

Parish Bulletin - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 5th/6th 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

CROOKSTOWN: 7PM - Lily Walsh (1st A) Kathleen Ann Leigh - Baronsland, Paddy & Bridget Dunne (A), Pat Leigh Woodhill, Narraghmore (2nd A), Ned Donovan, Burtown (A), Lee Fagan (4th A), Lil Cullen Lipstown, Bridget Keogh (A), Julia Keogh - Grangecon (A), Rec. Dec. - Fr Philip Dennehy.

BALLYMOUNT: 8:30AM - Sheila Heydon Hughes (M.M), Rec. Dec - Fr Philip Dennehy

KILMEAD: 10.30AM - Maria Dempsey (5th A), Rec. Dec - Fr Philip Dennehy

MOONE: 12noon – Kathleen Ann Leigh, Baronsland (A), Sally Nola (1st A) and her husband Eddie (A), Michale O'Neill, Coolrake (A), Chris Moore (A), James Martin, Back Moone (A), Matthew Nolan (A), Doreeen Price, Back Moone (A), Sean Noone, (1st A), Rec. Dec - Fr Philip Dennehy

WEEKDAY MASSES:

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



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

St. Scholastica, sister of St. Benedict, consecrated her life to God from her earliest youth. After her brother went to Monte Cassino, where he established his famous monastery, she

moved close by where she founded and governed a monastery of nuns, about five miles from that of St. Benedict, who, it appears, also directed his sister and her nuns. She visited her brother once a year, and as she was not allowed to enter his monastery, he went in company with some of his brethren to meet her at a house some distance away. These visits were spent in conferring together on spiritual matters. On one occasion they had passed the time as usual in prayer and pious conversation and in the evening they sat down to take their reflection. St. Scholastica begged her brother to remain until the next day. St. Benedict refused to spend the night outside his monastery. She had recourse to prayer and a furious thunderstorm burst so that neither St. Benedict nor any of his companions could return home. St Benedict was annoyed by this butwhen he rebuked his sister she said: asked a favour of you and you refused, so I asked my GOD and HE did not refuse." ' Thev spent the night in spiritual conferences. The next morning they parted to meet no more on earth. Three days later St. Scholastica died, and her holy brother beheld her soul in a vision as it ascended into heaven in the form of a dove. He sent his brethren to bring her body to his monastery and laid it in the tomb he had prepared for himself. She died about the year 543, and St. Benedict followed her soon after. Her feast day is February 10th. She is the SAINT SCHOLASTICA - PRAY FOR US. patron for protection against storms.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF FR PHILIP DENNEHY RIP



Fr Philip Dennehy was born in Midleton, East Cork, on March 27th 1931 to Michael and Hannah Dennehy, where his father, from Kerry, was stationed as a member of An Garda Síochána. He was the sixth of eight children. He was ordained a priest in Holy Cross Church, Clonliffe College on June 4th 1955.

He served as priest of the Dublin Diocese in the following appointments: Chaplain to Our Lady's Hospital, Dun Laoghaire 1955-1956; St. Mary's Hospital, Phoenix Park 1956-1957; Eastwall 1957-1960; Valleymount 1960-1963; Athy 1963-1973; James's Street 1973-1978; Corduff 1978-1979; Administrator of Monkstown 1979-1980; Parish Priest of Mountview 1980-1985; Parish Priest of Athy 1985-2005. He became Pastor Emeritus in 2006 and continued to live in Athy Parish.

We thank God for Fr. Phil's 67 years of service as a priest, of which he spent 47 of those years in Athy Parish. He died peacefully in his own home on Monday evening January 31st 2022. The Funeral Mass, which took place in St. Michael's Church Athy, on Thursday morning February 3rd, was a celebration of the life and ministry of Fr. Philip Dennehy at which Archbishop Dermot Farrell was present and prayed the final prayers of commendation.

Following the Funeral Mass, Fr. Phil was buried, according to his wishes, with his parents, Michael and Hannah Dennehy, in St. Mary's Cemetery, Ballygunner, Co. Waterford.

We express our sympathy to his sister Aine Costello, his nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews, relatives and friends, Archbishop Dermot Farrell, his fellow priests, and his parishioners.

