

# Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

## The Faith Communities of:



## Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

## Parish Bulletin - 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> 2022

### MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

**CROOKSTOWN 7PM** - Sr. Mary Ghent OSM, John Morgan (1st A), Kathleen Mulhall (A) Mairead Corrigan (2nd A), Matt Farrell (A) Seán Delaney - Simonstown, Moone (A), Michael Farrell - Boleybeg (A), Frank Keogh - Lipstown (A), Bill Brown - Ballytore (A)

**BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM** -

**KILMEAD 10.30AM** - Roberta Kelly (A)

**MOONE 12 noon** - Caroline Kavanagh Christy, Christine, Ann, Kathleen, Catherine, Monica & Brian Mulhall, Leeia Scully Ann & Dominic Dempsey, Seán Delaney - Simonstown, Moone (A)

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

**MOONE TUESDAY 10AM** - Returning in September

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### BACK TO SCHOOL

We pray GOD's blessing on the staff and pupils who will be retuning to school next Wednesday in Scoil Íde Naofa in Kilmead. Especially to the girls and boys who are beginning school.



### PARISH LOTTO JULY WINNERS:

The following each won €20:  
**Grace Lawler**  
**Sheamus Byrne**  
**Maura Daly**  
**Mary McLaughlin**  
**M. Sweeney**

Congratulations to them all. If you would like to have a bit of fun while supporting the parish consider playing the parish lotto. Contact the parish office for further details.

**NEXT MONTH'S JACKPOT IS €2,000.**



### MOONE CHURCH RESTORATION

Would you like to be in with a chance to win a beautifully restored Massey Ferguson 135, with a Irish Brown Tax Book and help fund the restoration of Moone Parish Church at the same time?

Moone Tractor Run are holding a raffle for this lovely tractor. Tickets can be purchased from Giles Keppel 087-2439269 or from Vinny Farrell in Moone. They are also available online at: <https://www.idonate.ie/raffle/MooneChurch>. Tickets cost €10 each or 3 for €25, 7 for €50 and 15 for €100.

Please support this very worthy cause and as they say: "IF YOU'RE NOT IN, YOU CAN'T WIN."

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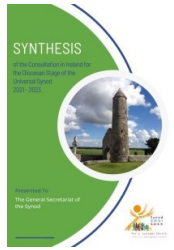
### NATIONAL SYNTHESIS DOCUMENT

I'm sure you have seen or heard the coverage in the media this week for the all-Ireland report on the Synod which has now been forwarded to Rome.

Dr Nicola Brady, chair of the Steering Committee for the Irish Synodal Pathway, said: "The strong sense of shared responsibility that has guided our synodal process so far, from the local to the national level, has been a great encouragement. It is hoped that this will continue to motivate us to develop our skills of deep listening and discernment, as we reflect on the

significance of our national synthesis, and the different voices of the church around the world, asking what God wants of us in light of what we have heard."

You can read the full document on our parish website under The Synod tab on the main menu or by [using this link](#) if you are viewing the Bulletin online. Please do take time to read and reflect on it's contents.



### SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN &

#### MASS IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION

On Sunday August 28<sup>th</sup>, the 8:30am Mass in St Joseph's Church in Ballymount will be offered in grateful recognition and appreciation for the dedicated service over many years of the late Sheila Heydon-Hughes and the late Margaret Ryan.

After mass, two trees will be planted in the grounds of the Church in memory of them and there will be light refreshments served.

Everyone is welcome.

#### VULNERABLE ADULTS

The July Newsletter from Diocesan Protection Services is available on our Parish Website. You will find it in the Our Parish tab on the main menu. If you have any concerns about Child Safety please contact any of our safeguarding reps or the Diocesan Protection Service. Full contact details are available in all parish buildings and on our website.

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FANCY A CUPPA? Don't forget to shop local. The Piers Café in Moone and the Old Hardware in Narraghmore serve a delicious selection of coffee & tea and very tempting treats. Your support is very much appreciated.



**OUR LADY'S ISLAND PILGRIMAGE FROM MOONE PARISH**

Thank you to all involved in organising the Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Island for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was a great day and we were blessed with beautiful weather while there.

Before we departed from Moone, at 11am mass, Fr Liam blessed a beautiful new statue of Our Lady of Knock which has been donated to Moone parish, many thanks to the anonymous donor.



**A PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION**

O Lord, my God, I am not worthy that You should come into my soul,  
but I am glad that You have come to me because in Your loving kindness you desire to dwell in me. You ask me to open the door of my soul, which You alone have created, so that You may enter into it with Your loving kindness and dispel the darkness of my mind.

