

## Our Parish Newsletter

1st October—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

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Mass Broadcast - 108FM

### Mass Times :

St. Mary's - Sunday, Mon, Tues, - 10 am; Thursday & Friday - 7.30 pm  
St. Joseph's—Wednesday - 10 am; Saturday 8 pm  
St. Patrick's - Sunday - 11.15 am

### We Pray For The Deceased:

- ◆ Nora Cusack, Druminisclin & Togher whose funeral was on Saturday
- ◆ Seamus Beirne brother of Martina Tully, Aughnahague whose funeral was in Ballinamore on Tuesday.

### St. Joseph's

Saturday 30th 8.00 pm Willie, Annie, Frank Keogh, Toneylion  
Thomas Clarke, Foxfield  
Wednesday 4th 10.00 am May Fitzpatrick (nee Reilly), Maynooth & Drumnalaragh  
Saturday 7th 8.00 pm Ann Reilly, Derrin

### St. Mary's:

Friday 29th 7.30 pm Noel Smith, Duffcastle  
Sunday 1st 10.00 am The People of the Parish  
Thursday 5th 7.30 pm Michael Byrd, Drumbee and all the Decd.  
Friday 6th 7.30 pm Eileen & Michael Donohoe, Graddum  
Sunday 8th 10.00 am Siobhán Gray, Mullycastle, 1st AM

### St. Patrick's:

Sunday 1st 11.15 am Monica Tighe, 3AM, Oliver Boylan, Kilnaleck 3AM  
Sunday 8th 11.15 am Maureen Leddy, Kill

### Volunteers October:

**St. Joseph's:** Reader: Ann Marie Briody.  
**St. Mary's:** Readers - Aisling O'Rourke, Jimmy Smith  
**St. Patrick's:** Patricia Rennix, Breda McIntyre  
**St. Joseph's:** Eucharistic Ministers: Michael Cronin, Kathleen Galligan.  
**St. Mary's:** Eucharistic Minister - Mary Brennan  
**St. Joseph's:** Altar Society: K Galligan, Mgt. Smith, Alice Cahill.  
**St. Mary's:** Altar Society: Una O'Reilly, Anna Mai Colwell, Michelle Murphy  
**St. Joseph's:** Collector: Patsy Galligan.

- ◆ **Visitation** of the sick and homebound on Friday 6th October.
- ◆ **Choir Practice:** resumes in Drumkilly Church, Thursday 4th October. New members welcome. Contact Mary 087 9795018 for details time etc.

St. Mary's Church Monthly Draw Results—May, June, July, August  
Thank you to you all for your continued support of our monthly draw.

Month	1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
May 2023	Michael & SDonohoe	Karl & C Kelly	D & Martha Fagan
Jun 2023	Niall & C Ames	Dessie & M Boylan	A & Olivia Callery
July 2023	Dessie & M Boylan	Sean & Peggy Reilly	Helen Galligan
Aug 2023	S & Mai Nulty	Declan & A Reilly	P & Helen Donohoe

- ◆ **Crosserlough ICA:** Monthly meeting in the Old School on Tuesday 3rd October at 7.30pm. Halloween Florestry Demo. on the night. New members welcome.
- ◆ **Pastoral Council:** A meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be held in St. Mary's Church on Friday 13th October at 8.30 pm.

In 1973 Pope Paul VI authorized special ministers of the Eucharist. At this time only a small number of people did receive weekly so that the distribution of Holy Communion at Sunday Mass took up a small portion of time within the mass. After the Popes (John Paul VI) visit to Ireland in 1979 the number of people receiving at Sunday Masses increased to such an extent that extraordinary ministers were recommended to serve as a way of avoiding too big a crowd, when there was only a priest to distribute communion. In 1983 the extraordinary ministry of the Eucharist was introduced to Irish diocese's and as a ministry it has gone from strength to strength.

Being an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist is no easy task and it takes a lot of skill. It takes concentration. It takes verbal and non-verbal expressiveness. It takes practise and it takes much love of the congregation that is ours.

There are three kinds of necessary contact in the sharing of Communion, ocular, verbal and tactile. Dare to let your eyes meet those of the communicant and repeat the wonder of God's love in the Eucharist. Dare to let your voice announce God's invitation to the Banquet of eternal life. Dare to feel the Communion as it transfers from your hand to the hands of the Communicant. .

- ◆ **October 2nd Feast day of the Guardian Angels:** God has given us a special angel for our protection and assistance both in soul and body especially at the time of our death. 'O Angel of God my guardian dear. To whom God's love commits me here. Ever this Day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen'

### Walk in the Light

1. Lets all join together  
in communion sweet  
Walk walk in the light  
And love one another  
Till the Saviour we meet.  
Walk, walk in the light  
Walk in the light (3)  
Walk in the light of God

### Nearer My God

Nearer, my God, to Thee  
Nearer to Thee  
E'en though it be a cross  
That raiseth me  
still all my song shall be  
Nearer, my God, to Thee  
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Nearer to Thee

1. Oh the love of my Lord is  
the essence of all that I love  
here on earth. All the beauty I  
see he has given to me and his  
giving is gentle as silence.

