

Our Parish Newsletter

26th May 2024 - The Most Holy Trinity

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Parish Website: www.crosserloughparish.ie
Mass Broadcast - 108FM

Mass Times :

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

We Pray For The Deceased:

Tony Walsh, Ballyheelan whose funeral was on Monday last.

St. Joseph's :

Saturday 25th 8.00 pm Lórcan Hyland (baby), Drumnalaragh

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 26th 11.15 am All the Deceased members of Crosserlough GFC
Sunday 2nd 11.15 am Martin Mullally, Drumbee, 1st AM

St. Mary's:

Sunday 26th 10.00 am Susan Galligan, Mullycastle 2nd AM
Thursday 30th 7.30 pm Philip Comiskey, Kill 4th AM
Friday 31st 7.30 pm Gráinne Hanley 5th AM, Also Rose Boylan
Sunday 2nd 10.00 am The People of the Parish

First Holy Communion & Confirmation: We congratulate –All the children from our parish who received their First Communion & Confirmation during May. *“May the Lord Bless them all and keep them safe always in his love”*. Special thanks to all servers, sacristans, choirs, (esp. children's choir at Confirmation), those who arranged & supplied the flowers. This all added to the celebrations.



CHY3 Certs: Please continue to return your completed cert which went out in the post along with 2023 acknowledgements. Our parish can benefit financially from this. All monies received from revenue goes back to their own church area. Certs remain on file in the parish office.

Blessing of the Graves 2023



St. Joseph's Church - Saturday 3rd August at 6 pm
St. Mary's Church - Sunday 4th August at 11 am
St. Patrick's Kill Graveyard- Sunday 11th - August 11.15 am

‘Come Follow Me’ Weekend Workshop: 7th–9th June: An introductory training weekend to teach children (ages 7–11) about the Catholic faith using the ‘Come Follow Me’ catechetical programme, for use in parishes and schools. Presented by the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph at St Mary's Church, the Claddagh. No previous experience required! For more information and to register, please contact Ruth on (087) 4090344 or email comefollowmegalway@gmail.com.

3 Day pilgrimage to Lough Derg: Friday 21st May Until Thursday 15th August. Admission €80. Booking Advised. For Details Contact - 0719861518

East Cavan Regional PTAA: Annual Dinner Dance in the Lavey Inn Sunday May 26th preceded by Mass in St Dymphna's Church upper Lavey. Tickets €35 available from Ann 087 9608760 or Rosaleen 087 2450692

Kilnaleck Social Services: Functions take place in Realtog Centre alternative wednesdays 2_5 pm. Three course dinner and entertainment . Next function Wednesday May 29th when Charlotte Wilson will give a talk on healthy eating plus Bingo. New members always welcome More Details **Colette 086 0634805**

The Grieving Process – Meant for Ascension.

The grieving process begins when the person draws their last breath. This is normally a time of relief for the family as they have been under a lot of stress during the final days. This stress is relieved when the family members inform the extended family of the death. This stress is further relieved when neighbours hear of the death and they flood the house of the deceased bringing practical help in the shape of food. The process of grieving has begun in earnest as waves of outsiders arrive, many unknown to the immediate family. They introduce themselves and then follow up with stories about the deceased, which invariably create a larger, than life image of the deceased. So, people who have lots of energy will stay **“awake”** for the whole night and maybe a second night **“awake”**. This form of support is of huge benefit to the family. The process is now shifted to the passing through the door of the house for the last time, to pass through the church door for the celebration of the **funeral mass**. The mass will highlight the death and resurrection of Jesus from the dead, and this is made available to the deceased, which offers consolation to the family and extended family. The finality of death is highlighted as the coffin is lowered into the grave as the priest proclaims **“dust thou art and to dust you shall return”**. The family are now exhausted and fragile. To ease the burden, the tradition of the **month's memory mass** creates a space for grieving alone, to allow the frayed edges to be restored which is the benefit of having time to reflect. Between the **months memory mass** and the **1st anniversary mass** the grieving process ought not be disturbed so that the family can enter into the space of resting in peace. **‘May they Rest in Peace’**