

Our Parish Newsletter
15th December 2024—3rd Sunday in Advent

Peter McKiernan PP 4336798
Brid McEvoy, Parish Secretary,
Thursday 2.30 - 5.30 pm - 0861553930
Parish Website: www.crosserloughparish.ie
Mass Broadcast - 108FM

Mass Times :

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

St. Joseph's:

Saturday 14th 7.30 pm Seamus Harten, Crenew 4AM
 Saturday 21st 7.30 pm Charlie & Maureen Comiskey, Drumackinoe

St. Patrick's:

Sunday 15th 11.15 am Lil Higgins, Church Rd 10 AM
 Sunday 22nd 11.15 am Anne Reilly, Drumbee Months Memory Mass

St. Mary's:

Sunday 15th 10.00 am Bridgie (7AM), Charlie Galligan Druminisclin & Decd
 Thursday 19th 7.30 pm Mattie, Farrell, Patsy, James & Bridget Smith, Derrylahan
 Also Mary Kate O'Hara
 Friday 20th 7.30 pm Annie & Paddy McCabe, Kiffa,
 Packie & Kathleen Dowd, Crosserlough
 Sunday 22nd 10.00 am Nancy Brady Duffcastle, 1st AM



Volunteers December

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

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
 And ransom captive Israel,
 That mourns in lonely exile here,
 Until the Son of God appear.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! O Israel,
 To you shall come Emmanuel

Be Still My Soul

Be still my soul, the lord is always
 near thee. Been patiently the cross of
 grief or pain.
 Leave to thy God, to comfort and to
 cheer thee in every change he
 faithful remains.

St. Mary's N.S. Crosserlough Enrolment 2025/2026: Enrolment of new entrants is now taking place for the 2025/2026 school year. For more details please call Brid 049 4336128 10 am - 2 pm or email office@crosserloughns.com

Kilnaleck National School 2024/2025: Enrolment forms are available now for parents seeking to enrol their child for the 2024/2025 school year. Please contact Mary (049) 4336728 (10am-2pm) or email Kilnaleckns1@gmail.com

CMETB are offering a range of Free, part time courses for adults in Ballyjamesduff in January 2025. Classes include Computers, Horticulture, Cookery, etc. For information contact Regina Clarke on 087 2855907 reginaclarke@cmetb.ie

Offertory Collection to Date—3 Churches

St. Mary's - €53467
St. Joseph's - €18724
St. Patrick's - €20765

Collection Boxes for 2025 now in the churches - Thank you

Confessions: Monday 16th - St. Joseph's - 6.30 pm; St. Patrick's - 7 pm
Tuesday 17th St. Mary's - 7 pm

For some time the fact that we have so few candidates for the priesthood we need to have a plan to deal with this deficit. The bishop has been encouraging the priests to fit in a structure, where there will be a mass in every church, and that no church will be closed. The Bishop had set a deadline for the First Sunday in Advent to put into effect the overall plan. At a meeting in Crosskeys Centre representatives from Castlerahan Denn and Crosserlough met to discuss the situation as they saw it, the meeting took place on 2/12/2024. So there were concerns about how the issue was to be sorted out. Part of the difficulty was the fact that there are three priests serving eight churches. So the discussion went on, and Castlerahan had dropped a Saturday evening mass. Crosserlough retains it's 10 am. Drumkilly & Kilnaleck will alternate every other weekend on Saturday evening at 6.30 pm. So these changes will take place on the First weekend in January. **Please see table below with new Mass Schedule from January 2025**

Church	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Saturday	Sunday
Crosserlough				7.30 pm			10.00 am
Drumkilly			10.00 am			6.30 pm Alternate Saturdays	
Kilnaleck		10.00 am				6.30 pm Alternate Saturdays	