

## Our Parish Newsletter

9th August 2020 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
15th August - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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### Mass Times

St. Mary's Sun, Mon, Tue - 10.00 am; Thursday - 7.30 pm;  
Feast of the Assumption - Saturday 15th - 10.00 am;  
St. Joseph's Sat - 8.00 pm; Wed - 10.00 am, Vigil Mass - Friday 14th 8 pm; •  
St. Patrick's Sun - 11.15 am; Feast of the Assumption Sat - 11.15 am

### We Pray For The Deceased:

#### St. Joseph's

Saturday 8th 8.00 pm Nancy O'Reilly, Crenew  
Saturday 15th 8.00 pm People of the Parish

#### St. Mary's

Sunday 9th 10.00 am David Connolly, Kilnacrott, Memorial Mass  
Thursday 13th 7.30 pm Peter Greene, Derrylea  
Sunday 16th 10.00 am Anne, Sean Briody, Graddum  
Decd of Cosgrove and O'Neill families

St. Patrick's 11.15 am Seán and Kieran Reilly, Lisduff Rd

St. Joseph's - Altar Society August: T McVeety, C. Shalvey, D Gaffney  
Readers August: Peter Galligan, Margaret Callery

St. Mary's - Altar Society August: D McEnerney, I Duffy, M Reilly (Corlateerin),  
Tina Briody

Face Masks: Following with HSE guidelines - from 20th July it is now recommended that we all wear face masks in inside gatherings.

### Offertory Collection - April, May, June

	2019	2020
Crosserlough	€10,806	€5,363
Drumkilly	€5,918	€3,036
Kilnaleck	€5,058	€2,512

## Church Notices

**Confirmation 2020:** Well done to the children who received confirmation over the last 3 weekends also to all those who decorated the altars with flowers and the people who supervised the covid 19 precautions for the ceremonies giving up their time to keep us all safe. Thanks to Brid McEvoy who on this occasion had to put together three individual booklets for the three schools. Thanks also to their teachers for attending rehearsals and the ceremonies. We had 38 children in all and they carried out their little jobs to perfection and as a worshipping community we can all be proud of them. We wish them all the best as they prepare to go on to the next stage of development in September as they head off to secondary school.

Some people may remember when children made their First Communion in 1<sup>st</sup> class and then it was considered to be too early as some children would not be even eight years when they received. So from that time the age of most children receiving as part of second class would be eight or even nine. The great Swiss Developmental Psychologist Piaget called this age group the "concrete operational" stage of cognitive development. By this he meant that children of this age see and understand things in very concrete black and white terms. They still have some difficulty in the abstract or understanding symbolism. And so it can be a challenge to offer direct, concrete explanation of abstract concepts like the bread and wine becoming the body and blood of Christ. Perhaps the best way to enable their understanding of what happens at mass is for each child to see how important it is for their parents. As children of this age group "worship" their parents and they see that receiving at Mass is important in your life they follow suit.

### Entrance Hymn

*Here I am Lord*

I the Lord of Sea and Sky  
I have heard my people cry  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night, I will  
make their darkness bright  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

### Chorus

*Here I am Lord, is it I Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the  
night, I will go Lord, if you lead  
me. I will hold your people in my  
heart.*

### Recessional Hymn

Seek ye first the kingdom of God. And his  
righteousness, and all these things shall be  
added unto you.  
Hallelu, Hallelujah! x 2

Ask, and it shall be given unto you. Seek,  
and you shall find.  
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you.  
Hallelu, Hallelujah! x2

