

Parish Bulletin - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 3rd/4th 2021

MASS INTENTIONS - SATURDAY

CROOKSTOWN: 7PM - Seamus Mackey (A), Mrs. Sally O'Connor - Ballytore (5th A), Winnie Corrigan - (Birthday Rem), Dan, Butterfield (A), Betty Stack (A), Tom Lawlor (A)

Mass Intentions - Sunday BALLYMOUNT: 8.30AM No Intention

CROOKSTOWN: 10:30AM - No Intention

KILMEAD: 10.30AM - Brigid Conlan (A) and

deceased members of the Lennon family, Tom Hanlon - Rathconnell (9th A), Nano Keegan (A)

MOONE: 12noon – Willie Swayne – Hughestown $(1^{st} A)$

WEEKDAY

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

MOONE: Thursday 9:30am.



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

"[The one] who knows how to forgive prepares for [themselves] many graces from GOD. As often as I look upon the cross, so often will I forgive with all my heart." St. Faustina Kowalska

SISTER FAUSTINA was a young, uneducated nun in a convent of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Poland during the 1930s. She came from a poor family that struggled during the years of World War I. She had only three years of simple education, so her's were the humblest tasks in the convent, usually in the kitchen or garden. However, she received extraordinary revelations — or messages — from our Lord Jesus. Jesus asked Sr. Faustina to record these experiences, which she compiled into notebooks. These notebooks are known today as the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, and the words contained within are God's loving message of Divine Mercy. She died on October 5th 1938. Though the Divine Mercy message is not new to the teachings of the Church, Sr. Faustina's Diary sparked a great movement, and a strong and significant focus on the mercy of Christ. Saint John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina in 2000 making her the "first saint of the new millennium." The Divine Mercy image is drawn based on the visions of St Faustina as directed by Jesus.

Speaking of Sr. Faustina and the importance of the message contained in her *Diary*, the Pope called her "the great apostle of Divine Mercy in our time." Today, we continue to rely of St. Faustina as a constant reminder of the message to trust in Jesus' endless mercy, and to live life mercifully toward others. We also turn to her in prayer and request her intercession to our merciful Saviour on our behalf. Her feast day is October 5th and she is the patron saint of Mercy.

St. Faustina, pray for us

First Holy Communion, First Penance and Confirmation in the Athy Grouping of Parishes	CONFIRMATION IN ATHY PARISH IS AS FOLLOWS: Scoil Michil October 23 rd & Scoil Phadraig November 6 th
The Parish Team have been working hard to arrange the 29	
ceremonies for Holy Communion, Penance and Confirmation across	
the three parishes.	First Holy Communion in Athy Parish is as follows:
Holy Communion will be celebrated in Narraghmore and Moone as	Scoil Mhichil Naofa - 4 th Class October 5 th at 1pm and October 6 th
follows:	11am & 1pm
Crookstown NS - Friday October 8 th at 11am & 1pm	Kilberry NS - October 8 th at 11am
Moone NS - Wednesday October 13 th at 11am	Shanganagh NS - Barrowhouse - October 9 th at 11am
Kilmead NS - Friday October 15 th at 11am & 1pm	Churchtown NS - October 16 th at 11am
	Scoil Phadraig Naofa - October 15 th at 11am & 1pm and October
Confirmation will be celebrated in Narraghmore as follows:	22^{nd} at 11am & 1pm
Crookstown - Saturday October 16 th - at 11am & 1pm please	
note that due to a wedding this ceremony will take place in Moone	
Church.	The Sacrament of Penance will take place as part of the Mass for
Kilmead - Saturday October 23 rd at 11am	First Holy Communion.
The Ceremony of Light, before confirmation will take place as	
follows:	Please keep all of the young people of Moone, Narraghmore &
Crookstown - Thursday October 7 th at 7:30pm	Athy parishes, and their families, in your prayers as they
Kilmead - Thursday October 14 th at 7:30pm	prepare for these sacraments.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Don't forget to take one home for our younger parishioners.