I believe that You will do this for You did not turn away Mary Magdalene when she approached You in tears. Neither did You withhold forgiveness from the tax collector who repented of his sins or from the good thief who asked to be received into Your kingdom.

Indeed, you numbered as Your friends all who came to You with repentant hearts.  
O God, You alone are blessed always, now, and forever. *St John Chrysostom*

**30 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR OUR CHILDREN**

With schools, universities and colleges starting back soon, help us make September a month of prayer for our young people (our children/grandchildren). Please share this little resource, use it and remember to say at least one short prayer for them each day in September.

You can download, print and share this short resource from our parish website in the [Children's Corner](#). Some copies will be available in our churches.



**WORLD YOUTH DAY LISBON 2023**

World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with the Pope celebrated every three years in a different country. It will take place next year the 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> August 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal. It is open to all young people from 16-35 yrs.

The Parishes of Athy, Narraghmore & Moone are holding an Information meeting on **THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> OF AUGUST AT 7PM** in Fr. Dennehy's house across the road from the Church in Athy. If this would be of interest to you, please contact Natasha on



**CATECHETICAL CORNER - THERE'S AN AWFUL LOT OF KISSING GOING ON AT MASS!**

Have you ever noticed that when the priest comes to the Altar, the Altar means the Altar table, the area in which the Altar is situated is known as the Sanctuary, the first thing that he does at the beginning of Mass is to kiss the Altar. He may sometimes just do what is called a 'profound bow' which is a bow from the waist as opposed to a simple bow from the neck or of the head only. But why does he do this?

Sacrifice requires an Altar. The altar of Sacrifice on which Christ died is the Cross, and when we come to Mass, that same sacrifice, the once and for all sacrifice of Christ on the Cross, is made present again and we are partakers and sharers in that sacrifice. It is not a re-enactment of it, it's not 'let's pretend', it is really, truly and substantially present and we are, in a way, transported back to Calvary, or rather, Calvary is transported to us and we are present to the sacrifice of Christ. So the priest kisses the Altar because it represents Christ and the Cross on which He died. There is also a long tradition in the Church that when an Altar is constructed and consecrated by the Bishop, that there are relics of saints and martyrs enclosed with the altar and so the priest is also reverencing them. Why? Because it is on the very shoulders of our ancestors in faith that we are offering the sacrifice, and indeed it is the same sacrifice that they offered and gave their lives for. We read in the book of Apocalypse Chapter 6: 9. *"I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been killed for the word of God and for witnessing to it."*

The kissing doesn't stop there, oh no, there is more. Again you may have noticed that after the priest proclaims the Gospel he will hold up the book of the Gospels, or the Lectionary, which is the book that contains in three volumes all of the readings that we hear at mass and after he says: "THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.", he will then kiss the book. Why? Because as the document from Vatican II on the Liturgy (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*) says: *He [Christ] is present in His word, since it is He Himself who speaks when the holy scriptures are read in the Church.* (SC #7). That is also why we stand for the Gospel, because it is Jesus Himself who is speaking to us.

Did you know that the Church reveres the Scriptures to the same extent that it reveres the Eucharist? *"The Church has always venerated the divine scriptures as she venerated the Body of the Lord..."* (from the document of Vat. II on Divine Revelation).

In addition to all of that, there is, traditionally, still more kissing. The sign of peace, would traditionally have been a kiss. In 2 Cor.13:12 & Rom. 16:6. we read: *"greet each other with a Holy kiss...invoke the peace of one another with a Holy kiss..."*  
So you see, there really is an awful lot of kissing going on at mass.

087 6730300 or Conor on 086-7905654 to confirm your attendance at meeting. Ss. Mary & Laurence Church, Crookstown, TEL: 059 8623154. Email: [stlaurenceschurch@gmail.com](mailto:stlaurenceschurch@gmail.com)

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**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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**PARISH SECRETARIES**

BER MURPHY & TRISH HOLLIGAN - .

Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 10am - 4pm.

**FEAST DAY'S THIS WEEK**

MONDAY: THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED

VIRGIN MARY - *Memorial*

TUESDAY:

St Rose of Lima, St Eugene -

*Op. Memorial*

WEDNESDAY: St Bartholomew - *Feast*

THURSDAY: ST LOUIS, ST JOSEPH

CALASANZ - *Op. Memorial*

FRIDAY:

SATURDAY: St Monica - *Memorial*

*Memorial of Blessed Virgin Mary*

*Optional Memorial*

*Sometimes you forget just how awesome you are and how much GOD loves you...*

*This is your reminder!*