

Parish of Crosserlough - Newsletter

28th June 2020 -

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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St. Mary's Church Crosserlough

Masses on FM 108

Sunday		10.00 am
Monday	29th June	9.00 am
Tuesday, Thursday	30th & 1st	10.00 am
Thursday, Friday	2nd & 3rd July	7.30 pm

St. Joseph's Church Drumkilly

Saturday		8.00 pm
Wednesday	1st July	10.00 am
First Friday	3rd July	8.30 pm

St. Patrick's Church Kilnaleck

Sunday		11.15 am
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We Pray For The Deceased:

Sunday 28th 10.00 am Serena Galligan, Crosserlough MM Mass
Friday 3rd 7.30 pm Joseph, Julia McCabe, Eileen McGovern, Latnadrone
Eoin, Mary Ann Reilly, Peter Cooney, Keenagh
Sunday 5th 10.00 am Philip Comiskey, Kill, Months Memory Mass

According to regulations - all those who attend Mass have to be recorded, so that in case of an outbreak of the virus names can be identified and helped immediately

Church Notices

Crosserlough Parish Guidelines to Re-Opening of the Churches for Mass

Church opening times for weekend masses as follows -

- ♦ St. Joseph's Church Drumkilly closed Saturdays from 5 to - 7.30 pm
Mass at 8 pm Saturday evenings
- ♦ St. Mary's Church Crosserlough - 9.30 am Mass at 10 am Sunday mornings
- ♦ St. Patrick's Church Kilnaleck - 10.45 am Mass at 11.15 am Sunday mornings

One Way System - The 3 churches will operate a one way system by parishioners coming in one door and exiting by another door (side or back door)

Sanitise - On entry to the church please use sanitisers provided outside the door

Face Masks - are Optional

Offertory Collection - A box will be in the porch to put your envelope/s in on entry to the church. We thank you all for your continued support during lockdown.

Seating Area - Please observe markings on seats (ushers will be there to help)

Mass Leaflets - Will be in the church porch, please take home all leaflets after use.

Altar Servers - There will be no altar servers at this time - this is to limit physical contact around the altar.

Eucharistic Ministers - will sanitise visibly at the front of the altar

Holy Communion - After the final prayer, holy communion will be distributed at the altar for those who wish to receive—please use both hands (in cup form) when receiving. This is in the interest of celebrant, parishioner and minister.

Exit the Church - Immediately after receiving communion parishioners will exit the church via the opposite door (on way system)

Social Distancing - Please observe social distancing when in the church by adhering to the markings set out.

Ushers - The ushers will be inside the church to guide you, please follow their direction. This is the new normal for now. All these guidelines are in the interest of everyone's safety. We welcome you all back to the church and hope that you will continue to keep safe and well.

Sanitising - All seats in the church will be sprayed and sanitised immediately after mass

Fruits of the Holy Spirit—9 Gifts of the Holy Spirit—7

- ♦ Love
- ♦ Joy
- ♦ Peace
- ♦ Patience
- ♦ Kindness
- ♦ Goodness
- ♦ Gentleness
- ♦ Faith Fullness
- ♦ Self Control



- ♦ Wisdom
- ♦ Understanding
- ♦ Right Judgement
- ♦ Courage
- ♦ Knowledge
- ♦ Reverence
- ♦ Wonder and Awe in God's Presence

Ten Commandments for reducing stress

Thou shall learn not to be perfect nor even try to be
Thou shall learn not to be all things to all people
Thou shall learn to leave things undone
Thou shall learn not to spread yourself too thinly
Thou shall learn to say no
Thou shall learn to schedule time for yourself and your friends
Thou shall learn to switch off and do nothing
Thou shall learn never to feel guilty unless you are guilty
Thou shall learn to be your own best friend
Thou shall learn not to take life too seriously

Confirmation and First Holy Communion
Confirmation will be celebrated in July /August
First Holy Communion will be celebrated in October



A Smile:

A smile is quite a funny thing
It wrinkles up your face.
And when it's gone, you'll never find, it's secret hiding place.
But far more wonderful it is,
To see what smiles can do:
You smile at one, he smiles at you
And so one smile makes two.
He smiles at someone, since you smile
And then that one smiles back,
And that one smile - smiles until in truth you fail in keeping track.
And since a smile can do great good by cheering hearts of care,
Let's smile at every one we meet, For smiles go everywhere!!

Helping out with the Re-Opening of the Churches

Those who wish to help out with the covid preparations in reopening the churches may come along on the following—

- ♦ **Crosserlough Church - Monday 29th - 8 pm**
- ♦ **Drumkilly Church - Tuesday 30th - 8 pm**
- ♦ **Kilnaleck Church - Tuesday 30th - 8 pm**
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Before the arrival of St. Patrick 21st June was a big pagan festival and it was celebrated in style in our county because the second shrine of significance in all of Ireland was at Magh Sleacht which means the plain of prostrations and was in the parish of Templeport. At this time our pagan forefathers assumed the gods to be revealed in the sun, moon and stars, and the anger of these gods successfully manifested in thunder and lightning and this god. The god of thunder was Crom Cruadh and the celebration began on the summer solstice June 21st coming to a high point in the first days of August (Lughnasa) Unfortunately for some human sacrifices were offered to Crom. Adults and children. When St. Patrick had broken the power of the @Druids@ at Tara the principal pagan shrine he destroyed the shrine of Crom putting on end to the barbaric practice of human sacrifice.