

Parish Bulletin - The Body & Blood of Christ/Corpus Christi - June 18^h/19^h 2022

MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM - Bob Murphy -Calverstown (A), Rita Nolan - Blackrath (A)

CROOKSTOWN 7PM - Patrick Chambers, Nicholas Donovan - Burtown (A), Kathleen Ann Leigh, Mary McDonnell, Seamie Corcoran - Ballitore (A), Paddy & Cora O'Dwyer - Newbridge (A), Kathleen O'Halloran - Ballitore Hill (A),

KILMEAD 10.30AM - Mary O'Donoghue, Johnny Behan

MOONE 12 noon - John Martin (A), Jerry Hayes (A), Jim O'Brien - Lower Belan (A), Lar O'Toole - Timolin & his son Patrick O'Toole, Eamon Bolger - Ballitore Hill (A), Patsy O'Halloran - Timolin (A), Bridie Nolan - Portersize (A)

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

TUESDAY 10AM - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion in Moone Church *****

GRADUATION MASS.

On Wednesday next, the boys and girls of Scoil Íde Naofa in Kilmead will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving as they graduate from Primary School. Please keep them in your prayers as they embark on the next stage of their lives.

We pray that they will be blessed with Love, Hope & Faith.

ADD YOUR VOICE - COMMUNITY CHOIR A Community Choir is starting up and they want you to join them.

You can go along an find out what it's all about on Tuesdays at 8:15pm in the Old Hardware in Narraghmore.

They have a new Choir Master and they are looking for new members, you wont even have to audition. For more information just Text to: 083-4549737, expressing your interest or just go along on Tuesday, you will be most welcome.

SUMMER DUES.

Last year Archbishop Farrell, launched a Do you live in Narraghmore or the Summer Dues appeal following the dramatic surrounding area? Would you have an hour decline in contributions to the Common or two to spare ONCE A YEAR? (no that is Fund (first collection) for the support of not a typo). priests and Share (second collection) for the distributors in the Narraghmore area. If you support of poorer parishes, due to Covid-19 and the closure of our churches for a contact: Lily O'Mara in the Post Office in prolonged period of time.

The priests of our parish and our Diocese Office on 059-8623154. continue to need your support. Contributions have not recovered and there is a shortfall in the Common Fund for the support of priests, including those in need of full time care. There will not be a collection as such, but we are asking that if you can at all, to please make a special donation and place it in an envelope marked SUMMER DUES. Please be as generous as you can afford to be, we are very conscious of the rising cost of living Jesus said to them, 'Come away with and that many families may find themselves, yet again in a difficult financial position.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We need Parish Envelope can help your parish in this vital role please Ballitore 059-8623101 or Ber in the Parish *****

MONTH'S MIND MASS FOR FR JOE DORAN Next Saturday, June 25th Fr Vincent will

offer Mass for the Month's Mind of Fr Joe Doran. This will be the ususal 7pm in

Crookstown but will be offered for Fr Joe who ministered in this parish.

"COME AWAY WITH ME.."

me. Let us go alone to a quiet place and rest for a while.' Mt. 6:31.

Every Tuesday evening at 7pm you can take Jesus up on His invitation and join the Holy Hour in Crookstown Church led by Fr Francis. Everyone is welcome. ********

PRAYER FOR THOSE SITTING EXAMS

During the month of June a candle will be lit at each mass in our Churches for those sitting exams.

There are bookmark style prayer cards available that can be given to those sitting exams.

Please be assured that for those who are sitting exams we are keeping you in our prayers and supporting you in the best way we can.

'THE GIFT OF BELONGING'.

The Dominican Retreat Centre at St Mary's Priory in Tallaght has a programme of retreats over the summer. From Saturday, June 25, to Friday, July 1, residential retreat with Canon Michael Hurley. "The gift of belonging". Cost: Residential €525.00, nonresidential €350.00. Booking 01 4048189 or dominicanretreats@gmail.com. *******

SACRED HEART MESSENGER - MASS

On the Feast of the Sacred Heart, Friday, June 24, Sacred Heart Messenger has organised a Mass at 7pm in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook, Dublin 4. All are welcome to join with Messenger promoters and readers in person and on the church webcam at www.donnybrookparish.ie. The homily will be by Fr Donal Neary SJ, Editor.

