

## Our Parish Newsletter

### **3rd December - First Sunday of Advent**

**8th December - Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

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Thursday 2.30 - 5.30 pm - 0861553930  
Parish Website: [www.crosserloughparish.ie](http://www.crosserloughparish.ie)  
Mass Broadcast - 108FM

#### Mass Times :

St. Mary's - Sunday 10 am; Mon & Tues. 10 am; Friday 8th - 10.00 am;  
St. Joseph's—Saturday 7.30 pm; Wed - 10 am; Thurs 7th - Vigil Mass - 7.30pm  
St. Patrick's - Sunday - 11.15 am; Friday 8th - 11.15 am

#### We Pray For The Deceased:

##### St. Joseph's

Saturday 2nd	7.,30 pm	Padjo & Mary Briody, Drumcassidy
Thursday 7th	7.30 pm	Paddy & Rosetta Smith, Drumloman & Decd.
Saturday 9th	7.30 pm	Ann Marie, (4th AM), Paddy & Peggy & Joe Halton, Cashel

##### St. Mary's:

Friday 1st	7.30 pm	Mattie Lynch, Latnadrone, 5th Anniversary
Sunday 3rd	10.00 am	Tomas Connolly (9AM), Kilnacrott
Friday 8th	10.00 am	Hubert Gaffney, (2 AM), Crosserlough
Sunday 10th	10.00 am	Bernie Nelson, Latnadrone Months Memory Mass

##### St. Patrick's:

Sunday 3rd	11.15 am	Tom & Kathleen McEnroe, Church Rd & Decd
Sunday 10th	11.15 am	Jimmy Smith, Tullyboy; Paddy Smith, Toneylion

**Church Cleaning for Christmas:** Volunteers needed on Thursday 7th December in Kilnaleck Church at 7.30 pm. Many hands make light work!!!

#### Volunteers December:

**St. Patrick's Reader** - John Higgins  
**St. Mary's Readers** - Conor Maguire, Catherine & Niall Ames  
**St. Joseph's Readers** - Catherine Harten, Rosaleen Smith  
**St. Patrick's Eucharistic Minister** -  
**St. Mary's Eucharistic Minister** - Carmel Cusack Smith  
**St. Joseph's Eucharistic Ministers** - Bridie Keaney, Rosemary Walsh  
**St. Joseph's Collectors** - Matt Galligan, PJ Boyle  
**St. Joseph's Altar Society:** Eileen O'Dowd, Annette Boylan, Sheila Brady  
**St. Mary's Altar Society:** Teresa Callery, Olivia Callery, Brenda Smith

- ◆ **Drumkilly Festive Frolics:** 10th December 3pm to 6pm in Drumkilly Hall - Christmas quiz, bingo, music & more. All welcome
- ◆ **Defibrillator Training :** Monday 11th December in at 7.30pm in the Old School. Anyone interested in doing this training please give names to Martha Fagan on - 086 8628739
- ◆ **Wedding Bookings:** All weddings booked for 2024 and 2025 please contact the office 049 4336798 - on Thursday 's 2.30 - 5.30 to confirm.
- ◆ **Christmas Markets in GAA Grounds Kilnaleck Friday 8th & Saturday 9th December 5 pm—8.30 pm.**
- ◆ **Kilnaleck Christmas Cracker: Fancy Dress, Non-Motorised Parade & Carol Singing by all our local school children on Main St. Kilnaleck at 5 pm.**

**St. Nicholas: Feast Day December 6th** - Say Saint Nicholas fast enough and often enough and you might hear yourself say Santa Claus. He was born in Turkey in the year 300 AD and died on the 6th December 345 AD and so we celebrate this feast day on the 6th December each year. He has become the patron saint of prisoners, sailors, and children. His association with children is connected with the case of a man who planned to sell his three daughters into prostitution because he was unable to provide dowries for them. Nicholas heard about the man's predicament, and he tossed a little bag of Gold into the window of the man's house on three different nights and this enabled the man to provide dowries for his three daughters. From this legend arose the custom of giving gifts secretly to children

#### There is a Place

There's a Time for Remembering, a time to Recall  
The trials and the Triumphs, The Fears and the Falls.  
There's a time to be grateful for moments so blest ,  
The Jewels in our memory where love is our guest.  
There is treasure in fields, there is treasure in our skies , there is treasure in our dreaming from the soul to the eye. For where ever we wonder in the light of God's grace and for all whom we remember there will ever be a place

#### Going Home, Going Home

Going home, going home, I am going home. Quiet like, some still day, I am going home  
It's not far, just close by.  
Through an open door. Work all done, care laid by, Never fear no more

