

# Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

The Faith Communities of:



Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

## Parish Bulletin—Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe - Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>

### MASS INTENTIONS

**CROOKSTOWN: 7PM** - Edward Lawlor - Wood Road, Thomas Charlie Lavin - late of Main St. Ballitore, Margaret O'Toole (1<sup>st</sup> A), John Brien - Lipstown, Narraghmore (A), Pat Dooner (A), Seán Keatley (1<sup>st</sup> A), Sheila Delaney - Wolfhill (A), Michael & Agnes Donoghue - Grangecon (A), Rec.Dec: Tom Byrne - Blackhall

**BALLYMOUNT: 8.30AM** Declan Wall (A)

**KILMEAD: 10.30AM** - Roseanne Donovan (A)

**MOONE: 12noon** - Noel Kenny (2<sup>nd</sup> A), James Kelly - Sheriff Hill (11<sup>th</sup> A) Seán Scally - Sheriff Hill (A)

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

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

**MOONE:**

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### NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

November is the time of the year when we as Christians remember and pray for our dead. You are very welcome to place the names of your beloved departed on the November altar list of the dead, all these people will be prayed for at every Mass in the parish during the month of November and at the 9:30am mass every first Friday of the month for the next twelve months.

Leaflets and envelopes are now available in the Church and office. Please take one and fill out the names of your loved ones whom you wish to be remembered. When complete return them to the office.

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### PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE TANYARD

Saturday Dec 4<sup>th</sup> at 2pm

Meeting will be outdoors so wrap up warm. Social Distancing in place

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“A SAINT IS A SINNER WHO JUST KEEPS TRYING.”

“Be slow to anger, swift to learn, slow also to speak, as St James says, equally swift to hear. Be respectful to the worthy, merciful to the poor. Be mindful of favours, unmindful of wrongs.”— *St Columban*

St Columban, also called Columbanus, is recognised as one of the great pioneers in western European civilization.

Columban was born in Leinster in 543. He became a monk at Bangor, Co. Down and later principal teacher there. Desiring to ‘go on pilgrimage for Christ’, he left Ireland to proclaim Jesus Christ and His Gospel to Western Europe, where people had fallen into barbarism.

Amid hardship and persecution, Columban and his followers founded monasteries throughout France, Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Italy, according to the Irish monastic rule.

His mission was noted for his remarkable zeal, having once been described as “traveling through Europe like a flaming torch enkindling the fire of God’s love in the hearts of men.” Columban’s great contribution to the Catholic Church was the new spirit in European monasticism he had instilled, a spirit of total commitment to Christ and to the values of the Gospels.

His denunciations of the immoral practices of the royal court and the general populace led to his exile from France and Switzerland.

He founded his last monastery at Bobbio, near Genoa, in Italy where he died on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 615. In the words of Pope Pius XI, “Columban is to be reckoned among those exceptional people whom Divine Providence is wont to raise up in the most difficult periods of human history to restore causes almost lost.” He is the patron saint of motorcyclists.  
*Saint Columban pray for us.*

### ADVENT INSPIRATIONS

Would you like to receive a short inspirational thought each day of Advent? Each day you will receive, by WhatsApp, a picture with an inspirational thought, just a sentence or two, to aid in our praying through Advent in preparation for Christmas. To receive the daily inspirations all you have to do is WhatsApp: “Join Advent Group” to 085 -7162852. You will then receive a link, click on the link and that’s it, you’re done.



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### PREPARE FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD.

NEXT SUNDAY is the first Sunday of Advent. The beautiful season of preparation, a time when we look forward with hope, love, joy and peace to the coming of our savior. Recently people have begun using Advent Calendars to mark the days off till Christmas. Children get a treat each day from their

Advent Calendar as we look forward to Christmas. This year we encourage to use a Reverse Advent Calendar. What is that? Well in addition to getting a treat each day we invite you to think of others each day. Encourage the children to offer a prayer for someone, thinking especially of the homeless or children who may not new toys this year. In a practical way we encourage you to donate a small item of non-perishable food or toiletries to the appeal for the homeless in Athy. There will be a box in Crookstown, Moone and Kilmead churches where donations can be left in which will be donated to the homeless service in Athy. ALL DONATIONS WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

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### LOCAL ANIMATORS FOR THE SYNODAL PATHWAY

As you know, Pope Francis has called a General Synod for the whole church in 2023. In preparation for the Universal Synod each

country will have a national synod and in preparation for that each diocese will have diocesan synod.



Preparations have begun for our national and diocesan synods. AS part of those preparations we are looking for a local animator in each of the 6 churches across

the Parish Grouping.

We are looking for someone who can generously donate time to this once in a life time event between now and next June.

It will entail approximately 4 hours of training, with ongoing support with resources made available to you, as well organising assemblies of one hour. If you think that you, or someone you know in the parish might be the right person, or if you would like to learn more about it, please contact Conor McCann, the Parish Pastoral Worker, on 086-7905654 or by email on [conor.mccann@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:conor.mccann@dublindiocese.ie)

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#### PRAYER OF THE DIOCESAN SYNODAL PATHWAY.

WE STAND BEFORE YOU, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path

nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life

and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

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The BUILDING HOPE TASK FORCE has completed it's work and has submitted it's report to Archbishop Farrell. A copy of that report is

available on our parish website.

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#### NOVEMBER MASS FOR OUR DECEASED PARISHIONERS

The November mass for deceased parishioners in Moone will take place on **THURSDAY NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>** - at 7:30pm and will be available via Webcam on our website

#### CATECHETICAL CORNER - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Pope Pius XI created this feast in 1925. The Blackshirts under Mussolini were already in power in Italy. Hitler had just become leader of the Nazi party in Germany. The world lay in the Great Depression and atheism was on the increase. What Pius XI was doing in creating this feast was to say to the world that despite dictatorships and economic collapse and false values, Jesus Christ was still King of the Universe.

In 1969 Pope Paul VI gave the feast its current date on the last Sunday in the liturgical year.

He also established it as a solemnity (which is the highest liturgical rank) and gave it a new title – The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

This is a tremendous feast with which to end the liturgical year because it turns upside down all the pre-conceived ideas we have about hierarchy, kingship and what it means to be in authority.

As we hear in today's Gospel (Jn. 18:33-37), Jesus' accusers fail to understand this type of kingdom: "... Mine is not a kingdom of this world... Yes, I am a king."

The earthly idea of kingship is of an all-powerful ruler, controller and dictator. Jesus has not come to 'lord' it over people. He is not interested in an earthly type of kingdom. His kingdom is very different – it is not of this world.

It is not simply that Jesus had spoken about a different place. His words and deeds presented a different way of living, one that is not about control or power but love and service. Jesus' power comes from God and it is a power that builds people up rather than diminishes them. He doesn't deny that he is a king but it is not the word he would use. The only thing that matters to him is the truth and that truth is God.

The message of this feast is that we have a hope-filled future and that things will get better for our Church if we can only open ourselves to the teaching, life and rule of our Universal King, Jesus the Christ, God's Suffering Servant.

#### MASS TIMES IN NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

##### St JOSEPH'S BALLYMOUNT:

Sunday 8:30am

##### Ss MARY & LAWRENCE CROOKSTOWN:

Saturday 7pm (Vigil)

Wednesday & Friday: 9.30am

##### St ITA'S KILMEAD:

Sunday 10.30am

*Mass is celebrated most weekdays at 10am but is subject to change or cancellation without notice.*

##### MOST BLESSED TRINITY MOONE:

Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

Thursday 9:30am

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##### PARISH SECRETARIES

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#### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK.

**MONDAY** - St Cecilia - Optional Memorial

**TUESDAY** - St Columban - Memorial.

**WEDNESDAY** - St Andrew Dung Lac & Companions - Memorial

**THURSDAY** - St Catherine of Alexandria, St Clement & St Colman - Op. Memoria

**Saturday** - St Fergal; Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

#### 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.