell
Seán Mulligan	Kaelum Gill
Sinéad McKenna	Aaron Conboy
Pádraig Lillis	Kellie McPartland
Niall Touhey	Rory McEvoy

Celebrating 40 Years of Priesthood

Fr. Pat Lennon, a native of this parish, is 40 years ordained this year. There will be a special Mass of thanksgiving on Friday, 14th of June at 7.30 pm, in St. Brigid's Church, Ardagh. This will be followed by a social and refreshments in the Local Community Centre. Anyone who is free is welcome to come along and make this a joyful celebration for Fr. Pat and his family.

I.C.A.

The June Meeting of the above Guild will take place this Monday night June 10th in the Visitors Centre at 8.30pm. It is important that all members attend.

Mission Awareness

This weekend, we welcome Mary Duignan who will speak at the Masses about the Sisters of St. Peter Claver and their work for the missions. Your support will be greatly appreciated. There will be a collection.

Blessing of Graves

The Blessing of Graves will take place next Sunday, 16th June. Graves will be blessed after Mass following the pattern of previous years @ Ballinamuck Old Cemetery and New Cemetery; Drumlish Old Cemetery followed by New Cemetery and ending with Kilmahon Cemetery. A collection will be taken up at the cemetery gates @ please support. **Note: Blessing of Graves in Killoe this weekend.**

I Didn't Speak Up

In Germany, they first came for the Communists and I did not speak up because I wasn't a Communist. Then they came for the Jews and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew. Then they came for the trade unionists and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a trade unionist. Then they came for the Catholics and I didn't speak up because I was a Protestant. Then they came for me and by that time, there was no one left to speak up. - Martin Niemöller

Eternal Time

*Time is too slow for those that wait,
Too swift for those that fear,
Too long for those that grieve,
Too short for those who rejoice,
But for those who love, time is Eternity.*
Henry Van Dyke

Choose Life 2013

- † Church Teaching: Human life is sacred and inviolable at every moment of existence, including the initial phase which precedes birth. All human beings, from their mothers' womb, belong to God who searches them and knows them, who forms them and knits them together with his own hands, who gazes on them when they are tiny shapeless embryos and already sees in them the adults of tomorrow whose days are numbered and whose vocation is even now written in the "book of life" (cf. Ps 139: 1, 13-16). There too, when they are still in their mothers' womb—as many passages of the Bible bear witness—they are the personal objects of God's loving and fatherly providence. - Evangelium vitae, 61, Encyclical Letter of Pope John Paul II.
- † Abortion Legislation: The right to life is the most fundamental of all rights because it is the foundation of all other rights. Assurances that the Abortion Bill will provide very limited access to abortion in response to suicidal ideation are unreliable. The Abortion Bill, in keeping with the X Case judgement, is clear that the risk of suicide need not be immediate or inevitable to satisfy a judgement of good faith, that there is a risk to the life of a mother. The Abortion Bill fails to adequately balance the right to life of the mother with that of the baby, something which current law and medical practice does. This [medical practice] has contributed to Ireland continuing to be one of the safest countries to carry an unborn baby through to birth. On the basis of testimony from medical professionals abortion is not an appropriate treatment for suicidal ideation.
- † We have to ask the question again: in what other area would a treatment that is not appropriate, that brings clear risks to the health of a mother - and which results in the death of another totally innocent person - be legislated for by our public representatives? - Archbishop Michael Neary, 2 June 2013.