

PARISHES OF NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

The Faith Communities of:



Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone.

Bulletin - 1st Sunday in Lent - March 9th/10th 2019

MASS INTENTIONS SUNDAY

BALLYMOUNT -

CROOKSTOWN - Nina Harney (1st A), Patrick Brennan (1st A), Michael Mooney (A), James Leigh - Kingsland (A), Margaret (Madge) Delaney - Simonstown (2nd A), Edward (Ned) Behan - Calverstown (A), John Wright - Ballytore. Recently Deceased - Tommy O'Mara

KILMEAD - Thomas, Anne & Mary Byrne (A), Fr. Jim Torney

MOONE - John Clynych - Bolton Hill (A), Margaret (Madge) Delaney - Simonstown (2nd A), Elizabeth (Babs) Byrne (2nd A), Seán Bolger (A)

WEEKDAY

CROOKSTOWN: Wed & Fri 9.30am - Donor's Intentions



Question: What are the three pillars of Lent?

LÁ FHÉILE PÁDRAIG.

To celebrate our culture, there will be 10 minutes of traditional Irish music before Mass on St. Patrick's Day in St Ita's church in Kilmead. If you know of people who play fiddle/ flute/ concertina etc contact Joan on 087-6976810. Also the choir would love to see new members especially for Lá Fhéile Pádraig.

IDEAS FOR LENT

GIVE UP:

Sweets, Caffeine, Fast Food, The Snooze Button, Make Up, Social Media, Complaining, Gossiping, Cursing,

TAKE UP:

Volunteering, Visiting People, Give to Charity, Give Compliments, Give to the

Trocaire Box, Look out for the lonely (*people whom others - including you - think are a bit strange*) at work, college or school and befriend them, Take action on caring for the environment.

PRAY:

Pray for someone by name everyday, Light a candle, Pray the Rosary, Meditate, Read scripture, Go on a pilgrimage, Give thanks to God for 5 different things everyday.

DAFFODIL DAY COLLECTION



Please Support Daffodil Day Collection at Crookstown Service Station on Friday March 22nd Details from Patricia Doyle Phone 086-8175992

COME ON A JOURNEY TO EASTER THROUGH LENT.

Join us as we take time out to pray, reflect and prepare to celebrate the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus this Easter.

Beginning on Wednesday March 10th in Church of the Most Holy Trinity in Moone at 7:30pm and moving around the churches in the parishes including Athy & Castledermot, concluding in Crookstown on April 10th. Each session will last approx 35 - 40 mins. Everyone is welcome

LENTEN CHALLENGE:

Are you up for a bit of a Lenten Challenge? The challenge works very simply. Each there will be a prayer and

and activity challenge which should you choose to accept the challenge you have to try to complete during the week. So here goes, your mission should you choose to accept is to spend between 5 & 10 minutes each day reading the Gospel of the day each day, these can be found on Catholic Ireland.net/Mass Readings. The activity challenge is to visit a sick person, either in their home or in hospital, and just spend a few minutes with them one day during the week.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS & GDPR

Many parish volunteers have already returned the GDPR forms, thank you to those who have. To all those who have we have now posted a letter and form in relation to Garda Vetting. The enclosed letter explains all that is required re: Garda Vetting but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Fr Liam in the first instance or Conor the Parish Pastoral Worker.

If you have not received a GDPR form please contact either Conor. Many thanks for your cooperation.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE NARRAGHMORE GROUP WATER SCHEME.

Dear Members,

Please be advised work will commence from the 11th of March 2019 to the 31st of March 2019 in order to carry out important upgrade works to the entire Water Network.

Be it in the Home, Farm, Restaurant, Pub or any other vested interest it is important that you prepare in advance in order to have a reserve of water for the essentials. Water will be shut off on a daily basis and restored every evening.

The Areas involved on the 4" Line are Ballindrum, Burtown, Glassealy, Ballinabarna, Lynam's Gardens, Old Grange, Hill Farm, Rathallagh, Kilrush, Greatrath, Nagussaun, Battlemount, Pin Hill, Crandon and Mullamast.

The Areas involved on the 6" Line are Long Avenue, Killeen Road, Wood Road, Kildare Road, Castle Farm, Hill Farm, Narraghmore, Crookstown Lower, Boleybeg and Lipstown.

The Board extend their sincere apologies for any inconvenience the work may cause, but would like to reassure you, their commitment to providing a Quality Water Supply.

Yours Sincerely

The Board Narraghmore Group Water Supply

Enquires to the Manager Narraghmore Group Water Supply 083-8790009

LENTEN JOY CHALLENGE

40 activities to do as a family during Lent.

There is a good mix of things to do as a family and individual activities. Take one home and tick them off as you complete each challenge. Available at the back of the Church.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Classic Vintage Car Run will take place on Sunday April 14th - Palm Sunday - starting at 1pm in Moone, and finishing with an auction in Shakelton Restaurant (*Crookstown Inn*) in aid of Parish Activities.

The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, to celebrate 140 years since the apparition will take place on Saturday April 27th. The pilgrimage will be led by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin.

HEALTHY BODY - HEALTHY MIND

Are you looking to take the first steps to a fitter, healthier you? Ever thought it would be great to have a personal trainer if only you could afford it? Well now you can. Every Wednesday morning from 10:30 – 11:30 in the Moone Parish Hall there is a Physiotherapist led exercise class for all ages and abilities. No need to book, simply come along and take those first steps to a fitter healthier you.

K LEISURE - ATHY

AQUA AEROBICS FOR THOSE WITH ARTHRITIS.

A six week class for people with arthritis starts in K Leisure Athy on Friday 15th February at 12 noon. Cost €5 per session. No booking necessary.

CROOKSTOWN/BALLYMOUNT MONTHLY PARISH LOTTO - FEBRUARY RESULTS: Numbers 12-23-25.

€20 winners:

John Maher c/o M. Doyle
Majella Sweeney c/o M. Doyle
Martin Heydon c/o M. Doyle
John Dowling c/o Nancy Dowling
P.J. Finnegan c/o Nancy Dowling

MASS & CHURCH SERVICE TIMES:

BALLYMOUNT:

Sunday 8.30am

CROOKSTOWN:

Saturday 7pm (Vigil)

Wednesday & Friday: 9.30am

Tuesday & Thursday: 9.30am - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

Tues. 7-8pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

KILMEAD:

Sunday 10.30am

Thursday 9.30am - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

Prayer Meeting - Wednesday 7.30pm

MOONE:

Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

Tuesday & Friday 10am - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

THE PARISH TEAM:

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PARISH SECRETARIES

BER MURPHY & TRISH HOLLIGAN - .
Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 10am - 4pm.

S.s. Mary & Laurence Church,
Crookstown, TEL: 059 8623154. *Email:*
stlaurenceschurch@gmail.com

BAPTISM

Archbishop Martin has asked that all parishes in Dublin Diocese focus on Baptism during Lent, so over the next few weeks we will take a look at what Baptism means.

So to start off, ask yourself this question: 'What does being baptised mean to me?'

When we think of or talk about our baptism it is usually in the past tense: 'I was baptised on...'. Rarely, if ever do we talk of Baptism in the present tense; 'I am baptised'. Like all the sacraments,

Baptism is dynamic, although the physical act of being baptised happened and can happen only once for our

baptism to meaningful it has to impact our daily lives. So when we think about the question 'What does being baptised mean to me?' What we are really asking is: 'Does being baptised impact the way

I live my life everyday?' Baptism is about giving life, not just for eternity but as Jesus said 'I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full.'

Over the next few days try to spend sometime reflecting and praying about your baptism and thanking God for the great gift that it is to you and to the faith community.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...

Nobody warns, 'So may shopping days to Easter!'

No costly gifts, no money loss.

Easter seems too easy.

It is...

...if you forget the cross.

ANSWER: Did you know that Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving are referred to as the Three Pillars of Lent? They are the three pillars on which stand a successful and 'happy' Lent. Although Lent does have a penitential or sacrificial character to it, it is perhaps better understood as an opportunity to redress the balance in favour of God.

The Church offers to us this wonderful season each year, which coincides with the season of Spring, as an opportunity to renew, refocus and rejuvenate our relationship with God as lived out in relation to those around us. This we do through Prayer, Fasting - *denying our self something to unite it with the sufferings of Jesus* - and almsgiving, being considerate of those who don't have enough. Happy Lent.