

Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

The Faith Communities of:



Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - 4th Sunday of Lent - March 26th/27th 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

CROOKSTOWN: 7PM - John Doyle Portersize, Ballytore (1st A), Bob O'Connor (A), Mai Finnegan (10th A), Steve Kavanagh (A), Larry Whelan (M.M.), Patsy Keogh - Lipstown (A), Frank Keogh - Grangecon (A) John Kelly - Herts, England (A)

BALLYMOUNT: 8:30AM - No Intention

KILMEAD: 10.30AM - Frances Doyle (4thA) William Bell (A), Noelle O'Connor (A) Mass offered last week.

MOONE: 12noon - Nora Kelly - Grangenolvin (1st A), Fr. Patrick Kelly - former P.P. of Moone Parish (A), Patrick O'Sullivan - Timolin (A), Steve Kavanagh (A), Paddy Barrett (1st A), Julia Byrne (A) Adrienne Byrne (A), Anne Moran - Coolrake (A), John & Mary Whitty - Hughestown whose anniversaries occur at this time and deceased members of the Whitty family

WEEKDAY MASSES:

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

SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY IN SUPPORT OF UKRAINE

The Catholic Bishops have asked all parishes to contribute to a special collection today for the support of aid agencies in Ukraine.

Please be as generous as you can afford to be.

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Our Lenten Prayer nights are back after a Covid enforced break. This year they will take place as follows:

Wednesday March 30th @ 7:30pm
ATHY

Wednesday April 6th @ 7:30pm
CASTLEDERMOT



CONSECRATION OF RUSSIA TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY.

In July 1917, during the third apparition of Our Lady in Fatima she said: "...In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she shall be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world..." Consecration is the solemn dedication to a special purpose or service. The word consecration literally means "association with the sacred". The origin of the word comes from the Latin stem consecrat, which means dedicated, devoted, and sacred. In other words Our Lady asked for Russia to be dedicated to her and her Immaculate Heart. According to the apparitions at Fatima, the Act of Consecration must be accompanied by the devotion of the Five First Saturdays. Our Lady has said that the conversion of Russia, and corresponding world peace, is in our hands. Our Holy Father consecrated Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday last, but that is not the end, we must now all pray for the ongoing conversion of Russia and indeed of our own hearts.

The means to do this, according to Our Lady, is the First Saturday devotion which is: Receive holy communion on **five consecutive First Saturdays**.. Go to **confession** each month.. Recite **five decades of the Rosary** on the First Saturdays.. **Meditate for 15 minutes** on the mysteries of the Rosary. All of these actions should be done with the intention to **make reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary**. Above all, this devotion is not simply meant to be a mechanical or meaningless recitation of prayers, but a true conversion of heart.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA - PRAY FOR US.

SENIORS COFFEE MORNINGS AT THE OLD HARDWARE

The Old Hardware Shop & Tearoom in Narraghmore is run by dedicated volunteers and offers a friendly place to catch up for a tea/coffee and homemade treats, as well as shop a range of locally produced crafts and top-up grocery essentials.

Our very popular Seniors Coffee Mornings are back from Thursday, 31st March - offering Seniors a free cuppa and scone between 11am - 12noon every Thursday. We hope to see you then.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE GIRLS AND BOYS OF CROOKSTOWN NS AS THEY PREPARE TO BE CONFIRMED NEXT FRIDAY.
COME HOLY SPIRIT.

DUBLIN DIOCESAN SYNODAL PATHWAY.

We continue on our journey along the Diocesan Synodal Pathway with our Parish listening gathering. TO date we have held gatherings in; Ballymount, Barrowhouse, Moone & Athy. We will continue our gatherings this coming week. If you have not had the opportunity to attend with your own faith community please feel free to come along to any of the remaining gatherings, you will be most welcome

The listening gatherings are as follows:

- ATHY: TUE - MAR 29TH - in Árd Scoil na Trinóide - 2nd Session
- KILMEAD: MON - MAR 28TH & APR 4TH Scoil Ide hall.

This is your opportunity to have your say and to have your voice heard in Rome. These are Listening events, there will not be an opportunity for discussion or answering questions, but your questions or concerns will feature in the report from the gatherings which will be brought to Rome for the Synod in 2023. Your Church needs you, please, if you care take the time to share.

MASS INTENTIONS.

