

Parish Bulletin - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 29th/30th 2022

MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

CROOKSTOWN 7PM - Geraldine Carroll (A) Esther Lawlor - Battlemount $(1^{st} A)$ Barbara Joyce - Connemara, Galway (A)

BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM - No Intention

KILMEAD 10.30AM - Frances O'Brien - late of Fontstown (58th A).

MOONE 12 noon - Daniel Murphy (1st A), Members of the Moone Tractor Run Committee and all who supported the Tractor Run and Raffle.

CROOKSTOWN: Wed & Fri 9.30am -Donor's Intentions. MOONE TUESDAY 10AM - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion *********

MASS TIMES FOR THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

Monday, October 31st -Crookstown - 7pm Tuesday, November 1st -Athy 9:30am Moone - 11am Athy - 7:30pm

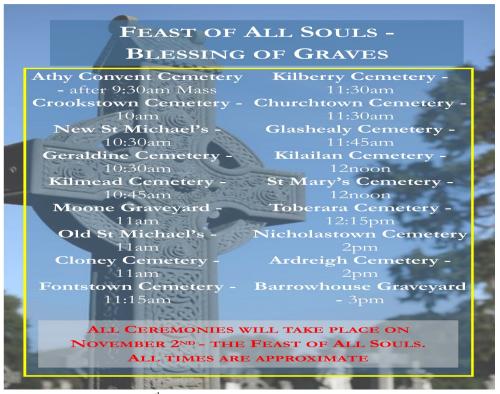
LIVING WITH ADDICTION?

In the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean MacDermott Street, Dublin, There is mass on the first Monday of every month at 7.30pm for those suffering from addiction and their families. The next mass is November 7th. Everyone is welcome especially those living with addiction either personally or a family member. **********

NOVEMBER MASSES

November Masses for our deceased parishioners will take place as follows: ST MICHAEL'S, ATHY Friday, November 18th at 7:30pm Ss Mary & Laurence, Crookstown Monday, November 21st at 7:30pm ST ITA'S, KILMEAD Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:30pm

MOST BLESSED TRINITY, MOONE



Friday, November 25th at 7:30pm

MASS FOR FRANK MCNULTY

Many thanks to those who turned out to show their appreciations to Frank for all he did, as Chairperson of the Board of Management, for Kilmead school. It was a fitting tribute. Frank was presented with a piece of art created by the pupils and staff of Scoil íde Naofa, called the Tree of Learning. It featured a tree, rooted in school books the leaves of which were formed by the thumb prints of pupils from the school. Frank is the epitome of life long learning, in his 9th Regretfully, our parish office is temporarily decade Frank has returned to Trinity College closed. We hope to have it to study Irish History. We wish Frank well in his 'retirement'.

Please Note that there will NOT be a Parish Bulletin or Children's Bulletin next week.

LOOKING FOR A NEW HOBBY?

Playing bridge is great way to meet people and have some fun. If you don't know the



difference between a Bid and a Contract but would like to learn more, there are bridge lessons for beginners. For more information etc... please phone Miriam on O87 -9370168. *****

OFFICE TEMPORARILY CLOSED

Tuesday reopen on November 1st or Wednesday We are November 2nd. We apologise TEMPORARILY for the inconvenience that this has caused to so many.



MERCY CENTRE ADVENT RETREAT

Three-day retreat, Dec $1^{st} - 4^{th}$ will provide participants with space to step back from the day-to-day and focus on preparation for

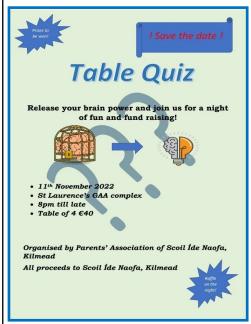
Christmas. We will explore the Gospel messages of the Advent season and the journey of the Magi. Residential: €385. Nonresidential: €185. To express your interest or

to learn more, please email:

programmes@mercyinternational.ie.

PARISH PROGRAMME FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

We are delighted to say that after a Covid enforced absence our preparation masses for Holy Communion will start again on the weekend of November 12th & 13th with the Enrolment mass for the girls and boys preparing for Holy Communion and Reconciliation & Penance. We look forward to welcoming all of the boys and girls, with thir families to mass that weekend. Please keep them all in your prayers during this special year. The dates for all the masses will be available shortly on our website and social media.



