

# PARISHES OF NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

*The Faith Communities of:*



*Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone.*

Bulletin - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent - March 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> 2019

## MASS INTENTIONS SUNDAY

### BALLYMOUNT -

**CROOKSTOWN** - Patsy Keogh – Lipstown  
Frank Keogh - Grangecon John Kelly – Herts,  
England William Nolan (A) James O’Mara (A)  
Murthy Donoghue – Portersize (A) Bernie  
Nolan (2nd A) Carmen & Mike Kelly (A)  
Patsy Dunne – late of Killeen, Narraghmore  
(A) Bob O’Connor – Narraghmore (A)


**KILMEAD** - Billy Bell (A) Francis Doyle  
(A) Noelle O’Connor (13th A) Margaret  
Keegan (M.M.)

### MOONE -

## WEEKDAY

**CROOKSTOWN:** Wed & Fri 9.30am -  
Donor’s Intentions

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 **Question:** What are the  
three changes that take place  
in the mass during Lent?

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## PARISH CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

The Parish Safeguarding team has just completed the Parish Safeguarding Audit as mandated by the Diocesan Child Protection Service. We are currently in the process of making some updates to our procedures. Some of our Child protection representatives are stepping down after years of service and we extend our heart felt thanks to them for their commitment and dedication. Others are coming onboard and we welcome Liz Phelan who will be the new Child Protection Representative for Moone parish.

Our updated policy statement will be posted in all parish buildings, churches, pastoral centre, halls etc... over the coming weeks. If you have questions or concerns regarding the protection of Children and

vulnerable adults in our parish full details of the parish policy together with contact numbers for the relevant authorities are available on the home page of the parish website.

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## LENTEN CHALLENGE - WEEK 3:

The Lenten Challenge this week involves giving public witness: Your prayer challenge is to take a few moments to bless yourself and say (quietly) a grace before meals especially if you are eating out anywhere, this would also include having a coffee/tea in a café, or even just something quick

One of the Corporal Works of Mercy is to provide Drink to the Thirsty. This week your challenge is to become conscious of your water usage. Try not to waste water; turn off the tap as you are brushing your teeth, don’t over fill the kettle. Also consider making a donation to charity specifically for providing clean water.

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## CONTINUING OUR 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.

The next leg of our Lenten Journey sees us gathering in **ST ITA’S CHURCH KILMEAD**, next Wednesday at 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome so please come along and bring a friend...or two!

## FIRST PENANCE

Please pray for the girls and boys of our parish schools who will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance for the first time in the coming weeks. Another step on the lifelong journey of faith

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## REMINDER

To all parish volunteers, please return your GDPR consent form.

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## INFORMATION NIGHT FOR ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS ON

## SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

As part of our ongoing Safeguarding procedures the Parish Grouping of Athy, Narraghmore & Moone are offering a choice of three sessions for Parish Volunteers to attend an information night on Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. **It is a requirement that all parish volunteers attend one information session every three years,**

The options are:

THURSDAY APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup> SCOIL MICHIL NAOFA  
ATHY 7:30PM - 9PM

MONDAY APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> SCOIL NAOMH  
LORCAÍN CROOKSTOWN 7:30PM - 9PM

TUESDAY APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup> CLANARD COURT  
HOTEL ATHY. 7:30PM - 9PM.

For those parish volunteers who work directly with children (including: Sacristans, Altar Server leaders, etc...) there is a full day training in the CLANARD COURT ON SATURDAY APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup> FROM 9:30AM - 3:30PM. This is in place of the information evening, in other words you are not required to attend the information evening. **It is a requirement that this training be completed once every three years.** Letters have been sent to all volunteers.

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

Dear Members,

Please be advised work will commence from the 11<sup>th</sup> of March 2019 to the 31<sup>st</sup> 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, Lynams Gardens, Old Grange, Hill Farm, Rathsallagh, 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

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#### THE TANYARD TEAROOMS BALLYTORE.

We are open every Saturday from 11am to 3pm for tea, coffee, cakes, scones etc... come and join us for a friendly cuppa and a tasty treat.

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#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

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

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#### 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.

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#### 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

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#### 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.

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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](mailto:stlaurenceschurch@gmail.com)

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#### “LIFE IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT...”

In 1986 the pop group Talk, Talk released a song called ‘Life is what you make it.’ Continuing our reflections on Baptism, as requested by Archbishop Martin, this song could be applied to Baptism also.

One of the key effects of Baptism is the cleansing from sin. The Church teaches that human kind is born with a potential and indeed a propensity for sin. We are marked with the effects of the sin of fore bearers what we call original sin. In Baptism we are washed clean of this sin and are given, as it were, a clean slate to start over with God.

This is why, that after a person has been baptised they would put on a white garment, or Baptismal Shawl. The white garment symbolising new life and new beginnings. *“I am telling you the truth, no one can see the Kingdom of God unless they are born again.” Jn.3:3.*

In Baptism we go into the ‘womb’ of the tomb with Jesus and are reborn again with new life. *“No-one can enter the Kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the spirit.” Jn.3:5*

But to go back to our song: Life/Baptism is what you make it. Imagine being given the gift of a life changing sum of money by a relative, they want you make the most of it, to improve your life and the life of others and what you do is use it pay for your groceries. Baptism is a great gift, with unlimited potential but we have to use it, and while we cannot lose it, as it leaves a permanent ‘mark’ on our soul it can remain un-fulfilled in it’s potential - Baptism is what you make it.

**ANSWER:** Did you know that there are three liturgical changes at mass during Lent. The obvious one is the colour of the priest’s vestments. The priest now wears purple. The other changes you might not notice so easily: The Gloria is not said during Lent and the Gospel Acclamation changes from Alleluia to either: Praise and Honour to you Lord Jesus Christ, or Glory to You O Christ, King of Eternal Glory. ‘Alleluia’ will not be said/sung again during mass until Holy Saturday and the Gloria will not be said/sung again until Holy Thursday at the mass of the Lord’s Supper.