The Faith Communities of:









Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 28th/29th 2021

MASS INTENTIONS - SATURDAY

CROOKSTOWN: 7PM - Andy O'Connor (A), Eddie & Rosetta Kearney (A), John & Delia (A), Liam Walsh (A), Christina Byrne (M.M.),

Rec Dec. John Morgan & Helen Mulhall.

MASS INTENTIONS - SUNDAY

BALLYMOUNT: 8.30AM - No Intention

CROOKSTOWN: 10:30AM - Edward Gallaghger, Paddy Kenny.

KILMEAD: 10.30AM - Eileen Fleming (4th A), Mrs Kathleen Clarke & Paddy Clarke, Paddy Molloy (A), Roberta Kelly (A).

MOONE: 12noon – Mary & Mick Kavanagh - Coolrake. John & Helen Kavanagh - Coolrake, Brigid Leigh (A), Rec. Dec. John Morgan.

WEEKDAY

CROOKSTOWN: Wed & Fri 9.30am -

Donor's Intentions.

Moone: Thursday 9:30am. *********

Pope's Intentions for August

Pope Francis urges everyone to pray during August for the **Church**,

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

BAPTISMS RESUMED

We are delighted to say that the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism has resumed in our parishes. Over the course of August and September, by having additional ceremonies, we hope that the backlog will be cleared.

The parish office is currently accepting bookings for those who are requesting the Sacrament of Baptism in our parishes Please note that in accordance with government guidelines and due to the capacity of our churches Baptisms will take place with only one family at a time for the moment. We appreciate your patience and understanding and we look forward to celebrating with you.



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

"When we serve the poor and the sick we serve Jesus. We must not fail to help our neighbours, because in them we serve Jesus."

St Rose of Lima

St Rose of Lima was born as **Isabel Flores de Oliva** in the city of Lima, Peru, on 20 April 1586. She was one of the many children of Gaspar Flores and his wife, María de Oliva y Herrera, Her later nickname "Rose" comes from an incident in her infancy: a servant claimed to have seen her face transform into a rose. In 1597 Isabel was confirmed and formally took the name of Rose at that time.

As a young girl, in emulation of Catherine of Siena, she began to fast three times a week and performed severe penances in secret. When she was admired for her beauty, Rose cut off her hair and rubbed pepper on her face, upset that men were beginning to take notice of her. She rejected all suitors against the objections of her friends and her family. Despite the censure of her parents, she spent many hours contemplating the Blessed Sacrament, which she received daily, an extremely rare practice in that period.

She was determined to take a vow of virginity, which was opposed by her parents who wished her to marry. Finally, out of frustration, her father gave her a room to herself in the family home. After daily fasting, she took to permanently abstaining from eating meat. She helped the sick and hungry around her community, bringing them to her room and taking care of them. Rose sold her fine needlework, and took flowers that she grew to market, to help her family. She made and sold lace and embroidery to care for the poor, and she prayed and did penance in a little grotto that she had built. Otherwise, she became a recluse, leaving her room only for her visits to church.

She attracted the attention of the friars of the Dominican Order. She wanted to become a nun, but her father forbade it, so she instead entered the Third Order of St. Dominic while living in her parents' home. In her twentieth year she donned the habit of a tertiary (a member of the Third Order) and took a vow of perpetual virginity. She only allowed herself to sleep two hours a night at most, so that she had more hours to devote to prayer. She donned a heavy crown made of silver, with small spikes on the inside, in emulation of the Crown of Thorns worn by Christ.

For eleven years she lived this way, with intervals of ecstasy, and eventually died on 24 August 1617, at the young age of 31. It is said that she prophesied the date of her death. Her funeral was held in the cathedral, attended by all the public authorities of Lima. Her feast day is August 23rd.

Rose was beatified by Pope Clement IX on 10 May 1667, and canonized on 12 April 1671, by Pope Clement X, and was the first Catholic in the Americas to be declared a saint. Her shrine, alongside those of her friends and fellow Dominicans, St Martin de Porres and St John Macias, is currently located inside of the convent of Saint Dominic in Lima.

