

# Parish Bulletin - Sixth Sunday of Caster-May 13th/14th 2023

**MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY** 

**CROOKSTOWN 7PM** - Marianne Lawlor, James & Elizabeth Cassidy, Ciss & Jim Cardiff, Ned Byrne - Bullhill (A), Pauline Reid (1st A), Felix (Fay) Lawler -Crookstown (A), Stephen (Stevie) Wright (2<sup>nd</sup> A), John Joe Walsh (M.M.), Jim Hannon  $(5^{\text{th}} \text{ A})$ , Maureen & Eugene Craig (A), Bridie Byrne Curran (A). Recently deceased: Mary Pelin

**BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM** - Recently deceased: Mary Pelin

KILMEAD 10.30AM - Beth O'Shea (A) Recently deceased: Mary Pelin

MOONE 12 noon - Mick Byrne (2nd A) Elizabeth (Lil) Carton - Belan (A), Richard Mahon (A) and his Grandparents Richard &, Bridget Behan (A), M. J. Kane (A) and his Grandparents Mike & Betty Kane, Owen Kelly (A), Kathy Cullen (A) CROOKSTOWN: Wed & Fri 9.30am -Donor's Intentions.

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

## PARISHES OF MOONE, **NARRAGHMORE & ATHY**

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2023 Led by Fr Francis McCarthy 28 July 2023

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# **CEMETERY MASSES 2023**

PARISHES OF ATHY, NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

**Crookstown Graveyard -**Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm

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Kilmead Graveyard -Sunday June 4th at 10:30am

St Michael's New Cemetery -Wednesday June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

Churchtown Cemetery -Wednesday June 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

Kilberry Cemetery -Friday June 16th at 7:30pm

Moone Graveyard -Sunday June 18th at 12 noon

**Barrowhouse Graveyard -**Sunday June 18th at 9am

St Michael's Old Cemetery -Wednesday June 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30pm

PA 47 years and an

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN CROOKSTOWN **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

Casey Haughan, Sorcha Seery, Ella-Rose O'Shea-Brown, Brig Doyle, Kaleb Lennon, Darragh O'Brien, Maidhe McGuinness, Anna Mahon, Summer Robinson, Jack Byrne, Freddie Reid, Braxton Cary, Mannix O'Hare Please remember them in your prayers. Reece Donovan/Byrne, Byrne, 

Laurence, Crookstown from Fr Francis.

The girls and boys had all worked really hard in getting ready for their big day. Well done to Ms Helen Mahon, the class teacher, for her hard work in preparing them, while also preparing and leading the school choir. It was a wonderful celebration.

Jones, Aaron Keogh, Jane Byrne, Kym Please too, remember the girls and boys of Cardiff, Kylie Evans O'Hare, Jack O Connor, Scoil Colmcille, Moone who will receive Hannah O Toole, Milita Mitrauskaite, Noah Holy Communion for the first time next Eddie Friday.

Holy Communion for the first time on condition, suitable for straight stairs, got very Friday, May 12th in the Church of Ss Mary & 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 and rosary or just for the meditation. Why not give it a try, what have you got to lose? . \*\*\*\*\*

#### NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT



You are warmly invited to join with every parish in the diocese in a Novena to the Holy Spirit – a period of prayer, reflection & planning for the renewal of the Church in the Arch-diocese of Dublin. The Novena will take place in the nine days from 21st to

29th May beginning on the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, through Pentecost and continuing to the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church. Prayer Cards are available at the entrance to the church and on our Parish Website. Come, Holy Spirit. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### **GRANDPARENTS' DAY**



<sup>7</sup> On Friday May 20th Scoil Íde Naofa will celebrate Grandparents. The day will begin with a prayer service in the Church at 10am. and

then carry on in the school afterwards. All grandparents are invited to join in this day of celebration.

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#### 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 MASS TIMES IN NARRAGHMORE & MOONE gift of the Eucharist while affirming this aspect of the baptismal vocation to which so many have been called. OLV Church has a webcam too. Spread the word about the date change. No need to book. All welcome. Why not come along?

#### CATECHETICAL CORNER - "FAKE IT TILL YOU MAKE IT."

The changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace or indeed at the Tomb of the Unknown Solider in Washington DC cannot fail to impress. The solemnity and ritual with which the soldiers guarding the tomb carry out their duties speaks loudly as to the respect that they have for the remains of the 3 unidentified soldiers buried there. If you have never seen it, it is worth the few minutes of your time that it takes to watch, you will find it on You Tube or Google...

Our actions matter. Can you imagine the changing of the guard going something like this: One soldier comes out from the guard house and casually says to the other; "OK, I'm on now, see you later." No solemnity, no ritual, no respect.

How many of us have said, or thought, that mass is boring? How often do we find mass a spectator event, where we sit back and are 'done to' by the priest or other ministers? Perhaps we have thought, "I'd love to get more out of this, but I just don't...no matter how much I want to." That's where our actions can help.

We worship the Lord with our whole being; with our hands, feet and bodies as well as with our eyes, ears and mouth. Because of their unspoken power, gestures and posture in the liturgy deserve as much care as the words we use. These postures both express and foster the spiritual attitude of those taking part. There are many actions and gestures that we do together during Mass: we make the Sign of the Cross, we stand to pray, sit to listen, bow to show reverence, we move forward to present gifts etc...

All of these actions express how we feel about what we are participating in. Imagine being at a sporting event and showing no excitement when your [team] scored, others around you might wonder why you are there at all. But sometimes we just don't 'feel it'. Sometimes, we are distracted or even indifferent to where we are or what is happening, we may even be bored. That is where our actions, gestures and postures can help. Kneeling, standing, sitting or bowing at the appropriate time, as well as doing something that is not usual for most of us, like joining our hands in prayer, can all help to foster a sense of respect, reverence and solemnity for where we are and what we are doing - worshipping GOD.

Sometimes, our heart just isn't in it, sometimes it is hard and possibly dull or even boring, but that's when we have to 'fake it till we make it.' We go through the physical motions until our heart engages and our spirit is lifted. "your body is a temple where the Holy Spirit lives...So use your body to honour God..." (1 Cor. 6:19-20)

**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. 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.

**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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