THE OLD HARDWARE CAFÉ

Is open again in Narrgahmore for indoor dining for a cuppa and something nice. So as the days turn a bit cooler, the wind is picking up and the rain...ah the rain...Why not meet your friends for a chat and a catch up while supporting this great local enterprise.

New St (Padre) Pio Website and National Shrine

On the memorial of St Pio of Pietrelcina (23 September 2021), the Irish Capuchin Franciscan Province launched a new website for the Irish Centre for Padre Pio/National Shrine of St Pio located at St Mary of the Angel's Church Street Dublin 7. The new website address is: <u>www.padrepio.ie</u>. The website has a number of innovative features such as an online shop and the ability to light a virtual candle at the shrine.

The Irish Centre for Padre Pio/National Shrine is the centre for Padre Pio Ministry in Ireland and is affiliated with the Shrine of St Pio in San Giovanni Rotundo. The Shrine houses a number of first class relics of St Pio and is open daily. Full details are available on the website.

THE HAIL HOLY QUEEN CONFERENCE

On Saturday October 9th, The Hail Holy Queen Conference will be on Radio Maria Ireland at 2pm.

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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.

Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am Thursday 9:30am

CATECHETICAL CORNER - WEEK 6.

For many, if not most Catholics, the primary and perhaps only point of contact with our faith is Holy Mass. But how many of us actually understand what happens when we come to mass? Mass is so rich and divers in it's meaning, while at the same time, being a great mystery beyond understanding. Over the course of the next few weeks we will touch on some aspects of the Mass as we try to deepen our understanding, in as much as we are able, of this inexhaustible treasure. We will begin by looking at mass as an act of worship.

The document on Sacred Liturgy - Sacrosanctum Concillium - from the Second Vatican Council points out that: "the liturgy of the word and the Eucharistic liturgy, are so closely connected with each other that they form but one <u>single act of</u> <u>worship</u>." (Sacrosanctum Concillium 56). The mass, when properly understood is not offered by [man] at all. It is the Divine Liturgy, offered by Jesus to the Father. The priest acts as a 'stand in' almost for the High Priest who is Jesus. The priest, as the old Latin expression is: "In person Christi, capita. - In the person of Christ of the Head". There is only one High Priest, Jesus (Heb 4:14 & Rev. 5:6). Ordained priests share in HIS priesthood. Christ offered Himself to the Father as a 'living sacrifice'. It was this living sacrifice that is the ultimate act of worship. When we come to mass we join in this Act of Worship. We are present at the sacrificial act of worship and we participate in it, in as much as those who stood at the foot of the cross. Coming to mass is not about us, it is about GOD, it is an act of worship to GOD. AS we shall see in the coming weeks, when we come to mass we are in fact getting a glimpse into heaven. We are standing at the heavenly banquet, and joining with all hosts of Heaven in worshipping GOD. "The Eucharist...Is the culmination both of GOD's action sanctifying the world in Christ and of the worship [people] offer to Christ and through HIM to the Father in the Holy Špirit." CCC1325

To Do: Reflect on this question: 'What does the mass mean to me?"

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PARISH SECRETARIES

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COVID-19 UPDATE

As we emerge from the Emergency phase of Coivd-19 restrictions some of the measures that the parish has put in place will also change. One of the key changes will be that the 10:30am Sunday Mass in Crookstown church will be discontinued as and from October 17th, that date will be the last Sunday mass. This mass was introduced as a temporary measure to facilitate parishioners when the numbers who could attend mass were limited. But as all restrictions are being lifted from October 22nd this is no longer necessary.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK.

MONDAY - St Francis of Assisi Memorial TUESDAY - St Faustina Kowalska-Optional Memorial WEDNESDAY—St Bruno -Optional Memorial THURSDAY Our Lady of the Rosary -Memorial SATURDAY - St John Henry Newman -Optional Memorial

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.

Don't forget to visit our website: www.narraghmoreandmoone.ie