

Parish Bulletin ~ 5th Sunday of Easter ~ May 1st/2nd 2021

Mass Intentions -Saturday & Sunday

BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM - No mass.

CROOKSTOWN 7PM - Kathleen Ann Leigh – Baronsland (Birthday Rem), Teresa Leigh (A) and her daughter Christine Leigh (A), Kathleen Fay (A), Paddy Foley – Back Moone (A), Mary & Aidan Cousins – Ballytore (A), Peg Deay – Spratstown (A), Jack Deay, his wife Nora and daughter Rose, Sister of Mercy – Sr. Winifred Deay. **Recently Deceased:** Barney Deay

KILMEAD 10.30AM - Brendan Ennis and recently deceased his wife Susan Ennis – uncle and aunt of Sinead Kelly - Youngstown

MOONE 12 noon - Marie Sayed - Back Moone (A), Nora Kelly (M.M.), William Kenny – Ballinacarrick (A) WEEKDAY

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

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR MAY Pope Francis urges everyone to pray during May for this intention. "Let us pray for Permanent Deacons. Deacons are not second-level priests. They are part of the clergy and live their vocation in and with their family. They are dedicated to the service of the poor, who carry within them the face of the suffering Christ. They are the guardians of service in the Church. Let us pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Crookstown Church on Tuesdays, 7 - 8 pm during May.



Children's Corner

CHILDREN'S CORNER is a new page on our parish website especially dedicated to our younger parishioners, namely those in Primary School. We are just beginning to add to it with lots of fun and interesting stuff for children to learn and do. This month, being the month dedicated to Mary, our focus is very much on Mary the Mother of God and our mother. Have a look at it and if you have suggestions, thoughts or comments, please give Conor a shout, he would love to hear from you.



Holy Rosary from Ss Mary & Laurence Church. During the month of

May the Rosary will be offered via Webcam & Parish Radio from Crookstown church

every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday mornings at 10am. Please join us in honouring and praying with Our Lady as we meditate on the life of Jesus.

THE PARISH OFFICE is contactable by phone or email for the booking of mass intentions for Anniversaries, Month's Mind etc. or for mass cards, religious goods or Certificates. Contact details overleaf or on the Parish Website: www.narraghmoreandmoone.ie



Beginning this week we have a new feature in the Parish Bulletin called **'Wisdom of the Saints'.** Each week we will feature a short saying from one of the Saints and a little bit about that saint.

"To reform. Every day a little. This has to be your constant task if you really want to become a saint." St. Josemaria Escriva.

Saint Josemaria Escriva was born in Barbastro, Spain, on January 9th, 1902. He was ordained to the priesthood in Zaragoza, Spain on March 28th, 1925. On October 2nd, 1928, by divine inspiration he founded Opus Dei. On June 26th, 1975 he died suddenly in Rome, after a final affectionate glance at a picture of Our Lady in the room where he worked. Pope St John Paul II canonized Josemaria in Rome on October 6th, 2002. His liturgical feast is celebrated on June 26th.

"Sanctity is not for a privileged few. The Lord calls all of us. He expects love from all of us—from everyone, wherever they are; from everyone, whatever their state in life, their profession or job. For the daily life we live, apparently so ordinary, can be a path to sanctity: it is not necessary to abandon one's place in the world in order to search for God…because all the paths of the earth can be the occasion for an encounter with Christ" (Letter 24-III-1930, no. 2).

ST JOSEMARIA ESCRIVA - PRAY FOR US.

Letter from Archbishop Farrell regarding First Holy Communion & Confirmation

Dear Father,

1 am aware that some parishes have been pressed to consider setting dates for the celebration of the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. I am writing to confirm that no dates should be proposed by parishes, even provisionally, for such celebrations.

We have yet to receive clarification about the circumstances under which a return to public worship will be permitted under public health guidelines. However, apart from such specific guidelines, we must be cognisant of the foreseeable risks of social gatherings which typically follow such celebrations.

Following clarification of the public health requirements, I will issue guidelines regarding when celebrations of the sacraments may be held. It is likely that it will be necessary to postpone until the autumn at least some celebrations which would otherwise take place over coming weeks.

In the meantime, I encourage you to continue to engage with and accompany families on the journey of preparation towards celebration of the sacraments, even as they may have to be delayed for a time.

With kind regards,

+ Dermot Farrell, Archbishop of Dublin.

A copy of this letter has been sent to all parishes and schools in the Archdiocese. We have also circulated a copy, through the schools, to all concerned parents.

FAITHFEST – POWERED BY THE SPIRIT.



Calling all teenagers! Join us for an evening

of games, music, workshop, chats and prayer. Faithfest will take place 21st May from 6:30 – 8:30 online. You can register online Registration closes on the 13th May at 5pm. For more information email: <u>st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie</u> ********

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Evening Prayer, 3-4pm each Sunday during May in Moone Church .

EASING OF COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS & RETURN TO MASS WITH A CONGREGATION

I don't think that the news brought by St Gabriel was greeted with as much joy as was the news that we can return to mass with a congregation on May10th. However, the following restrictions apply:

- A maximum of 50 persons are permitted to attend Mass, funerals and weddings. It is advised that no other religious ceremonies e.g. Communions and Confirmations should take place at this time.
- Social distancing rules apply.
- Face coverings must be worn.

Archbishop Farrell will issue guidance in relation to other Sacraments in due course.

We look forward to welcoming you back.

PENTECOST PREPARATION PROGRAMME

The parishes of Old Bawn and Bohernabreena will host a home based programme in preparation for the Feast of Pentecost. It follows the daily inspirational thoughts from LIVING WORDS (https://

www.jesuit.ie/news/inspiration-andguidance-for-faith-communities/)

A weekly video clip is also available through geraldine.massey@gmail.com. The programme leads to a rich awareness of the Holy Spirit in our lives. For more information 01 4510160 or 01 4141838.

******* MASS TIMES: **BALLYMOUNT:** No Mass at present **CROOKSTOWN:** Saturday 7pm (Vigil) Wednesday & Friday: 9.30am KILMEAD: Sunday 10.30am Mass is celebrated most weekdays at 10am but is subject to change or cancellation without notice. MOONE: Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am THE PARISH TEAM: FR LIAM RIGNEY PP - 087-2607377; *Email: liamrigney@eircom.net* FR TIM HANNON CC - 059-863 0704 FR FRANCIS MCCARTHY CC - 087-6978143 **CONOR MCCANN - Parish Pastoral** Worker - Narraghmore & Moone 086-7905654. Email: conor.mccann@dublindiocese.ie NATASHA GEOGHEGAN - Parish Pastoral Worker - Athy & Barrowhouse 087-6730300. Email: natashsa.curran@dublindiocese.ie PARISH SECRETARIES

BER MURPHY & TRISH HOLLIGAN - . Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 10am - 4pm. Ss. Mary & Laurence Church, Crookstown, TEL: 059 8623154. *Email: stlaurenceschurch@gmail.com* POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,



COVID-19

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Update

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace. mercy.

and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.