

## Our Parish Newsletter

**5th January 2025 - 2nd Sunday after Christmas**

**6th January - The Epiphany of the Lord**

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### Mass Times :

St. Mary's - Sunday 10 am; **Monday 6th The Epiphany of the Lord - Mass at 10.00 am**; Thursday 9th 7.30 pm  
 St. Joseph's - Wednesday 8th - 10 am; **Saturday 11th - 6.30 pm**  
 St. Patrick's - **Saturday 4th - 6.30 pm**; Tuesday 7th - 10 am

### We Pray For The Deceased:

**Julie Reaney (nee Maguire) Birmingham & late of Latnadrona who died recently**

#### St. Joseph's:

Wednesday 8th 10.00 am Kevin, Anna, John, & Una Galligan Aughawee  
 Saturday 11th 6.30 pm Andy McGivney, Crenew  
 Saturday 25th 6.30 pm Charlie Keaney, Derrin 2nd AM

#### St. Patrick's:

Saturday 18th 6.30 pm Peggy McInerney, 4th AM also Eithne  
 Saturday 1st Feb 6.30 pm Adrian Donohoe, Kill 12th AM

#### St. Mary's:

Friday 3rd 7.30 pm Kieran Walsh, Finaway 10 AM  
 Sunday 5th 10.00 am For the People of the Parish  
 Thursday 9th 7.30 pm Benny McEvoy, Finaway  
 Sunday 12th 10.00 am Tom Michael McGovern, Drumcassidy 1st AM  
 Thursday 16th 7.30 pm Cecelia & Hugh Reilly, Mullycastle & Decd.

**Eucharistic Adoration Resumes in Drumkilly & Crosserlough from the 2nd week in January**

**We Wish all our Parishioners every  
 Blessing in 2025**

### 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**

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. These changes will take place on the First weekend in January.

1. **There will be no funerals on Sunday's**
2. **All Baptism's will be in the parish church on the First Sunday in the Month at 1 pm.**
3. **Anniversary Masses will be shared - given preference to the recently deceased, Months Memory Masses, 1st Anniversary Mass and so on.**

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<br>Alternate Saturdays starting on Saturday 11th |          |
| Kilnaleck    |     | 10.00 am |          |         |     | 6.30 pm<br>Alternate Saturdays starting on Saturday 4th  |          |

### O Holy Night

O holy night the stars are brightly shining  
 It is the night of our dear Savior's birth  
 Long lay the world in sin and error pining  
 Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth  
 A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices  
 For yonder breaks, a new and glorious morn

Fall on your knees  
 O hear the angel voices  
 O night divine,  
 O night when Christ was born  
 O night divine, O night, O night  
 divine.

