

Our Parish Newsletter

11th June 2023 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times :

St. Mary's - Sunday - 10 am; Mon, Tues 10 am; Thursday & 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:

♦ Martin Mullally Senior whose funeral was on Monday last.

St. Joseph's

Saturday 10th 8.00 pm Bridie McEvoy & Jamsie Smith, Drumhirk
Saturday 17th 8.00 pm Maggie Callery, 7AM & Decd. Aughawee

St. Mary's:

Friday 9th 7.30 pm Liam Rooney, Killafassey, 1st AM
Sunday 11th 10.00 am For the People of the Parish
Thursday 15th 7.30 pm Gráinne Hanley 4AM and Rose Boylan
Friday 16th 7.30 pm Paddy & Frank Smith Clare & Decd
Sunday 18th 10.00 am Andy Smith, Drumrora MMM

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 11th 11.15 am Pat Callan, Mullycastle, 2nd AM
Sunday 18th 11.15 am Patsy Leddy, Kill MMM

Volunteers June

Altar Society:

St. Mary's - Clare McCabe, Helen Sorohan, Anne & Kathleen Reilly
St. Joseph's - Betty Leddy, Margaret Smith, Sharon O'Reilly

Readers:

St. Mary's: Charlie Galligan, Micheál Reilly
St. Patrick's: Patricia Rennix

Eucharistic Ministers:

St. Mary's - Margaret Smith
St. Joseph's - Rose Mary Walsh, Bridie Keaney

Collectors:

St. Joseph's - John Andy Conaty, Bridie Keaney

Friday 16th June - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

1. **Crosserlough ICA Tour 12th to 15th June:** Bus pick up times on the 12th June are as follows - Realtóg Centre 8.30 am; St. Mary's Church Crosserlough 8.45 am; Quik Pick BJD 9.00 am.
Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: on the 9th of August. 2023

Baptism - Sponsor: The most important day in a child's life is the day of the baby's baptism. The child is baptised on the strength of the father of the community and so each baby should be baptised in the church of its parents parish. The role of the sponsor is not just one of making a lovely balanced photograph but a very serious role. The sponsor has the obligation of training the child in the practice of the faith especially if the child's parents don't go to mass. For this reason the sponsor should be chosen from the local mass going population, as a sponsor who is standing for a child who lives across the sea is not in a position to give the child good example or to bring the child to pray with the local parishioners. The sponsors should be a reflection of the parents one female one male. A sponsor ought to be 16 years of age so that when the baby becomes more aware of his/her family relationships the sponsor may become an influential person for them.,

A Structure for Prayer

1. Choose a Time - make a definite time dedicated only to prayer
2. Choose a place - It should be free from distractions
3. Go over the basic facts in your mind - Do not focus on your problems but on the truths revealed in God's Word.
4. Praise God - He is worthy of all praise
5. Ask God Questions - Ask him about his kingdom and about the scripture you have selected
6. Listen for an answer—Expect to have God within yourself and the scripture you have chosen.
7. Respond to God - Do this by asking forgiveness praying for wisdom and praying for others.

One of the major problems that people have when they do set time aside to pray is they have to deal with distractions. When we try to get rid of these they get more entrenched in our mind and we can't get rid of distractions. There is a remedy for this. Anthony de Mello believes that you have to learn to love these distractions and when you do they distractions lose their power. He gives the example of a person who comes to a "Guru" to get help with his prayer time. De Mello lived in India and there are a lot of swamps in the countryside full of frogs. So the "Guru" advised him that as long as he considered the frog to be a distraction he would have no peace of mind while praying. The croaking of frogs occupied his mind and unless he could learn to love the distraction (the frogs) he was going nowhere. So the man learned to love the croaking of the frogs and soon afterwards they ceased to be a distraction for him.

Confessions:

- ♦ Mon 12th June Kilnaleck - 6.30 pm; Drumkilly - 7.00 pm
- ♦ Tuesday 13th June Crosserlough - 7.00 pm