

# Our Parish Newsletter 9th February 2025 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Brid McEvoy, Parish Secretary,**  
**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; Thursday 7.30 pm  
St. Joseph's - Wednesday 12th - 10 am; **Saturday 22nd 6.30 pm**  
St. Patrick's - **Saturday 15th Feb - 6.30 pm**; Tuesday 11th - 10 am

## We Pray For The Deceased:

### St. Joseph's:

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| Saturday 8th  | 6.30 pm | Gerard Cahill, Polleragh, Months Memory Mass   |
| Saturday 8th  | 6.30 pm | Patsy Lynch, Drumbraath, 5 AM                  |
| Saturday 22nd | 6.30 pm | Mattie Galligan, Drumkilly, Months Memory Mass |
| Saturday 22nd | 6.30 pm | Kathleen (6AM) & Peter Smith, Aughaconey       |

### St. Patrick's:

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| Saturday 15th | 6.30 pm | Evelyn Leddy, Kill 1st AM |
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### St. Mary's:

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| Thursday 13th | 7.30 pm  | Bernard, Ellen James & Mary Ann McEvoy, Rassin |
| Sunday 16th   | 10.00 am | Tommie Smith, Clare 1st AM                     |

## Volunteers February 2025

**St. Joseph's Readers:** Cahill & Galligan Families

**St. Patrick's Reader:** Mella Brady

**St. Mary's Readers:** Colleen McCabe

**St. Joseph's Eucharistic Ministers:** Tomás Harten, Peter Galligan

**St. Patrick's Eucharistic Minister:** Patricia Rennix

**St. Mary's Eucharistic Ministers:** Elaine Brady, Ruth McGuire

**St. Joseph's Altar Society:** Claire Markey, Mary Comiskey

**St. Mary's Altar Society:** Anne Smith, Kathleen O'Rourke, Mary Callery

**St. Joseph's Collectors:** Breen Smith, Bryan Gaffney

**Drumkilly N.S. will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2025.**

**Drumkilly N.S. is thinking of compiling a book for our 50th Anniversary and would appreciate it if anyone in the community would have photographs, articles or other items about the school to loan to the Board of Management to include/show/display for this special occasion which we plan to celebrate in June 2025. All items will be returned in the same condition as we receive them.**

**Please contact Tina @ 049 4336517 or email [office@drumkillyns.ie](mailto:office@drumkillyns.ie)**

**Pastoral Council Meeting:** in Kilnaleck Church on Friday 14th February at 8.30pm. Full attendance please.

**Kilnaleck Social Services:** Fortnightly functions have now resumed— Further dates— Feb 19th, Mar 5th, Mar 19th, Apr 2nd, Apr 16th, Apr 30th.

**Mass Stipend:** The Celebrant can take a stipend for one mass only. If he says more than one Mass on a given day the 2nd or 3rd Mass stipend has to be sent to the Bishop which he distributes to the poor. So please sign your name on the envelope, the person for whom the Mass is offered and the stipend (amount)

## The Rosary an all enduring Prayer

The Rosary became a popular part of the Catholic faith (1200 AD). In a world where the printing press had not been invented and people were unable to read or write, the Rosary became widespread because it was so accessible and it could be said in all social occasions and religions and by all sorts of people who could not read in public. The focus of the Rosary was meditating on the principal movements of Jesus life. A common way of praying the Rosary is to start with the crucifix and contemplate the creed then our Father, a hail Mary on the three small beads and follow the pattern right through. The undercurrent of saying the Rosary, is that the mind is relaxed. The anxiety we had is dissolved. In a way the Rosary is a form of therapy, as you are aware of the fact of trying to fall a sleep you start the Rosary you fall asleep and next morning you cannot remember which decade you fell asleep. One of the interesting facts about the Rosary is that it lasted for 1000 years with undergoing some change. There may have been people who thought that there should have been alternative mysteries. But some years ago John Paul the 2nd. introduced new areas of contemplation to expand the number of topics that people could contemplate.

## The Clouds Veil

1. Even though the rain hides the stars, Even though the mist swirls the hills, Even when the dark clouds veil the sky, You are by my side.

2. Even when the sun shall fall in sleep, Even when at dawn the sky shall weep. Even in the night when storms shall rise, You are by my side, You are by my side.

## Recessional Hymn How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hands hath made. I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

### Chorus

Then sings my soul, my saviour God to thee. How great thou art. How great thou art! Then sing my soul my saviour God to thee: How great thou art!