

Our Parish Newsletter

2nd April 2023 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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Thursday 2.30 - 5.30 pm - 0861553930
Parish Website: www.crosserloughparish.ie
Mass Broadcast - 108FM

Mass Times :

St. Mary's - Sunday - 10 am; Mon, Tues, 10 am; Thur & Friday - 7.30 pm
 St. Joseph's - Saturday - **8.00 pm** ; Wednesday - 10 am;
 St. Patrick's - Sunday 11.15 am;

Schedule of Masses & Services for Easter - see overleaf

Visitation of the Sick
 & Homebound -
 Good Friday Morning

We Pray For The Deceased:

St. Joseph's

Saturday 1st 8.00 pm Patrick Shalvey, New York
 Wednesday 5th 10.00 am Molly Cahill, Drumlara
 Easter Sunday 10.00 am Peter, James & Margaret Galligan, Drumlara

St. Mary's:

Sunday 2nd 10.00 am Phylis, Matthew & Margaruite Kane, Cullow
 Monday 3rd 10.00 am Patrick & Elizabeth Colwell, Drumrora
 Saturday 8th 8.00 pm Betty, Mary & Terry Reilly, Corlateerin Upper

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 2nd 11.15 am Eugene & Eithne McInerney, Kilnaleck

Volunteers for April

St. Joseph's

Readers: Tom Sullivan and Michael Cronin.

E. Ministers: Michael Cronin and Thomas Harten.

Altar Society: Eileen Galligan and Rosaleen Cronin.

Collectors: Maggie McDermott and Gerald O'Reilly.

St. Patrick's

Reader: Sheila Lynch

E. Minister: Damien O'Reilly

St. Mary's

Reader: Niall & Catherine Ames & Teresa Callery

E. Minister: Helen Donohoe

Blessing of the Graves 2023



St. Joseph's Church - Saturday 5th August at 6 pm

St. Mary's Church - Sunday 6th August at 11 am

St. Patrick's Church - Sunday 13th - Time to be Decided.

- ◆ **Drumkilly Hall:** Next general meeting will take place Monday 3rd April at 8.30 pm and not 27th March as previously arranged.
- ◆ **The Season for First Communion is upon us once again. As this is the first religious experience that the children will have, please remember not to spoil the occasion by taking liberties with camera phones or video technology. I'm sure you will have a chance to do so after the ceremonies with the parents permission of course!!!**
- ◆ The Christians were subjected to terrible forms of punishment and the grounds of persucation were in fact political. The Roman Empire included almost the whole known world from Scotland to Bagdad. How could that vast amalgam of people's be somehow evolved into one. Where could a unifying principle be found! There was one man who personified the Empire, one man in whom the Empire and that was the Emperor and with the passage of time the Emperor was regarded as a God. Eventually the worship of the Emperor became not voluntary but compulsory. Once a year each citizen had to go and burn a pinch of incense to the "divinity" of Caesar and say, "Caesar is Lord". And that is precisely what the Christians refused to do. For them Jesus Christ was Lord. Those who did worship in the expected way received a certificate to say that they did so. The Christians refused to conform to the law and so they became outlaws. In the vast Empire, Romans could not afford pockets of disloyalty, and that is exactly what every Christian congregation appeared to the Roman authorities to be.
- ◆ **Trócaire:** Don't forget to feed your Trócaire Box so that Trócaire can feed the Starving. Please hand in Trócaire donations in an envelope on Holy Thursday.

Easter Ceremonies

Crosserlough	Drumkilly	Kilnaleck
Holy Thursday 7.30 pm	Holy Thursday Service Led by the Laity - 8.30 pm	-
Good Friday 7.00 pm	Good Friday 5.00 pm	Good Friday 3.00 pm
Easter Vigil 8.00 pm	-	-
-	Easter Sunday 10.00 am	Easter Sunday 11.15 am