

Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

The Faith Communities of:



Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 12th/13th 2021

MASS INTENTIONS - SATURDAY

CROOKSTOWN: 7PM - Bridget Curran (M.M.), Mairéad Corrigan – (Birthday Rem)

MASS INTENTIONS - SUNDAY

BALLYMOUNT: 8.30AM - Bob Murphy - Calverstown (A)

CROOKSTOWN: 10:30AM - Batty & Kathleen Kelly – Narraghmore (A)

KILMEAD: 10.30AM - Eileen & Mattie Bell (A), Shirley Keogh.

MOONE: 12 noon - Eileen Mahon (20th A), Mick Byrne (M.M.), Michael Murphy – Church Avenue (A), Brendan Smullen (A)

WEEKDAY

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

MOONE: Thursday 9:30am.

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR JUNE

Pope Francis urges everyone to pray during June for **The Beauty of Marriage**

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

If you are thinking or praying about getting married and would like to learn about the Church's understanding of marriage and what differentiates it from civil marriage, then visit the Marriage page on the Sacraments section of our website.

HAVE YOU...

- Got your face covering? ✓
- Sanitised your hands? ✓
- Remembered Social Distancing? ✓



"A SAINT IS A SINNER WHO JUST KEEPS TRYING."

"We must never be discouraged or give way to anxiety...but ever have recourse to the adorable Heart of Jesus."
St Margaret Mary Alacoque.

Margaret Alacoque was born in 1647 in France as the only daughter of Claude and Philiberte Lamyn Alacoque. Margaret had always shown an intense love for the Blessed Sacrament and preferred silence over typical childhood play. She began practicing severe corporal mortification after her first communion at 9-years-old.

She continued this until rheumatic fever confined her to her bed for four years. After making a vow to the Blessed Virgin Mary to consecrate herself to religious life, Margaret instantly returned to perfect health. In recognition of this favor, Margaret added the name Mary to her baptismal name. One night, after attending a ball in an evening dress, Margaret had a vision of Christ, scourged and bloody. He accused Margaret of forgetting about him. He showed her that His heart was full of love for her because of the promise she made to His Blessed Mother as a child. After this vision, Margaret was determined to fulfill the vow she made years ago. She entered the Visitation Convent at Paray-le-Monial in May 1671 to become a nun. During her time in this monastery, Margaret received several private revelations of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. These visions showed her the "form of the devotion, the chief features being reception of Holy Communion on the first Friday of each month, Eucharistic adoration during a 'Holy hour' on Thursdays, and the celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart." The Lord Jesus requested His love be made evident through her.

In her vision, she was instructed to spend an hour every Thursday night meditating on Jesus' Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, a practice, known as "The Holy Hour," that later became widespread. In December 1673, Jesus appeared to Margaret Mary again, and allowed her to rest her head on His heart. His human heart was to be the symbol of His divine-human love. He revealed to her the wonders of His love. He explained to her that he wished to make these wonders known to all the world, and that He chose her for His work. Margaret Mary struggled with convincing others of the validity of her apparitions, even those in her own community. A group of theologians declared her visions delusions and suggested she eat better. Even parents of children she instructed began calling her an imposter. Margaret eventually gained the support from the community's confessor, St. Claude de la Colombiere, who declared her visions were genuine. Finally, all opposition from the community, regarding Margaret's visions, ended in 1683, Margaret Mary died at the age of 43, on October 17, 1690, while being anointed, she spoke the words, *"I need nothing but God, and to lose myself in the heart of Jesus."*

After her death, the devotion to the Sacred Heart was adopted by the Jesuits but remained controversial within the Church. The practice did not become officially recognized until 75 years later.

ST MARGARET MARY ALAOCQUE- PRAY FOR US.

ANNIVERSARIES OF ORDINATION

On Sunday June 6th Fr Liam celebrated 40 years as a priest. And on the Friday June 4th Fr Phillip Dennehy celebrated 66 years as a priest having been ordained in 1955.

Congratulations and thanks to both of them for their combined 106 years of service to the People of God. While the Eucharist is

the lifeblood of the Church, it might be said that our priests are the arteries through which it flows. Thank you Fr Liam and Fr Phillip. *AD MULTOS ANNOS.*

If you have anything that you would like included in the Parish Bulletin, please Contact Conor, details below.