SACRED HEART TRIDUUM

The Sacred Heart Fathers at St John Vianney Parish, Ardlea Road, Artane, D05 TH79, are celebrating a Triduum to the Sacred Heart of Jesus from Wednesday, June 22nd, to Friday, June 24th. There will be Mass each day at 10am and on Friday at 7.30 pm. Also Meditation and Song at 7.30pm on Wednesday the 22nd and a Holy Hour at 7.30pm on Thursday the 23rd. Confessions after each service.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY.

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for fathers around the world who may be grieving or whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide young people with fatherly love and guidance.

We pray for men who have not accepted a father's responsibility; may they come to realise how essential they are to the life of their child.

We pray for Fathers, grandfathers, greatgrandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and still nourish us with their love.



Ireland's annual national march for life

HOLY HOUR IN HONOUR OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS Firday next, June 24th at 3pm in Crooksotwn. Everyone welcome.

CATECHETICAL CORNER - "THIS IS MY BODY"

A recent survey in the USA found up to 70% of Roman Catholics do not believe in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist - Holy Communion. Many hold the protestant view that it is merely a symbolic presence and not the actual Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus in the smallest fragment of the Host.

The Church has held the teaching on the real presence from the time of Christ, a teaching that was passed on from the Apostles and solidified in the Scriptures, especially in the 6th chapter of the Gospel of St John. In verse 35, Jesus says: "*I am the bread of life*." In v. 41 HE says: "*I am the bread that has come down from Heaven*." in v.51: "*I am the living bread* … . Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Now even in Jesus' own time many doubted this teaching; v. 52 says: "The Jews started arguing...How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' But interestingly Jesus doesn't back down, HE doesn't modify HIS teaching in order to mollify them In fact, HE goes further, in v. 53: "...In all truth I tell you, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you." And in v.55 HE says: "my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink." But v.57 is perhaps the most direct of all when HE says: "whoever <u>eats me</u> will also draw life from me."

At the time, many of HIS own disciples found this teaching so hard to take that they left HIM (See v. 66). But again, Jesus didn't back down, HE didn't run after them and beg them to stay, in fact HE turned to the 12 Apostles and said: "*What about you, do you want to go away too?*"

This teaching on the Eucharistic Presence of Christ, on the Real Presence of Christ in Holy Communion, is the very heart of Catholicism. It is what we are all about: "*I am with you always*..." There have been many Eucharistic miracles attesting to this down through the centuries.

Even today, the question of Jesus to the Apostles resonates in our own time: "...do you want to go away too?" Do you find it "intolerable language" (v. 60). Or can we say with St Thomas when he met Jesus after HE had risen form the dead: "My Lord and my GOD." (Jn.20:28). And if we believe, then what? Does it change how we behave? Does it change how we receive Holy Communion? If Jesus is really, fully and substantially present in the Eucharist, then what?

Mass TIMES IN NARRAGHMORE & MOONE The ANIMA CHRISTI (Soul of Christ) Prayer,

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 12 accer July Days 11 acc

Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

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PARISH SECRETARIES

BER MURPHY & TRISH HOLLIGAN - . Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 10am - 4pm. Ss. Mary & Laurence Church, Crookstown, TEL: 059 8623154. Email: stlaurenceschurch@gmail.com which has largely fallen into dis-use, is generally attributed to St Ignatius of Loyola who died in 1556. However, some historians claim that it may pre date St Ignatius by as much as 150 years. Either way, it appears at the beginning of his classic spiritual work, the Spiritual Exercises and has been prayed by Catholics ever since. It is traditionally prayed after receiving Holy Communion and is understood that, when prayed with love and devotion, it can lead us to a deep union with Christ. The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (*Corpus Christi*), which we celebrate today, might be an opportune time to resurrect it's use.

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus, hear me. Within your wounds hide me. Permit me not to be separated from you. From the wicked foe, defend me. At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you That with your saints I may praise you For ever and ever. Amen.