"Well done, good and faithful servant" (Mt. 25:23)

Scoil Íde Naofa - Kilmead



We are now enrolling pupils for the coming school year. Our school website gives an insight into the learning and fun that takes place in our

school every day! Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the school website www.kilmeadns.ie

ENROLMENT CLOSES ON 1st April 2022.

Please ring 059-8626100 for any enquiries.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES Join the community of the Oblate Church of Mary Immaculate, in Inchicore, for their annual Novena in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes. STARTING ON THE 2ND FEBRUARY and concluding with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (World Day of the Sick) on 11th February. Due to Covid-19 regulations, there will be limited capacity in the church each day, but those outside the parish are welcome to join via the weblink through the

parish website: www.oblateparishinchicore.ie *****

PUBLIC MEETING IN THE TANYARD **DUE TO COVID-19** the meeting planned for early December had to be postponed. Please come along to this rescheduled meeting to have your say. Any queries can be directed to: tanyardsecretary@gmail.com



30TH WORLD DAY OF THE SICK Celebrate the 30th World Day of the Sick/ Feast of our Lady of Lourdes by joining with the Redemptoristine Sisters, Drumcondra (rednuns.com webcam) **online** at 8.00 p.m. on Friday 11th February.

The text of the short service will be made available in the coming days so that you can participate more fully.

ACCORD ANNUAL COLLECTION will be made at all Masses next weekend. ACCORD is the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, .

ACCORD, throughout the Diocese offers: Marriage Preparation courses - online,

small groups.

CATECHETICAL CORNER - THE PRIESTHOOD

In a truly beautiful homily at the Reception of the Body of Fr Philip Dennehy on Wednesday evening, Fr Francis spoke of the priest as being one who is to be a beacon of Christ's light to the world. And while this might seem a very easy thing to say, and indeed is also true of all the baptised, it is especially true of the ordained priest. For it is through ordination that priest shares in the priesthood of Christ. There is, in fact, only one priest, and one sacrifice offered (this is the key function of a priest - to offer sacrifice. It is in offering sacrifice that the priest finds his true identity), the One priest is Christ and the One sacrifice is Christ. The priest, shares in that priesthood and offers that same sacrifice. This finds it roots in the priesthood of the Old Testament: "But within the people of Israel, God chose one of the twelve tribes, that of Levi, and set it apart for liturgical service; God himself is its inheritance. A special rite consecrated the beginnings of the priesthood of the Old Covenant. the priests are "appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins." (CCC #1539). Although instituted and blessed by GOD; "this priesthood nevertheless remains powerless to bring about salvation, needing to repeat its sacrifices ceaselessly and being unable to achieve a definitive sanctification, which only the sacrifice of Christ would accomplish." (CCC#1540). The Priesthood, while having it's roots in the Levitical priesthood is essentially different; "Everything that the priesthood of the Old Covenant prefigured finds its fulfillment in Christ Jesus...The redemptive sacrifice of Christ is unique, accomplished once for all; yet it is made present in the Eucharistic sacrifice of the Church. the same is true of the one priesthood of Christ; it is made present through the ministerial priesthood without diminishing the uniqueness of Christ's priesthood: "Only Christ is the true priest, the others being only his ministers." (CCC ##1544-45). It is the sacrifice of Christ that is offered, the once off sacrifice that is made present in through the actions of the priest. The priest is, in this regard, very much a beacon of the light of Christ in the world. Thank God for our priests.

- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.
- A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. *****

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

THE PARISH TEAM: FR LIAM RIGNEY PP - 087-2607377; Email: liam.rigney@dublindiocese.ie 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

PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE.

Pope Francis has asked that all Catholics, over the coming days, make a special effort to take some time to pray for Peace, especially in Russia and the Ukraine. As Europe stands on the brink of war it has never been more urgent. Let us all do our part for peace.



FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK. MONDAY - St Mel - Op. Memorial TUESDAY - St Jerome Emiliani & St Josephine Bakhita - Op. Mem WEDNESDAY -THURSDAY - St Scholastica Friday - Our Lady of Lourdes St Gobnait - Op Mem SATURDAY - Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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