In order to avoid the upset and disappointment of a Mass intention being missed and the Mass not being offered, or the name not being included in Parish Bulletin **ALL** Mass intentions **MUST** be booked with the parish office in Crookstown only. Opening hours and contact details are below.

CONFIRMATION CONGRATULATIONS

To the girls and boys from Scoil Colmcille in Moone, who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday. In his homily, Fr Francis told the children that we are all on a faith journey with the Holy Spirit to guide and help us. He encouraged to use their gifts and talents so that they can hear the words; 'well done good and faithful servant', echoing the words from the Gospel. He also encouraged the boys and girls not to be afraid to stand up for the Catholic faith that they professed and were confirmed in.

HOLY SPIRIT - WE WELCOME YOU.

FOUNDATIONAL CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

The Dublin Diocese are running a foundational leadership programme which offers a unique opportunity to explore and develop Gospel centered transformational leadership skills that can be readily applied to your own context, situation and background. This leadership programme is for any Christian over the age of 18 - (if you are 17 and turning 18 shortly you can still register.) How to register? Go to www.missionministry.ie or email Ger Gallagher at ger.gallagher@dublindiocese.ie. A number of young people from our parish grouping have already completed this programme. For further information please contact Conor McCann, the Parish Pastoral Worker on 086-7905654. It is an amazing programme not just for your involvement in the parish but also for your own life journey.

MOONE CLASSIC & VINTAGE ROAD RUN
Sunday 10th April at 1pm.
Fr. Liam will be driving a tractor on the day - you have been warned!!!

CATECHETICAL CORNER - THE ROLE AND MISSION OF THE LAITY PARTICIPATION IN CHRIST'S KINGLY OFFICE

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A KING? A king is a leader. A king is one who personifies the values of the kingdom. A king is one who says follow me. A king is anointed. Jesus Christ was definitely all of the above. HE was definitely one who led, HE personified the values of the Kingdom, HE was definitely one who said 'Follow me' and HE was anointed. The word Christian means 'The Anointed Ones', because we are both spiritually and in the literal sense anointed. We are anointed with Oil at our Baptism and again at our Confirmation, our priests receive a third anointing at Ordination and we our sick.

Over the past few weeks we have seen how we share in the Priestly and Prophetic office of Christ, today we look at what it means to be a 'Kingly' people, a nation of leaders, saying follow me this is the way.

The laity's kingly office is exercised by their leadership in temporal affairs, acting as Christ would. Jesus, the king of heaven, gave his life to conquer sin and death, to bring resurrection and new life. By bringing Christ's leadership and governance in our own spheres, we offer renewal and new life where it is most needed. We read in the Catechism which also references the document on the Church from Vatican II known as Lumen Gentium - (*The Light of Peoples*): **"Moreover, by uniting their forces let the laity so remedy the institutions and conditions of the world when the latter are an inducement to sin, that these may be conformed to the norms of justice, favouring rather than hindering the practice of virtue. By so doing they will impregnate culture and human works with a moral value"** (CCC, 909; *Lumen Gentium*, 36 § 3). Finally, lay leadership helps the local church to flourish.

"The laity can also feel called, or be in fact called, to cooperate with their pastors ... for the sake of [church] growth and life ... through the exercise of different kinds of ministries according to the grace and charisms which the Lord has been pleased to bestow on them" (CCC, 910; Paul VI, *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, 73). In CCC 910, we are reminded to *'distinguish carefully between rights and duties'*, thus implying that we have a duty to act in this way, a duty conferred on us by our Baptism.

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

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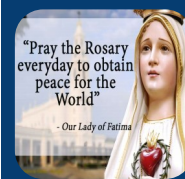
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Please keep Terry-Louise Aupiais in your prayers as she continues her preparation for Baptism at the Easter Vigil in the church of Ss Mary & Laurence in Crookstown. Each week at mass, Terry has been going through various liturgical rites, called the Scrutinies.

As part of these rites, Terry is dismissed from the assembly before the Liturgy of the Eucharist begins. The rite (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - RCIA) does allow for her to remain, and she was given this option, but she has chosen to be dismissed.

In making her decision, she said that it speaks to the fact that she is not yet a member of the Church and she looks forward to the time when she can remain for all of Mass and receive the Eucharist. This serves as reminder to us all of the great privilege that it is to be able to receive the Eucharist and not something to be taken for granted, as we so often do.

PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE.



Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine, especially the Rosary.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK.

SATURDAY - Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary.