

# Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

## The Faith Communities of:



**Ballmount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone**

## Parish Bulletin - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter - April 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> 2021

### MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

**BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM** - No mass.

**CROOKSTOWN 7PM** - Anthony Lawler (A) his parents and his son Tony. Martina McDonnell (née Lavin) (A) **Recently Deceased:** Sr. Stanislas (Bridie) Doyle formerly of Portersize, internment in France. Sister of the late Paddy Doyle - Portersize

**KILMEAD 10.30AM** -

**MOONE 12 noon** - Mary Kavanagh - Hughestown (A) and deceased members of the Kavanagh family

### WEEKDAY

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

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#### POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

Pope Francis urges everyone to pray during April for this intention.

"Let us pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis, that they may see their sacrifice and their work bear abundant fruit."

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#### CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Become Plastic aware.

Buy loose fruit, leave some of the packaging with your supermarket who will see that it is properly recycled. Where you have the option buy things wrapped in cardboard/paper not plastic. Cut down as much as you can.

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**GREAT NEWS** - The Old Hardware in Narraghmore will reopen for Take Away & Essential Items on Wednesday April 28<sup>th</sup>.



Our last Parish Bulletin was March 8<sup>th</sup> 2020, just before our world turned upside down, but in this time of Easter Joy, this time of Hope and Peace, we are back. So much has changed in the intervening time. We have twice had to celebrate Easter behind closed doors. We have had to learn new ways of doing things and more importantly, new ways of being Church, but we are still here, still proclaiming the Good News of Jesus. We have just celebrated Easter, and what beautiful celebrations we had. Thanks to everyone involved: our Ministers of the Word, Music Ministry (Singers/Cantors/Musicians), our church care ministry, those who have decorated our churches so beautifully and filled them with the colours of Spring, our sacristans who have done great work this past year in adapting to our new reality.

But special mention must be made of our priests. They have kept us nourished, they have preached the message of hope, they have comforted and consoled the bereaved, they have administered the Sacraments in extremely difficult circumstances.

Praying the Mass to an empty church is not what they were ordained to do. They were ordained to gather the Body of Christ together, to be a focal point around which the Body gathers, to nourish and feed it. Perhaps in the coming days and weeks take a moment or two to offer a prayer for our priests, not just those in our parish, but all priests, and if you can perhaps say a word of thanks to them. They will of course deflect it, but they will also appreciate it. May GOD continue to bless us with good and faithful priests.

So much has changed over the past year.

### What's New

We have to learn new ways of doing things. In March of last year most of us knew nothing of

Zoom, or Teams, or Live Streaming. Things have changed in our churches and Diocese too.

- We now have webcams in 4 of our churches.
- Thanks to a very generous sponsor Kilmead has a sound mixing desk enabling 4 socially distanced singers, to sing in the Choir gallery.
- We have a new Archbishop - Dermot

Farrell, please keep him in your prayers.

- Pope Francis has instituted the Year of Saint Joseph and elevated Knock to an International Sanctuary of Special Eucharistic and Marian Devotion.
- We have all become familiar with Spiritual Communion.
- We have launched a new Website for our parishes. And much, much more.

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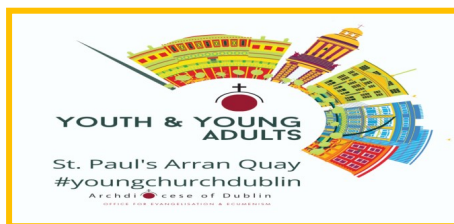
**HAVE A LOOK AT OUR NEW WEBSITE** if you haven't seen it already. It contains lots of useful information, and is the easiest way to join mass via our Webcams. On

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