

Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

The Faith Communities of:



Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 12th/13th 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

CROOKSTOWN: 7PM - Sr. Mary Ghent OSM, Rose Devereux (A), Lee Fagan (4th A), Ellen (Nellie) Byrne - Mullaghmast (A), Jim Butterfield (10th A), John Wright - Ballytore (A), Pat & Sally Flood - Wood Road, Narraghmore (A), Jim Hickey (A), John Keogh- formerly Moyle Abbey whose body was interred in Crookstown this week. REC. DEC. - Fr Philip Corcoran former curate in Kilmead. Betty Green - Bristol, on the occasion of her 96th Birthday.

BALLYMOUNT: 8:30AM - Martin Dowling (A) & his sister Anne Ward (née Dowling) recently deceased. REC. DEC - Fr Philip Corcoran former curate in Kilmead

KILMEAD: 10.30AM - Berna, Eamonn & Fionnuala Lynch, REC. DEC - Fr Philip Corcoran former curate in Kilmead

MOONE: 12noon - Dick Watts (1st A) and deceased members of the Watts family, Eamonn O'Toole (A), Donie McGrath - Hughestown (A), Patrick & Paddy Leigh - Castledermot (A) REC. DEC - Fr Philip Corcoran, former curate in Kilmead.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

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

ACCORD ANNUAL COLLECTION



will be made at all Masses this weekend. ACCORD is the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family.

ACCORD, throughout the Diocese offers:

- Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups.
- 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.



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

SAINT VALENTINE, officially known as Saint Valentine of Rome, is a third-century Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14. Although not much of St. Valentine's life is reliably known, it is highly agreed that St. Valentine was martyred and then buried on the Via Flaminia to the north of Rome. The legends attributed to the mysterious saint are as inconsistent as the actual identification of the man.

One common story about St. Valentine is that, he was on house arrest with Judge Asterius. While discussing religion and faith with the Judge, Valentine pledged the validity of Jesus. The judge immediately put Valentine and his faith to the test. St. Valentine was presented with the judge's blind daughter and told to restore her sight. If he succeeded, the judge vowed to do anything for Valentine. Placing his hands onto her eyes, Valentine restored the child's vision. Judge Asterius, true to his word, was baptised, along with his family and entire 44 member household. The now faithful judge then freed all of his Christian inmates.

St. Valentine was later arrested again for continuing to try to convert people to Christianity. The story tells that St. Valentine was imprisoned for marrying Christian couples so husbands wouldn't have to go to war. and aiding Christians being persecuted by Claudius in Rome. Another variation of the legend of St. Valentine says he refused to sacrifice to pagan gods, was imprisoned and while imprisoned he healed the jailer's blind daughter. On the day of his execution, he left the girl a note signed, "Your Valentine." In the 19th century some of his remains were brought to Whitefriar Street, Carmelite church where there is a shrine to him to this day. Tradition has it that it was a popular place for Dubliners to get engaged. He is the patron of love, of young people and happy marriages. His feast is February 14th. **SAINT VALENTINE - PRAY FOR US.**

PARISH LOTTO - JANUARY RESULTS

The winning numbers were:

24-25-40

There was no jackpot winner, the following players each won €20.

Tom Dunne c/o M. Cullen
Cameron Molloy c/o N. Dowling
Geraldine Case c/o M. Cullen
Sheena O'Connor c/o M. Cullen
Thomas Wall c/o M. Cullen.

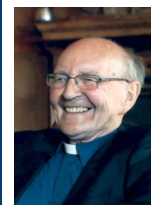
Congratulations to each of them.

Next month's Jackpot is €2000.00

The Parish Lotto helps fund the running of the Parish. If you would like to financially support your parish, while having a bit of craic, please contact the Parish Office

DEATH ANNOUNCED OF FR PHILIP CORCORAN - RIP

Fr Philip Corcoran, former curate in St Ita's Church in Kilmead, died on Wednesday last. He was retired PP Confey (Leixlip). Fr Philip was in Presentation School Bray and Bray Technical College 1961 - 67. He was then Curate in Killester & Vallemount. He served in Narraghmore (Kilmead) between 1980 and 1986, Then Castlenock and finally as Parish Priest in Confey/Leixlip until retirement. Fr Philip died peacefully at his home.



Fr Philip was buried in Confey Cemetery after requiem mass in the Church of St. Charles Borromeo, Confey on Saturday, February 12th.

AR DHEIS DÉ GO RAIBH A ANAM.



.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 CLOSING ON 1ST APRIL 2022.

Please ring 059-8626100 for any enquiries.

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
KNOCK PILGRIMAGE.
The Archdiocese of Dublin Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday April 23rd. More details to follow. Subject to government restrictions, we hope to be able to travel to Knock this year. We invite expressions of interest from choirs who would like to participate. For more information, please email knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie

ORDINATION OF DEACON JOE KEEGAN
The Office for Vocations to Priesthood invite you to join in praying for Deacon Joe Keegan who will be ordained to the priesthood by Archbishop Dermot Farrell. The Ordination takes place on Sunday, 20th February at 3pm in the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Cabra West, Dublin 7. The Ordination can be viewed on the parish webcam link: <https://www.churchservices.tv/cabrawest>. This is a great joy and blessing for Deacon Joe and for the whole diocese. Please include a prayer for vocations in your daily and Sunday prayer of the faithful.

MASS TIMES IN NARRAGHMORE & MOONE
ST JOSEPH'S BALLYMOUNT:
Sunday 8:30am

CATECHETICAL CORNER - THE PRIESTHOOD

Central to Catholicism is the sacrifice of the Mass. The sacrificial element of our religion can be found in the very roots of our faith, in our Jewish background. We only have to think of the sacrifice that made the Exodus possible.

When GOD brought the Jewish people out of captivity, he established a new covenant with them and established the tribe of Levi to act as priests for the people, to offer the sacrifices that signified this covenant. It is this Levitical priesthood that is the root of our priesthood, the primary role of which is to offer sacrifice - the sacrifice of the Mass. The Sacrament (*an efficacious, outward sign of an invisible reality*) of the priesthood is called Holy Orders, but why? What does Holy Orders have to do with priesthood and why is it called that? We find the answer in Catechism of the Catholic Church - CCC. *"Holy Orders is the sacrament through which the mission entrusted by Christ to his apostles continues to be exercised in the Church until the end of time: thus it is the sacrament of apostolic ministry."* (CCC 1536)

When the Church was in its infancy, it came under the protection of the Roman Emperor Constantine and became, after the conversion of Constantine to Christianity, the state religion, and as such, it took on many of the trappings of the Roman state. In Roman times, an organised body or group was called an Ordo or Order. *"Integration into one of these bodies in the Church was accomplished by a rite called ordination, a religious and liturgical act which was a consecration, a blessing or a sacrament. Today the word "ordination" is reserved for the sacramental act which integrates a man into the order of bishops, presbyters, or deacons, (the three degrees priesthood) and goes beyond a simple election, designation, delegation, or institution by the community, for it confers a gift of the Holy Spirit that permits the exercise of a "sacred power" which can come only from Christ himself through his Church. Ordination is also called consecratio, for it is a setting apart and an investiture by Christ himself for his Church. the laying on of hands by the bishop, with the consecratory prayer, constitutes the visible sign (of the invisible reality) of this ordination."* (CCC 1538). Previously we have looked at Sacramentals and how they find their efficacy in and through the Church. Sacraments are different, in that while they are a 'sign' of something, they also accomplish that which they signify. So while the laying on of hands at ordination signifies the *ordinatio/consecratio* it also accomplishes this very act of setting the ordained apart to offer sacrifice on behalf of the people. An onerous responsibility, hence why our priests need the support of our pray-ers.

SS MARY & LAWRENCE CROOKSTOWN:
Saturday 7pm (Vigil)
Wednesday & Friday: 9.30am

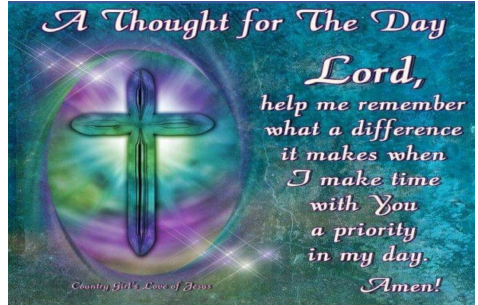
ST ITA'S KILMEAD:
Sunday 10.30am
Mass is celebrated most weekdays at 10am but is subject to change or cancellation without notice.

MOST BLESSED TRINITY MOONE:
Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

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PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE.
Pope Francis has asked that all Catholics continue to 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 - Ss Cyril & Methodius - Feast (St Valentine is not celebrated)
TUESDAY -
WEDNESDAY -
THURSDAY - Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
FRIDAY -
SATURDAY - Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary.