

Our Parish Newsletter
5th November— 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times :

St. Mary's - Sunday 10 am; Mon & Tues. 10 am; Thurs & Fri - 7.30 pm
St. Joseph's—Saturday 7.30 pm; Wednesday - 10 am
St. Patrick's - Sunday - 11.15 am

We Pray For The Deceased:

Michael Duignan, Whose funeral was in Dublin recently (Eileen Dowd's Brother)

St. Joseph's

Saturday 4th	7.30 pm	Altar List of the Dead
Wednesday 8th	10.00 am	Altar List of the Dead
Saturday 11th	7.30 pm	Altar List of the Dead

St. Mary's:

Friday 3rd	7.30 pm	Fr. Paddy Gillick and Decd
Sunday 5th	10.00 am	Michael Sorohan, Derrylea, 2nd AM
Monday 6th	10.00 am	Tommy & Mary Smith, Killatogher
Tuesday 7th	10.00 am	Altar List of the Dead
Thursday 9th	7.30 pm	PJ Smith, The Lane and Decd
Friday 10th	7.30 pm	Patsy Sheridan, Drumeagle
Sunday 12th	10.00 am	Mary, Patrick & Seán McKiernan, Drumbarry

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 5th	11.15 am	Peggy (3 AM) & Mattie Boylan, Main St. & Decd.
Sunday 12th	11.15 am	Madge, Michael, Molly, Peter, & Decd Lynch Coolkill Marie McCabe, Barry Keane.

Volunteers November:

St. Patrick's Reader - Mairead Lynch

St. Mary's Readers - Anna McCabe, Conor Maguire

St. Joseph's Readers - Mary Sullivan, Lynch Family Aughawee

St. Patrick's Eucharistic Minister - Breda McIntyre

St. Mary's Eucharistic Minister - Teresa Callery

St. Joseph's Eucharistic Ministers - David Galligan, Michelle Lynch

St. Joseph's Collectors - Paddy Goldrick Tomás Harten

St. Joseph's Altar Society: Maggie McDermott, Kathleen Galligan

St. Mary's Altar Society: Peggy Lynch, Anita Smith, Dymphna McElroy

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: This Sunday 5th, annual day of prayer for the dead will take place from after 10 am Mass concluding with Benediction at 5 pm. There will also be prayers with adoration in Drumkilly Church. This will facilitate all those who visit the graves of their bereaved, so having prayed for them in the graveyard they can pray for them in the church and of equal significance they can expose their broken hearts to the healing power of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

Parish Meetings will take place throughout the Diocese of Kilmore to discuss the content of the Bishop's Pastoral Letter and allow parishioners to express their opinions. Check our website to view Bishop's Letter www.crosserloughparish.ie This is an excellent chance for you to have your say and ensure that our parish's views are heard. You are invited to participate in these meetings and thereby help prepare for the future together.

The meeting in our **Parish of Crosserlough** will take place on **Tuesday 7th November at 7.30 p.m. SHARP** in The GAA Clubrooms, Kilnaleck. It is vitally important that as many as possible attend to make plans for the future of the church in our parish.

Crosserlough ICA: Monthly meeting Tuesday 7th November in the Old School at 7.30 pm. Rushwork Demo on the night. New members welcome.

Norms for indulgences at the Commemoration of All Souls

- ◆ The faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence applicable only to the Holy Souls on the usual conditions once per day from 1st to 8th November.

◆ **The Churches Prayer for the Faithful Departed:**

For the souls of the faithful departed implores eternal life not only for the disciples of Christ who have died in his peace but for the dead whose faith is known to God. The just encounter God in death. He calls them to himself so as to share eternal life with them. No one however can be received into God's friendship and intimacy without having been purified of the consequences of personal sin. The Church gives the name Purgatory to this purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned. The Church formulated her doctrine of faith on Purgatory especially at the Councils of Florence and Trent'

- ◆ **When Christianity was legalised in 312 A.D.** the good news of the gospel began to move from the Mediterranean basin to Northern Europe where it came into conflict with Celtic Religion. The Celts New Years Day was on November 1st and they believed that the spirits of the dead emerged from the earth on that day and they were terrified of these spirits. One of their tactics was to wear hideous looking false faces in the hope of holding the spirits at bay by being as terrifying as the spirits. This of course is the origin of people wearing false faces as part of the Halloween outfit. So the Church introduced the feast of "All Saints" on November 1st emphasising how all these people who lived according to the gospel were now in heaven, highlighting the victory of good over evil and then acknowledging the fact that there may be, doubts about some, the church introduced "All Souls Day" November 2nd . This was to enable those who grieved to participate in the liberation of their deceased family members from their time in purgatory