ST MARY'S PRO-CATHEDRAL

is delighted to announce the return of the **Remembering** concert on **Sunday**, **Nov** 6^{th} , **at 3pm** in the Pro-Cathedral. The last Remembrance Day concert took place in 2019 and the choir would like to invite everybody to come together to remember all of those who have died since then.

The Palestrina Choir, along with St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir, the Dublin Bach Singers, members of Marlborough Baroque, organist Aleksandr Nisse and conducted by Blánaid Murphy, will perform Fauré's Requiem, Handel's Funeral Anthem for Queen Caroline and a selection from Purcell. Tickets are available at the Parish Office or

on Eventbrite and cost €20.

Mass Times in Narraghmore & Moone St Joseph's Ballymount:

CATECHETICAL CORNER - "THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH"

Every year at the start of November we celebrate two great feast days, which remind us that those who have gone before us, those marked with the sign of faith, are very close to us. In our Celtic heritage our ancestors spoke about *'Caol aiteanna'* (thin places). This time of year, the Celtic time of Samhain, was one of those thin places or times, when the veil between Heaven and earth was thin and our loved ones are very close to us.

Halloween gets it's name from the old English word for holy, namely 'Hallow' as in All Hallows (saints) College, as in 'Hallowed (Holy) be Thy name...'. Halloween is the evening before, or the vigil of, All Hallows (Saints) Day.

On All Saints Day, November 1st, we remember and venerate those who have gone before us and are, we believe, in the presence of GOD. They are those who have lived their faith in an heroic manner and now are in the eternal presence of GOD. Those who are in the presence of GOD, Heaven, are what we call the Church Triumphant, they have no need of our prayers, in fact we venerate and honour them, we try to copy their example and in turn, being in the presence of GOD, they pray for us. We pray through them to GOD, and they echo our prayers with great love in the presence of GOD.

The day after All Saints we remember those who have died and may not yet be in the presence of GOD. They are those who are awaiting entry into Heaven. St Catherine of Sienna said of these souls: "that there is great joy as they know that their salvation is assured". These are the souls in purgatory, the Holy Souls as we call them. Purgatory is often mis-understood as being a place of punishment. Purgatory is better understood as a place of final cleansing, for as scripture says: "Nothing unclean shall ever enter Heaven." (Rev.21:27). Why do we need to be purified? When we go to confession and receive absolution all of our sins are forgiven, that means all of our sins...from the time we are old enough to understand right from wrong, right up to the present time – no questions asked! However, sin leaves a mark on our soul, kind of like dirty footprints across a clean floor. Absolution does not wipe away these dirty footprints hence the need for final cleansing before we can enter Heaven. We can and do pray for the souls in purgatory so as to speed up the cleansing process. The Souls in purgatory are what we call the Church Suffering.

When we use the word Catholic, which means universal, we are talking about this understanding of the Church, namely the Church Triumphant, the Church Suffering and us, the church still active on earth, the Church Militant. We are the one Church; in Heaven, in Purgatory and on earth. We still pray for an help each other and most importantly of all, we are still united in our Worship of GOD. The whole Church is present at every mass, united in worshipping GOD. This is the Universal Church.

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: FR LIAM RIGNEY PP - 087-2607377; Email: liam.rigney@dublindiocese.ie FR TIM HANNON CC - 059-863 0704 FR FRANCIS MCCARTHY CC -087-6978143 CONOR MCCANN - Parish Pastoral Worker - Narraghmore & Moone

086-7905654. Email: conor.mccann@dublindiocese.ie NATASHA GEOGHEGAN - Parish Pastoral Worker - Athy & Barrowhouse 087-6730300. Email: natashsa.curran@dublindiocese.ie

PARISH SECRETARIES

BER MURPHY & TRISH HOLLIGAN - . Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 10am - 4pm. Ss. Mary & Laurence Church, Crookstown, TEL: 059 8623154. *Email:* stlaurenceschurch@gmail.com A saint was asked -"What is anger?" He gave a beautiful answer "It is a punishment we give to ourself, for somebody else's mistake."

THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday: Bl. Dominic Collins - Op Mem Tuesday: Solemnity of All Saints Wednesday: Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed - All Souls Day Thursday: St Malachy- Op. Mem Friday: St Charles Borremeo - Mem Saturday: St Martin De Porres -Optional Memorial Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Optional Memorial