

**Our Parish Newsletter**  
**4th May – 3rd Sunday of Easter**  
***First Holy Communion in St. Mary's***

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Thursday 2.30 - 5.30 pm - 0861553930  
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Mass Broadcast - 108FM

**Mass Times :**

St. Mary's - Every Sunday 10 am; Every Thursday 7.30 pm  
St. Joseph's – Every Wednesday 10 am; Saturday 17th May 6.30 pm  
St. Patrick's - Every Tuesday - 10 am; Saturday 10th May 6.30 pm

**We Pray For The Deceased:**

**St. Joseph's:**

Saturday 3rd	6.30 pm	TP Galligan (Thomas Patrick), Crenew MMM
Saturday 3rd	6.30 pm	Patricia (2AM) & Patrick Shalvey, Kilnaleck & NY
Saturday 3rd	6.30 pm	Bartley, Margaret & Peter Galligan & Molly Dolan
Wednesday 7th	10.00 am	Rose & Pat Cronin, Carrickabawn & Margaret Cronin
Wednesday 14th	10.00 am	Janey & Alice Galligan & Decd. Galligan & Comiskey Families, Drumackinoe
Saturday 17th	6.30 pm	Maggie, Charles & Decd of Callery Family Aughawee

**St. Patrick's:**

Saturday 10th Sean Smith, Drumbee 2nd AM

**St. Mary's:**

Sunday 4th	10.00 am	David Connolly, Kilnacrott 5 AM
Sunday 4th	10.00 am	John Sorohan, Drumeagle 2 AM
Thursday 8th	7.30 pm	Rose Lawless, Drumbarry 6AM
Sunday 11th	10.00 am	Philip Farrelly, Aughaterera 8th AM

**Volunteers May 2025**

St. Joseph's Readers: Galligan Family, Rosemary Walsh

St. Patrick's Reader:

St. Mary's Readers: Aine Donnelly, Charlie Galligan

St. Joseph's Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Galligan, Donal Cahill

St. Patrick's Eucharistic Minister:

St. Mary's Eucharistic Ministers: Peggy Lynch, Catherine Ames

St. Joseph's Altar Society: Rosaleen Smith, Kathleen O'Reilly

St. Joseph's Collectors: Teresa Morgan, Tom Sullivan

**Blessing of the Graves 2025**



St. Joseph's Church - Saturday 2nd August at 6 pm  
St. Mary's Church - Sunday 3rd August at 11 am  
St. Patrick's Kill Graveyard- Sunday 10th - August

**Drumkilly Church Car Park:** At a recent meeting of Drumkilly Church Committee, it was decided to change the entrance to the church car park to the centre entrance, where it was originally. This change takes place from June 1st 2025. Thank you all for your co-operation.

- ♦ `Plans are also being put in place to paint Drumkilly Church (inside & outside). If you are interested in tendering for this work please contact Pat O'Dowd on—087 7670501

**RNLI Water Safety Talk:** In Kilnaleck Hall Saturday 10th May at 11 am. Open to all in the community. Plz come along to this very informative talk on water safety

**Crosskeys Vintage Club:** Tractor Run this Sunday 4th May at 12.30 pm. Kids run at 1.30 pm. Thrashing at 2 pm. All welcome.

**Crosserlough ICA:** Monthly meeting Tuesday May 6th. at 7.30 in Old School. New members always welcome

- ♦ The Season for **First Communion and Confirmation** is upon us once again. As this is the first religious experience that the children will have, please remember not to spoil the occasion by taking liberties with camera phones or video technology. I'm sure you will have a chance to do so after the ceremonies with the parents permission of course!!!

**Confirmation 23rd May:** - Special Collection going to upkeep of Youth Officer

- ♦ The "Fluthering Bird" is the name that Jesus gave to Peter. He referred to Peter as Son of Jonah, his father was Jonah and that made Simon bar Jonah. Jonah was in their language a "Fluthering Bird" that reacts to every threat. So Jesus says to Peter 'up until now you have been like a - Fluthering Timorous Dove, but if you take me as Master and if you give your life to me, I will make you a Rock'. It is hard for us to comprehend the feeling that Peter must have had after Jesus told him to get behind me Satan. Peter having been affirmed by Jesus early in the Gospel now had to deal with Jesus reprimand. On arriving at the garden where Jesus agony would take place, Jesus said to the disciple to watch and pray. What does Peter do, he cuts off the ear of the servant of Malchus the general. In spite of these incidents Jesus chooses Peter to be the head of the group which would spread across Europe.

**A Rosary Rally** will take place at St. Patrick's Church Kilnaleck Saturday 10th May at 4 pm One of over 570 such public Rosary Rallies taking place simultaneously to pray for our Country. All welcome to join in prayer.

**CHY3 Certs:** All parishioners who received these certs in their acknowledgement packs, in the last couple of weeks, please complete all details and return cert to the churches either to parochial parish office, or along with weekly collection via the basket at weekend masses.

**Trócaire:** Don't forget to feed your Trócaire Box so that Trócaire can feed the Starving. Please continue to bring in your donations.