COLLECTION FOR PRIESTS DECREASED BY 80%

This is a stark fact taken from a letter from Archbishop Farrell, addressed to all parishioners.

The letter has been written at the introduction of a new Summer Dues Collection to try and offset some of the financial damage that has been suffered by the church over the past 15 months.

Some time ago the Parish team took a decision not to ask parishioners for financial contributions as we are very conscious that many people have lost their jobs or have been placed on income support payments such as the PUP. But Archbishop Farrell has written to all parishioners asking for your support. The full letter from the Archbishop is available on our parish website but here is an extract.

“...certain aspects of Church life have been severely impacted. One of these is parish finances. The necessary restriction of public worship has profoundly affected the two essential Sunday Mass collections.... The first collection - as you know - supports clergy ministering throughout the diocese as well as sick and retired priests... The second collection—the 'Share' collection - supports diocesan services to parishes especially disadvantaged parishes. In the last financial year, the clergy collection decreased by 54% and the 'Share' collection decreased by 65%. **This year the situation is even more grave—with a decrease of 80% and 86% respectively for the first quarter (Jan to Mar 2021)** That this would have happened...is not surprising. I am grateful to all who have continued to give so generously in the past 15 months.. I have therefore approved the proposal to hold a new Summer Dues collection to support priests of the diocese. This initiative will follow the pattern of the Christmas and Easter dues collections giving parishioners an opportunity to contribute to the income that supports priests.

The Summer Offering collection will be launched on the weekend of the 20th June. In making this appeal, I ask you to remember that the greatest resource of the Church is its people—both laity and clergy.

PRAYER FOR EXAMINATION STUDENTS

Copies of the prayer are available in all churches and on our website, please take one and share it with the exam student in your life or even pray it for them. There is also an intention box in each church for offering mass intentions for exam students.

LOUGH DERG 2021

Lough Derg regrets that it will not be possible in 2021 to reopen Station Island for the Traditional Three Day Pilgrimage or even for the autumn programme of Day Retreats. Lough Derg will again offer the opportunity to “*Do Lough Derg from wherever you are*” on 3rd – 5th July. The outdoor Pilgrimage on the Lough Shore Pilgrim Path will also be available as the summer goes on. Further information from Lough Derg office 071 9861518 or www.loughderg.org.

FAMILIES WALKING TOGETHER IN HOPE

The ‘Walking Together in Hope’ initiative will be launched on 25th August 2021 at Saint Mary’s Pro-Cathedral. The Archdiocese of Dublin will provide some simple and achievable ideas for families and parishes starting in September 2021. We want to encourage families to take part in various initiatives to support faith lived in the home and celebrated together in our parishes. Our goal is to celebrate moments of hope and joy in family life, with resources suitable for learning, living and leading faith that are complementary to the

way family is lived today.

ST. LAURENCE'S GAA CLUB KILDARE DRAW 2021

Tickets for the 2021 St. Laurence's Club Kildare Draw are now on sale. Tickets €100 [€25 per draw]. Draws take place on: 30th July, 27th August, 24th September & 29th October 2021. St. Laurence's have had first prize winners in 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020. Let's try to bring home a first prize again this year... Main Contacts: Colm O'Toole: 087-6239665, Marie Fahey: 087-7658691

MASS TIMES IN NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

BALLYMOUNT:

Sunday 8:30am

CROOKSTOWN:

Saturday 7pm (Vigil)

Sunday 10:30am

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

Thursday 9:30am

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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. **PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MASS INTENTIONS MUST BE BOOKED THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE.** Please contact the parish secretary (Ber Murphy) to book mass intentions Contact details above or on the Parish Website: www.narraghmoreandmoone.ie

JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, fountain of eternal life, Your Heart is a glowing furnace of Love.

You are my refuge and my sanctuary. O my adorable and loving Saviour, consume my heart with the burning fire with which Yours is aflamed. Pour down on my soul those graces which flow from Your love. Let my heart be united with Yours. Let my will be conformed to Yours in all things. May Your Will be the rule of all my desires and actions. Amen.

POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin

Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.



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.