

# PARISHES OF NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

*The Faith Communities of:*



*Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone*

**Bulletin - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent - February 29<sup>th</sup>/March 1<sup>st</sup> 2020**

## MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

**BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM** - James Ryan - Ballymount (A), Paul Keatley and deceased members of Keatley family

**CROOKSTOWN 7PM** - John Leigh – Ballymount, Pat Walsh (2<sup>nd</sup> A), Tommy O'Mara - Ballitore (1<sup>st</sup> A), James O'Mara, Eddie Wright (1<sup>st</sup> A), Eddie O'Shea (A), Michael (Mick) Lawler (M.M.), Mamie O'Connor -Blackhall (A), Nina Harney & Patrick Brennan (2<sup>nd</sup> A), Pat Harney & Eddie Lawlor (1<sup>st</sup> A), Peter Kelly, Patrick Doyle.

**KILMEAD 10.30AM** -

**MOONE 12 noon** - Elizabeth Kane (A), John Joe Mahon (A)

## WEEKDAY

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

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## POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR MARCH

### CATHOLICS IN CHINA

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity  
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Lent lasts for 40 days. Why?

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## CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Sticking with the gardening theme and 'Positive Action'; with spring in the air why not consider growing your own. Either in your garden or just in a pot. Nothing beats home grown produce. Take this opportunity to do something positive and have fun with the family in the process.



**THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
Of the parishes of Narraghmore & Moone,

serves the faith communities of Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone. The current council is coming to the end of its term of service and we are looking for new members to serve our parishes.

Do you have a strong sense of community? Are you a person of faith? Then you might be just the right fit for the Pastoral Council.

If you would like to serve your community - for a fixed term, or if you know someone who would, please contact any of the priests, any member of the council or Conor for further information with no obligation.

## EXPOSITION/ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Due the Sacrament of Confirmation being celebrated in Crookstown, there will **NOT** be Adoration/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this coming Friday. It will resume on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> after 9.30am am mass.

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This coming week 74 young people from our parish schools will be confirmed in their faith when they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. It will be celebrated in Moone



on March 4<sup>th</sup>, in Kilmead on March 5<sup>th</sup> and in Crookstown on March 6<sup>th</sup>. We are delighted to be welcoming Bishop Eamonn Walsh, who is coming out of retirement, to administer the Sacrament. Please keep them all in your prayers. It can also be a good time to reflect on and to thank God for your own gift of faith and to renew your own faith commitment. It has been said that faith is a gift - which indeed it is, but it is also a virtue that needs to be nurtured, protected and practiced.

## LENTEN PRAYER NIGHTS

*A TIME OF QUIET, PRAYER & REFLECTION*  
Beginning at 7:30pm

**MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>**

*St Michael's Church, Athy*

**MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>**

*St Ita's Church, Kilmead*

**MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>**

*Church of Ss Mary & Laurence, Crookstown*

**MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup>**

*Church of the Assumption, Castledermot*

**APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>**

*Church of The Most Blessed Trinity, Moone*

*(Refreshments in Moone Parish Hall afterwards)*

## 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MOONE ROAD RUN

which takes place on Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup> - Easter Sunday - from Moone Church. Classes for Tractors, cars trucks and motorcycles.

Gather from 11am onwards.



**LOCAL NEWS FROM MOONE & TIMOLIN**

**SOUTH KILDARE VILLAGES HISTORY GROUP**

The March Meeting of South Kildare History & Heritage Group in The Tanyard, Ballitore will be on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>. March at 7.30 for 8 o'clock

Come early and enjoy the Tea, Coffee and the pre-meeting Chat. This month Andy Scully will recount the days when the Kelly Clan ruled South Kildare, where most of the Members now live. And there are a lot of Kelly's still around.

The meeting will start promptly at 8.00. Old and New Members Welcome. You can join on the night

*(Thanks to Sean Cleary for the local news)*

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**ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE**

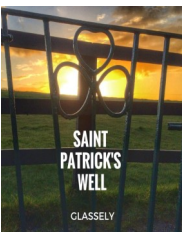
**AT ST PATRICK'S WELL GLASSELY**

**ST PATRICK'S DAY 3PM**

**ST. PATRICK'S WELL - GLASSELY**

Tradition has it that on his

way to Tara, St Patrick camped at the foot of Mullaghmast. The story goes that some of the chieftains in the area were converted to Christianity and asked St. Patrick to bless the nearest well as was the custom at the time – this being the Glassely well.



Every year on Saint Patrick's Day, an Ecumenical Service is held on the site of the well.

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**ST. PATRICK'S WELL GLASSELY**

**FUNDRAISER 2020**

Please have a look out for our fundraising Raffle cards located in Mel's Narraghmore and St. Laurence's GAA Bar.

Each line can be bought for just €2

You can also buy a €2 line from any St. Patrick's Well Glassely Committee Member who each have their own card.

The St. Patrick's Well RAFFLE will be held at 8pm St. Patrick's Day in Mel's Narraghmore.

Hot food, Music and lots of great prizes on the night.

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**ONLINE LENTEN RETREAT**

You can still register for the Lenten online retreat from the Priory Institute in Tallaght.

It is free of charge and open to everyone

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**TRÓCAIRE BOX**

Please collect a Trócaire Box when leaving the Church, and support it with any loose change during Lent.



**ST. ITA'S CHURCH KILMEAD** will be hosting a Fun Table Quiz & Social Night on **FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH** in St. Laurence's Complex at 9pm. **Table of 4 €40.**

Hot food and sandwiches on the night. All are welcome to a night that promises to be lots of fun!!!

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**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** Takes place on March 6<sup>th</sup> 2020. To mark this there will be a prayer service in:

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SAVIOUR - NARRAGHMORE**

**At 8pm.**

*Refreshments served afterwards*

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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.

Holy Hour - Wednesday 7.00pm

**MOONE:**

Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

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

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**PARISH SECRETARIES**

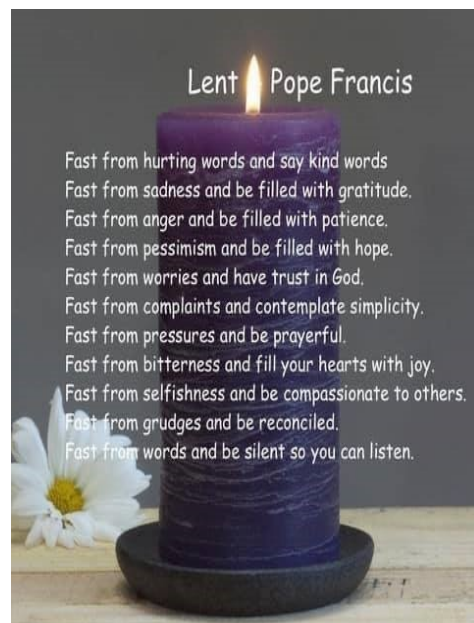
BER MURPHY & TRISH HOLLIGAN - .

Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 10am - 4pm.

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**40 DAYS**

The period of forty days has deep significance and symbolism in the Bible.

First of all, God covered the earth in water for Forty days, thus returning the earth to it's original state, in other words, God created a clean slate from which humanity could start again. A time of purification and rebuilding.

The Israelites, following the exodus from Egypt wandered in the desert for forty years, again a time of cleansing and preparation for the 'Promised Land' to which God was leading them. And Jesus spent forty days in the desert, echoing the duration of the flood and the exodus. But what is also significant is that Jesus did this right after HIS baptism and just before HE began HIS public ministry. Jesus spent 40 days following HIS resurrection, encouraging and teaching HIS disciples.

So our 40 days is a chance to have a clean slate, to start again, if like Noah, we do what God asks us to do.