## **Our Parish Newsletter**

# 8th September 2024 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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#### **Mass Times:**

St. Mary's - Sunday, Monday, Tuesday 10 am; Thursday, 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:

Saturday 7th	8.00 pm	Sean Brady, Drumhirk 5AM
Wednesday 11t	h 10.00 am	Jack & Kathleen Cronin, Carrickabawn
Saturday 14th	8.00 pm	Olivia, Bridget, Tom, & Hugh P Cronin, Derrin
St. Patrick's:		
Sunday 8th	11.15 am	Richard Mulholland MMM
Sunday 15th	11.15 am	Frank Nulty, Drumbarry; Also Eileen & Maggie
St. Mary's:		
Sunday 8th	10.00 am	Sean O'Reilly, Keenagh 3AM
		Grettie & Gerard O'Reilly Keenagh
Thursday 12th	7.30 pm	Thomas Smith 2 AM; Also Tommy & Mary Kilatogher
Friday 13th	7.30 pm	Sister Pius Galligan (Molly) formerly Drumcassidy
Sunday 15th	10.00 am	Eileen & Michael Donohoe, Graddum

#### **Volunteers September**

**St. Joseph's** - Reader: Ann McPhilips; Aoibhinn Gaffney. Eucharistic Ministers: Rosaleen Smith; Tomás Harten Altar Society: Martina Gaffney; Bridie Keaney Collectors: Rosaleen Smith; Philip Briody

St. Mary's - Readers - Micheál Reilly; Niall Ames Eucharistic Ministers - Teresa Gallery; Ruth Maguire St. Patrick's - Eucharistic Minister - Breda McIntyre Reader -

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Resumes in all churches in September.

#### St. Helena Feast Day 14th September

Helena was the mother of the Emperor Constantine who legalised Christianity. He decided to send Helena to Palestine to see if it was possible to locate the Cross on which Jesus had been crucified; Helena of course was already a Christian herself. And now at the age of 78 she leaves the city of Naples and sails for Jerusalem. She organised an army of labourers to dig and excavate and after weeks of labour the mound of Calvary began to emerge. What excitement there must have been when on hearing not one cross was unearthed but three. But which of the crosses was the true cross, to decide this a seriously ill woman was brought to the site and was requested to touch each of the crosses in turn and having touched the first two nothing happened, but coming in contact with the third she was immediately cured. The Emperor ordered the construction of a Basilica to mark the site of the crucifixion and would be known as the Holy Sepulchre Basilica. Helena as a result of her discovery was eventually declared a saint. The life experience of Helena had given her a deep reverence for the significance of the cross as her husband had left her when she returned to Rome. She persuaded the Emperor to put an end to the use of crucifixion as a form of capital punishment.



Our Lady of Sorrows: Mary, standing by the Cross, 'suffered intensely with her only begotten Son and united herself as his Mother to his sacrifice, consenting with love to the offering of the victim who was born of her', whom she also offered to the eternal Father (Marialis Cultus)

## Make me a channel of your peace Be Still My Soul

1. Make me a channel of your peace Where there is hatred let me bring your Bring patiently the cross of love

Where there is injury, your pardon Lord Leave to thy God, to comfort And where there is doubt true faith in You

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console To be understood as to understand



Be still my soul, the Lord is always near thee.

and to cheer thee in every change he faithful remains.

Ouietly, peacefully let me rest in you.

Quietly, peacefully lead me back to you.

In my weakness I have strayed, drifting far from you. In your goodness steady me,

