

Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

The Faith Communities of:



Ballymount. Crookstown. Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - Fifth Sunday of Easter- May 6th/7th 2023

MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

CROOKSTOWN 7PM - Kathleen Ann Leigh - Baronsland (Birthday Rem.)
Michael Walsh (1st A)
Fr. Joseph (Joe) Doran (1st A)
Birdie Martin (1st A)
Patrick Buggle - Sallins (A)

BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM - Fr. Joseph (Joe) Doran (1st A)

KILMEAD 10.30AM - P.J. Keegan - Booleigh (A)
Fr. Joseph (Joe) Doran (1st A)

MOONE 12 noon - Marie Sayed Martin - Back Moone (A), Larry & Johanna O'Keeffe (A), Thomas Dunne (A), William (Bill) Kenny (A), Tom Conway (A), Julia & Tony Murphy and their sons Stephen, Gerard and Michael (A), James & Bridget Moran (A) Eugene Byrne (A)

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

MOONE TUESDAY 10AM - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

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We are delighted to announce the



launch of our simple, safe & secure online donation system through our website using a recognised and secure service provider, having resolved the remaining technical difficulties.

As you may know, during the pandemic shutdowns, financial support of parishes suffered a severe decline, as much as an 80% fall off, and has not recovered to pre-pandemic levels, leaving many parishes struggling just to keep the lights on. You can now donate directly to the parish. You can also contribute your weekly Mass collection

offerings, the first and second collections at mass, as well as all special diocesan collections, such as the Lay Ministry collection.

The first and second collections at mass, as well as Christmas, Easter and Harvest Dues, are diocesan collections and none of the funds remain in the parish. Your continued support of your church is the only thing that helps to keep the lights on. Please be as generous as you can afford to be. <https://www.narraghmoreandmoone.ie/donate-to-our-parish/>

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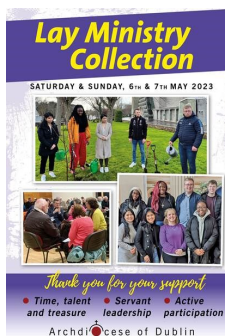
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LAY MINISTRY COLLECTION



The Lay Ministry Collection, for the support and training of lay ministry across the Archdiocese, will take place **THIS WEEKEND MAY 6th/7th**. This collection will replace the usual Share collection. You can contribute to this collection online. Archbishop Farrell has

sent a letter to all parishes ahead of the collection here are some extracts from the letter:

"As we take up the Lay Ministry Collection, I am delighted to let you know of new developments. The first development is that the Archdiocese now has two Faith Development Coordinators, working in the Office of Mission & Ministry. One of these roles focuses entirely on Adult Faith Development and supporting Parish Pastoral Councils; ... Another development is the support structure that is available to build new leadership potential in every parish and partnership of parishes through the diocesan Servant Leadership programme. This programme is aimed at building new capacities in our parishes for lay people to take a lead in a variety of team ministries. Emerging out of Building Hope, this initiative encourages lay people to hear a fresh call to actively serve in liturgical, faith-based and social outreach ministries...

I ask you to contribute generously to the Lay Ministry Collection this Sunday, knowing that you are playing your part in building this new future for all, in new ways enabling the word of God to spread
Wishing you every blessing,
+Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin "



A BIG DAY FOR OUR PARISH.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Jackson Bell, Daniel Cooney, Zoe Flood Kerrigan, Peter Kelly, Kaitlin Keogh, Cormac Meany, Kayleigh Cooke, Demi Nolan, Eoghan O' Driscoll, Seán Quinn, Annie Ryan, Isaac Sorohan, Fionn van

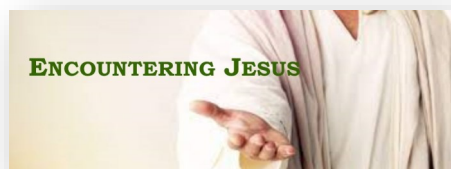
Mierlo, Maison Whyte, who received Holy Communion for the first time on Saturday, May 6th in St Ita's Church in Kilmead from Fr Liam.

The girls and boys had all worked really hard in getting ready for their big day. Well done to Ms Aisling Kelly, the class teacher, for her hard work in preparing them. It was a truly memorable day.

Please remember them in your prayers. Please too, remember the girls and boys of Crookstown who will receive Holy Communion for the first time next Friday and Moone who will also be receiving Jesus for the first time a week later.

SUPERSLIDE STAIR LIFT

Acorn Superslide 130 Stair Lift, very good condition, suitable for straight stairs, got very little use. Enquiries 087 2401945. Proceeds from the sale will go towards the Moone Road Run.



"COME TO ME...AND YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOUL..."

Each Wednesday after Mass and the Rosary, approximately 10.15am, in Crookstown Church you are invited to join us for a time of guided meditation. You can come along for mass or just for the meditation, whatever suits you.

This is a time of gentleness, a time of peace and quiet just for you to encounter Jesus in your own way.

Why not give it a try, what have you got to lose?

LET'S GATHER AGAIN -

An Evening of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, will take place on **Monday, May 29**, at 8pm in our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road.

This is not a 'training' evening for new ministers but an opportunity to gather, reflect, pray and sing in the light of this special calling.

The Dublin Diocesan Music Group will lead the music. It is hoped that the evening will nourish and deepen our appreciation of the gift of the Eucharist while affirming this aspect of the baptismal vocation to which so many have been called throughout the Diocese. OLV Church has a webcam too. Spread the word about the date change. No need to book. All welcome. Why not come along?

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Good and gracious God,
you have called us through baptism to discipleship with your Son, Jesus Christ,
and you have sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to all peoples.

CATECHETICAL CORNER - "THE STORY OF THE TRUE CROSS."

A little bit of Catholic Trivia.

In addition to being the feast of the apostles Ss Philip and James, last Wednesday, May 3rd is the traditional feast of the finding of the Holy Cross in 326 by Constantine the Great's mother, Saint Helen. The tradition tells the story: "The Roman pagans, who were dominated by an aversion to Christianity, had done what they could to conceal the place where our Saviour was buried by heaping on it a great quantity of stone and rubbish, and building there a temple to Venus. They had also erected a statue of Jupiter in the place where Our Lord rose from the dead. The Empress, St Helen, therefore ordered the profane buildings to be pulled down, the statue broken in pieces, and the rubbish removed. And then, upon digging to a great depth, the holy sepulchre was uncovered.

Near it were found three crosses and the nails which had pierced Our Saviour's body, with the title which had been fixed to His cross. By this discovery they knew that one of those three crosses was the one they sought, and that the others belonged to the two criminals between whom Our Saviour had been crucified. But because the title was found separate from the cross, it was difficult to distinguish which of the three crosses was the one on which our Redeemer consummated His sacrifice for the salvation of the world. In this perplexity the holy Bishop of Jerusalem Macarius, knowing that one of the principal ladies of the city lay ill and at the point of death, suggested to the Empress to have the three crosses carried to the sick person, not doubting that God would reveal which one was the cross they sought. Saint Macarius prayed that God would have regard to their faith, and then he applied the crosses, one after another, to the patient. She was immediately and perfectly cured by the touch of the True Cross, after the others had been tried without effect." - *Little Pictorial Lives of the Saints*, by John Gilmary Shea

We pray that you grant more priests and religious to build up your Church here within the Archdiocese of Dublin.

Inspire men and women to give themselves totally to the work of Christ and His Church.

Together may we seek the face of Christ
In the poor, the marginalised, the forgotten,
that they may know the wonders of your love.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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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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. Amen

St John Chrysostom