

Our Parish Newsletter

13th December 2020 - 3rd Sunday in Advent

Rev. Peter McKiernan PP 4336798

Brid McEvoy, Parish Secretary,

Thursday only until after Christmas

2.30 - 5.30 pm - 0861553930

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Mass Times

St. Joseph's: Saturday 7.30 pm, Wednesday - 10 am

St. Mary's: Sunday, Mon, Tues - 10 am; Thurs, Friday - 7.30 pm

St. Patrick's: Sunday 11.15 am

We Pray For The Deceased:

St. Joseph's:

Saturday 12th 7.30 pm Martina, Etta & Benny Gaffney, Corlislea

Saturday 19th 7.30 pm Kevin, Anna, John Galligan, AUGHAWEE

St. Mary's:

Sunday 13th 10.00 am Tom & David Connolly, Kilnacrott

Sunday 20th 10.00 am Ellen & Benny McEvoy, Rassan
James & Mary McEvoy, Rassa

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 20th 11.15 am Monica Tighe (nee Boylan) Memorial Mass

Altar Society December

St. Mary's: Teresa Callery, Olivia Callery, Brenda Smith, Mgt McKiernan

St. Joseph's: Eileen O'Dowd, Sheila Brady, Annette Boylan

O Holy Night

O holy night the stars are brightly shining
It is the night of our dear Savior's birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks, a new and glorious morn

Fall on your knees

O hear the angel voices

O night divine,

O night when Christ was born

O night divine, O night, O night divine.

O Come Emmanuel

O Come, O come, Emmanuel,
to free your captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here.
Until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel.

To you shall come Emmanuel



In accordance with Covid 19 regulations on Gov.ie:

- ◆ Crosserlough, as a large church, will be divided into two pods splitting the church front benches in one pod and back benches in the second.
- ◆ The church is of sufficient size to allow 50 in each pod.
- ◆ The front and back doors will be used to ensure safety for each pod.
- ◆ Drumkilly can accommodate 60 people.
- ◆ Kilnaleck can accommodate 50 people.
- ◆ Once the churches are full, people will be asked to listen to Mass in their cars from loudspeakers outside the churches.
- ◆ Eucharistic Ministers will bring Holy Communion to those in cars who wish to receive it.

To ensure that everyone who wishes to attend a Christmas Mass will not miss out there will be:

3 Masses on Christmas Eve

3 Masses on Christmas Day

3 Masses on St. Stephen's Day, 10 & 11.15 am, 7.30 – Vigil Mass Feast of Holy Family

2 regular Sunday Masses on 27th December - 10 & 11.15 am.

Act of Perfect Contrition Due to Government recommendations and restrictions there can not be one to one confessions as there will be a short service of Preparation for an Act of Perfect Contrition for those who would like to receive for Christmas. These will take place over the radio connection on the 4th week of Advent.

- * How do we make an Act of Perfect Contrition?
- * We come before God as we are.
- * We reflect on his infinite love of us. We contemplate the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross for our sins.
- * We honestly recognise our sins and how they have betrayed the God who loves us.
- * We make a firm commitment with the help of God's grace to make amends and not to sin again.
- * We firmly resolve to go to Confession and receive the sacrament of reconciliation as soon as it is possible to do so.
- * We are obliged to bring our serious sins to Confession as soon as we can because God calls us to do so by the Sacrament he has given to us through Jesus Christ. The Sacrament also supports us in taking ownership of the wrongs we have done by naming them. We hand them over to the Lord, personified by the priest, in a clear physical sign of encounter with the mercy of God and of our reconciliation with him. It is also a sign of our recognition that to our sin has weakened the unity in love of the Christian community, the Church, and that we need to be reconciled with the Body of Christ which we have wounded. Through it we make our repentance concrete. Through this visible sign the grace of God is realised in us.