

The Faith Communities of:









Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - Pentecost Sunday - 8th June 2025

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MASS TIMES

MOONE TUESDAY 10AM - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

MASS TIMES IN NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

ST JOSEPH'S BALLYMOUNT: Sunday 8:30am

Ss Mary & Lawrence Crookstown:

Saturday 7pm (Vigil)

Wednesday & Friday: 9.30am

ST ITA'S KILMEAD: Sunday 10.30am Mass is celebrated most weekdays at 10am but is subject to change

MOONE TUESDAY 10AM - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Most Blessed Trinity Moone: Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

Holy Hour Crookstown

Holy Hour takes place every Tuesday evening in Ss. Mary and Laurence Church Crookstown from 7pm-8pm. All are welcome.

DARE TO HOPE: On Saturday, June 14, the Irish Bishops' Conference, in collaboration with Knock Shrine, will host Dare to Hope - a dynamic and prayerful gathering for young adults aged 18 to 30. The event will take place in the Youth Village at the International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine in Knock. A €20 attendance charge will enable participants to hear guest speakers, to attend workshops and related events. Dare to Hope will conclude with the celebration of Mass in the Basilica of Our Lady, with Bishop Fintan Gavin of Cork and Ross as the chief celebrant. For more information, visit https:// www.catholicbishops.ie/.

Bayside Alpha are hosting on Zoom a **Summer School on the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary** for 6 Sundays, starting on Sunday the 22nd of June at 7:30pm. The series is a mixture of video and discussion. To join please email Paul: alphabayside@gmail.com

Exam Intention book

Exam Intention book are placed in the parishes of Narraghmore & Moone.

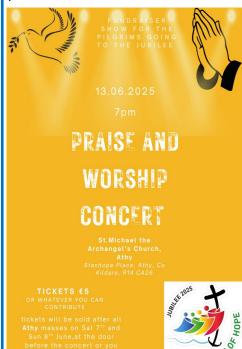
Prayer cards available to take with you for those doing state and University Exams.

Intentions will be prayed for at all masses.

INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

BALLYMOUNT 8:30AM Annie (Nan) Ward—Birthday Remembrance Rita Nolan - Blackrath

Fundraiser Praise and Worship Concert, for young adults going to Youth Jubilee in Rome will take place on Friday 13th June at 7pm in St. Michael's Church, Athy R14 CA26. Tickets are €5 and will be on sale at the doors of St. Michael's Church at all Masses this weekend Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th June, or you can contact Kirsten on 085 7386083. look forward to seeing you there.



PILGRIM

PARISHES OF ATHY, NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

CEMETERY MASSES 2025



ST MICHAEL'S NEW CEMETERY MONDAY, JUNE 9TH AT 7:30PM

ST MICHAEL'S OLD CEMETERY WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH AT 7:30PM

CHURCHTOWN CEMETERY FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH AT 7:30PM

CROOKSTOWN CEMETERY SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH AT 7PM

BARROWHOUSE CEMETERY SUNDAY, JUNE 8TH AT 9AM

KILMEAD CEMETERY SUNDAY, JUNE 8TH AT 10:30AM

MOONE CEMETERY SUNDAY, JUNE 8TH AT 12NOON

KILBERRY CEMETERY THURSDAY, JUNE 12TH AT 7:30PM

> FONTSTOWN CEMETERY TO BE CONFIRMED

For if he were not expecting that those who had fallen would rise again, it would have been superfluous and foolish to pray for the dead. But if he was looking to the splendid reward that is laid up for those who fall asleep in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought. Therefore he made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin." 2 Macc. 12: 44-45

Moone Church

Has a Vacancy for

Cleaner

In Moone Church and Parish Hall on **Castledermot Community Employment**

19.5 Hours per week

To qualify for C.E. you must be:

Receiving a Department of Social Protection qualifying payment for over one year and be over 21 years of age.

Basic Rate €271.50

+ plus children/ adult dependent allowance

More details from: -The C.E. Supervisor Castledermot Community Employment Tel 059 9144888 or castledermotces@gmail.com

Pilgrimage to Fatima

Pilgrimage to Fatima - an escorted group pilgrimage with excursion to Eucharistic miracle of Santarém. The pilgrimage is 4nights, flying from Dublin from the 10th -14th of September 2024, cost is €799pps. Single room supplement €200. For further information please contact Lily O'Mara on 0863190742.

Prayer for Pentecost

Lord, Your Spirit is with us. Holy Spirit, fill our homes, and set our hearts on fire with the warmth of your love. Inspire us to new beginnings. Help us as part of your universal church to reach out to others with the good news of Christ, to bring hope to those in distress. Amen.

CATECHETICAL CORNER - KINDNESS

There is an old saying that goes: "If you can be anything in this world...be kind" But what does it mean to be kind? First, kindness is an attribute of God. His kindness calls forth our repentance (Rom 2:3-4). In addition, kindness is a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:22). This means that kindness should characterise our lives in Christ. Any failures or shortcomings in this area are not of God and must be cast aside. St. Paul exhorts us to focus on what is excellent, true, pure, and honourable (Phil 4:8). In chapter 13 of his First Letter to the Corinthians, he goes to great lengths in explaining a "more excellent way" (1 Cor 12:31), the way of charity. In verses 1-3, he sets the stage by emphasizing the absolute necessity of charity, or love. Then, in verses 4-7, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, he defines charity. He begins: "Love is patient and kind...." The "more excellent way" that we are to focus on is fundamentally patient and kind.

Kindness is nothing other than loving our neighbours as ourselves — putting others in our place. "This world" has no use for such nonsense. After all, "nice guys finish last." But if we allow Christ, who judges hearts, not appearances (cf. Is 11:3) to transform our perspective, we are able to escape our small, selfish worldviews. He allows us to see and reverence ...the God-given dignity of our neighbour. The "will of God" is to draw all people to Himself (cf. 1 Tm 2:4; 2 Pt 3:9). If that's so, we truly need to be instruments of God's unrelenting kindness. The characteristics of kindness: The kind person is obliging - anticipating others' needs. They are also courteous, in that the respect they have for the other person is manifested in their conduct — everything from a polite greeting or acknowledgment of another's good deed to being punctual and thoughtful. Kindness also breeds cheerfulness or affability. The kind person is also forgiving, patient, courageous (able to cope peaceably with difficulties and offer them as sacrifices), and agreeable, among other things. Kindness is a distinctive characteristic of all holy men and women, and is surely a welcome "sign of contradiction" in today's world. Kindness is a virtue which "lifts the spirits" and "touches the hearts" of the people we encounter in our lives. When amplified by grace ... it is a manifestation of the fruit of the Holy Spirit. Kindness involves acts of kindness, and these acts of kindness can increase by way of practice, prayer and sacramental life. The goal, then, is to become proficient in producing these all-important acts of kindness in cooperation with the Holy Spirit. Kindness can also entail speaking often unwelcome truth. It can be a kindness to say no. It can also be a kindness to correct, with love and respect. And it is definitely a kindness, both to yourself and the other person, to be no ones' doormat. (Adapted from: "The Holy Spirit & the Hidden Power of Kindness" by Thomas L. Mulcahy & "The Power of Kindness" by Leon J. Suprenant, Jr)