The Faith Communities of:









Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 3rd/4th 2022

MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

CROOKSTOWN 7PM - Eileen Hickey (A) Edward & Rosetta Kearney, Co. Derry (A)

BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM - No Intention

KILMEAD 10.30AM - Liam Tallon (M.M.), Anne & William Cannon (A).

MOONE 12 noon - Peter Moore - Irishtown (A) Annie Browne - Portersize (A)

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

MOONE TUESDAY 10AM - Returning in September

MASS OF APPRECIATION

The 8:30am Mass in Ballymount last Sunday was offered for the late Sheila Heydon-Hughes and Margaret Ryan as well as all those who have volunteered their time, talent and resources to the faith community in St Joseph's Church. Des Henry highlighted the great amount of often unseen work done by



Sheila and Margaret over the course of 5 decades. After Mass, 3 lovely Hydrangea shrubs were planted in honour of

Sheila, Margaret and the many, many other people down through the years. The church was looking resplendent having had some fresh planting, a fresh coat of paint on the perimeter wall and the grass cut. Following the planting of the shrubs by members of Heydon and Ryan families and by a member of the team on behalf of the community there were some lovely refreshments served. A huge thanks to all involved, gardeners,



Ballymount team, for what was a real community celebration. MAITH SIBH! in Additional photos are available on the of website in the Gallery section on the homepage.

CONGRATULATIONS to all of those who received their exam results on Friday last. We continue to keep them in our prayers as they begin this next stage of their life, be it work, university, apprenticeship or whatever GOD is calling them to. May they always

know the closeness of GOD to them. Tá comhghairdeas tuillte ag gach duine.

painters and caterers but especially the World Youth Day Lisbon Aug 1ST - 6TH Rallymount team for what was a real

MAITH SIBH! The Parishes of Athy, Narraghmore &

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Moone are looking to hear from young people who may like to experience the company of hundreds of thousands of other young people of faith from all over the world. If this

would be of interest to you, please contact Natasha on 087-6730300 or Conor on 086-7905654 for further information.

24 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration

Next Thursday, September 8th, the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Fr Francis will lead 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration which will include a mass for Healing and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please join us for some of it at a time that suits you best.

Full details are on the poster above, on the Parish website and social media.

FREE 7-WEEK ZOOM COURSE ON GROWING IN CHRISTIAN PRAYER

Bayside Alpha are running a free 7-week Zoom course on growing in Christian prayer, starting on Wednesday the 21st of September at 7.30pm. The course consists of a one hour weekly meeting on Zoom which includes a video presentation, a time for sharing for anyone who wishes to, and short Scriptures to reflect on at home.

The following themes are covered in the course: The purpose of prayer, How to pray with confidence, The pattern for prayer: The Our Father, Praying for a breakthrough, How to pray in a crisis, Why doesn't God always answer the first time I pray?

If you'd like to take part in the course please email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com

THE OLD SCHOOL IN CROOKSTOWN

After many years the KWETB have ceased using the old school in Crookstown. In a letter to Fr Liam they said: "We write to formally record the fact that as of August 25th the KWETB will no longer be in occupation of the Old School...We wish to thank the Crookstown Parish Community for a very successful few years delivering certified and uncertified courses and community supports in Crookstown FETC (Further Education Training Center). We enjoyed very good relationships during that period, with Sean Deay looking after community groups using the centre and Roy and Imelda from KWETB know a large number of residents of the Crookstown area benefited from the Healthcare, Business, ICT, horticulture and basic education courses that were delivered in the centre"

The parish finance committee met last week and one item on the agenda was to begin to look at the future of the Old School building, no decisions were taken.

MOONE TRACTOR RUN



Bishop Denis Nulty, of Kildare and Leighlin Diocese standing beside the tractor he hopes to win after buying a ticket at the Tullow Show. You can still get your tickets while supporting the Moone Church

Restoration fund, from Giles Keppel on 087-2439269.

MONTHLY MATT TALBOT MASS

The monthly Matt Talbot freedom from addiction Mass will take place in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott Street, at 7:30pm on **Monday, September 5**th. At this Mass we pray for all those battling addiction, their families and all those affected by addiction, we also pray specifically for all those enrolled in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society. We welcome you to join us at this Mass to pray for yourself or somebody you may know who has an

CATECHETICAL CORNER - "YOU'D THINK HE'D KNOW THE PRAYERS BY NOW!"

Some years my brother asked me; "Why does the priest always use the book" (meaning the Missal - the missal is the book that the priest uses on the altar to read the prayers of the mass) he said: "you'd think he'd know the prayers by now, he's saying mass everyday and the prayers are always the same?" Are they?

The short answer is no, they are not always the same, in fact they are rarely the same.

The Entrance Antiphon - which is replaced by the entrance hymn or just left out altogether, the Collect *[sometimes wrongly called the Opening prayer]*, the Prayer over the Gifts/Offerings, the Prayer after Communion and the Communion antiphon, are all different every week, to say nothing of the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer, of which there are, for normal use, over 50 (the preface is the prayer that begins just after the offertory: The Lord, be with you...Lift up your hearts... and concludes with the Holy, Holy, Holy) the Eucharistic Prayer begins just after the Holy, Holy, Holy, and there are 4 normal Eucharistic Prayers but with alternative options for various occasions. Then of course there are saints feast days, other Holy days, feasts of our Lady, feasts of our Lord; Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, Pentecost all of which have their own prayers. This doesn't include Votive masses, which is a mass offered for a special intention, that a priest is free to offer on a weekday in Ordinary Time that is different to the mass of the day, nor does it include masses for the dead or weddings etc... So you see, the priest really needs the book, the Missal. Listen closely and try to hear and pray the prayers of the mass, they are quite beautiful but unfortunately, not usually printed in the missalette. The priest will begin some prayers by saying: 'Let us pray.' By saying this he is calling us to a moment of reflection where we are to take time to call to mind where we are, what we are doing and why we are here. It is said just before the Collect, which concludes the Entrance Rites at the start of Mass and comes in just before the readings (Liturgy of the Word) and again at the post communion prayer when hopefully we have been praying silently in thanks for having received Holy Communion. The 'Let us pray' is calling us together, calling us to attention to focus and draw our minds back, the priest, who is the president of the assembly, draws together all of the private prayers that we have been offering, he draws together all of the prayers and intentions that we come to mass with and offers them all to GOD in one prayer that collects them together. We are called together again at the preparation of the gifts/offerings, the Offertory, but it is slightly different. The priest doesn't say 'Let us pray' but rather just 'Pray brothers and sisters..' This calling together is to remind us that we are not here alone, that ultimately mass is not an act of private devotion but rather a gathering of the Church, the Body of Christ, as we come together to worship GOD, which is the primary focus of Mass.

addiction. To enroll someone in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society please email vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com.

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:

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Priests are like planes.
When one crashes it is all over the news, but we never hear about the thousands that keep flying for years.
Please pray daily for our priests, the Church cannot survive without them.

FEAST DAY'S THIS WEEK

Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday:

THURSDAY: THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

FRIDAY:

SATURDAY: St Peter Claver - Op. Memorial Memorial of Blessed Virgin Mary Optional Memorial