

## Our Parish Newsletter

*23rd April 2023—Third Sunday after Easter*

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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;

### **We Pray For The Deceased:**

#### **St. Joseph's**

Saturday 22nd	8.00 pm	John, Mary, Jimmy & Allo McDermott, Drumnalara
Wednesday 26th	10.00 am	Janey & Alice Galligan, Drumackinoe & Decd
Saturday 29th	8.00 pm	Gerard Smith, Larigan

#### **St. Mary's:**

Sunday 23rd	10.00 am	All the Deceased of Crosserlough GAA
Friday 28th	7.30 pm	John & Lily Donohoe, Druminisclin Finian & Peggy Callaghan, Church Rd
Sunday 30th	10.00 am	David Connolly, Kilnacrott, 3AM

#### **St. Patrick's:**

Sunday 23rd	11.15 am	Patrick & Mary Reynolds, Kill
Sunday 30th	11.15 am	Charlie Boylan, Toneylion & Decd.

### **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**

**Readers:** Niall & Catherine Ames & Teresa Callery

**E. Minister:** Helen Donohoe

**Trócaire:** Thanks to all who contributed so far. Any outstanding envelopes, please hand them in over next couple of weeks.

- ♦ **Altar Servers:** An Important meeting for the parents of Church altar servers in the Parish (3 church area's ) will be held in Drumkilly Hall at 8 pm on Wednesday 26th April with the parish safeguarding representatives.
- ♦ **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!!!**

### **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.

**The Kilmore Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage** takes place from the 2nd June to 7th June 2023, ... Contact CAVAN TRAVEL: Tel: 049 4361222 Email: [info@cavantravel.com](mailto:info@cavantravel.com). For full details.

- ♦ Modern Day China is ruled by an Atheistic Government in clear opposition to Christianity. So there was great hope when in 2018 an historic deal was reached between the Vatican and the Peoples Republic of China. This deal was seen as a breakthrough in a struggle for human rights and religious liberty. It was hoped that the lives of the 12 million Catholics living in china would be freed from the oppression of the Chinese authorities. Just five years on it would appear that such optimism was short lived because in that period China has tightened restrictions on the rights of Christians who represent about five per cent of the population of 1.4 Billion people while violating its initial agreement with the Vatican which was renewed in 2020 and then in 2022. All the members of the Chinese Communist Party are obliged to be atheists and the Government of China is determined to "Sinicise" Christianity by retranslating the bible.

### **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Come Christians all, rejoice and sing. With thankful hearts your praise bring.  
Risen is now our Lord and King. Alleluia (R)

On Sunday morn, at break of day. The sad discinles made their way. Seeking the place where Jesus lay. Alleluia (R)