St. Rose is the patroness of the Americas, the indigenous people of the Americas, and of Peru, especially the city of Lima, Sittard in the Netherlands, and of India and Philippine. She is also patroness of embroiderers, gardeners, florists, those who suffer ridicule for their piety, and people who suffer family problems.

St Rose - Pray for us.

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info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie

PRAYER TIME

HOLY HOUR AND EVENING PRAYER of the Church - Vespers, today and every Sunday from 3pm in Moone Church.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT every Tuesday at 7pm in Crookstown. Please drop in for some or all of it. Also available via webcam.

A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE Diocesan Priesthood

Lord our God, you said that "the harvest is rich but the laborers are few. Pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his fields.'

Lord, we pray for your Spirit to send us holy priests. To ignite the spark inside men to faithfully minister as priests in the Archdiocese of Dublin.

Fill them with zeal to come forward with a heart on fire with divine love, so they may become mirrors of Christ, your Son, in a world in need of His light, meaning, hope and courage. Send to the Archdiocese of Dublin, strong and courageous spiritual shepherds, fearless in proclaiming the Resurrection of Christ anew for our time.

May these men of prayer be always open to the responsible call of service to your beloved people.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

If you would like to learn more about becoming a priest in the Dublin Diocese visit: www.dublindiocese.ie/vocations or our parish website and click on the Sacraments tab on the main menu.

CELEBRATING YOUR WEDDING IN OUR **PARISH**

While Government/HSE guidelines permit 100 guests to attend a wedding, the actual number who may attend is restricted by the capacity of our churches. Please consult with the Parish Office about the capacity of our churches **BEFORE** inviting your guests.

CATECHETICAL CORNER.

One of the criticisms that some of the Protestant churches, the likes of the Evangelicals, Baptists etc... frequently level at the Catholic Church, and other mainstream protestants, is our practice of infant baptism. Baptism is a response to an encounter with Jesus. It is a response to encountering the Good News of the message of Jesus. If we think of Phillip and the eunuch from Acts 8:26-40, where the eunuch was baptised after Phillip had "proceeded to explain the good news of Jesus to him." Or again in Acts 10, the first gentiles are baptised after Peter preached about Jesus to them. So why infant baptism? Because, among many other things, we take the promise that parents make 'to bring them up in the faith' seriously. But to bring them up in the faith presupposes that we know the faith.

Our faith is rooted not in a set of beliefs, doctrines or dogmas, but rather in a relationship with the person of Jesus Christ and the GOD whom HE revealed, which is lived out through beliefs, doctrines and dogmas. GOD Himself desires this relationship. At the start of the 10 Commandments GOD says: 'I am the LORD you GOD...' showing that HE desires us to be close to HIM.

So here is the question; have you encountered Jesus? Have you encountered the Good News of Jesus in your life? If you have, how do you respond? There are many ways to encounter Jesus: in the Bible, you can also spend some time reflecting on the love HE has for us by meditating on the passion. Here is a practical thing to encounter Jesus as a living person: Every morning for the next 10 days let some of the first words you say be: "Good morning Jesus".

To Do: How would you introduce Jesus to someone who had never heard of HIM, why not think about and plan what you might say?

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

THE PARISH TEAM:

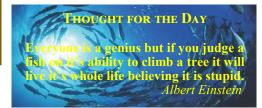
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PARISH SECRETARIES

BER MURPHY & TRISH HOLLIGAN - . Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 10am - 4pm. Ss. Mary & Laurence Church. Crookstown, Tel: 059 8623154. Email: stlaurenceschurch@gmail.com







Lord, we thank you for the gift of each child as they begin a new school year.

Bless them all with enthusiasm and heart excited to learn and grow.

Bless them with friends

Bless the 'smallies' as they begin school for the first time. Bless their families who may miss them and be so proud at the same time.



Bless the teachers and all the school staff.

Keep them all safe and happy and help everyone to grow into the person You have created them to be.

Loving God into Your care we place them all. Amen.

