

Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

The Faith Communities of:



Ballymount. Crookstown. Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - Sunday 12th November 2023 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Recently deceased:

Kathleen Cranny RIP
Elizabeth Hughes RIP

CROOKSTOWN 7PM -

Henry Ghent (A)
Mrs. Mary Mackey - Ballitore (21st A)
Josie Connolly (nee Brennan) (A)
Eugene Farrell (A)
Ned Cullen (A)
James Gorman (A) (Calverstown)

KILMEAD 10.30AM -

Bridget & Tom Dempsey (A)
Johanna Bucke (7th A)
Henry Bucke (1st A)
Roseanne Donovan (A)

MOONE 12:00NOON

Teresa Hayes (nee Martin) (A)

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

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.

MOST BLESSED TRINITY MOONE:

Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

To have your Mass intention included in the newsletter it must be received before Wednesday at 4pm. Intentions booked after this will still be included in the Mass and put on our parish website but will not be in the newsletter.

Annual Mass of Remembrance for Deceased Parishioners

- St. Michael's Church, Athy,
Thursday 16th Nov. @7:30pm
- Ss. Mary & Laurence Church,
Crookstown, Monday 20th Nov.
@7:30pm
- St. Ita's Church Kilmead,
Wednesday 22nd Nov.
@7:30pm
- Church of the Most Blessed Holy
Trinity, Moone, Wednesday
29th Nov. @7:30pm .



Annual Share Appeal

Share Appeal Sunday takes place on the weekend of November 11/12, highlighting the important work that is funded by the weekly collection. Share Newsletter is available at the back of the Church or can be found in the notices of our parish website. www.narraghmoreandmoone.ie



Alpha 5-week Zoom course on spiritual conversion with Fr Dave Pivonka

Bayside Alpha are running a new free 5-week Zoom course called *Metanoia*. Metanoia is a transformation of the heart, a spiritual conversion. The videos contain half hour episodes shot in locations throughout the Holy Land and there is an opportunity to share for anyone who wishes to. The course starts on Tuesday the 21st of November 2023 at 7.30pm and is hosted by Franciscan Friar, Fr Dave Pivonka, and other speakers.

If you would like to take part please email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com

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CATECHETICAL CORNER – “OH SWEET MYSTERY OF...”

For many, if not most Catholics, the primary and perhaps only point of contact with our faith is Holy Mass. But how many of us actually understand what happens when we come to mass? Mass is so rich and divers in it's meaning, while at the same time, being a great mystery beyond understanding. Over the course of the next few weeks we will touch on some aspects of the Mass as we try to deepen our understanding, in as much as we are able, of this inexhaustible treasure, while never losing sight of the fact that it should invoke in us a sense of wonder and awe, if for no other reason than we are in GOD's presence.

We will begin by looking at mass as an act of worship. Just as the priest is finishing preparing the gifts of bread and wine he invites the people to prayer: *“Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.”* The people respond with: *“May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands to the praise and glory of His name. For our good and the good of His holy church.”* That short prayer sums up why we come to mass, to offer sacrifice to GOD, to praise and glorify His name. Why? For our good and the good of the Church.

The document on Sacred Liturgy - Sacrosanctum Concillium (SC) - from the Second Vatican Council points out that: *“the liturgy of the word and the Eucharistic liturgy, are so closely connected with each other that they form but one single act of worship.”* (SC 56). The mass, when properly understood is not offered by [man] at all. It is the Divine Liturgy, offered by Jesus to the Father. The priest acts as a ‘stand in’ almost for the High Priest who is Jesus. The priest, as the old Latin expression is: *“In persona Christi, capita. - In the person of Christ of the Head”*. There is only one High Priest, Jesus (*Heb 4:14 & Rev. 5:6*). Ordained priests share in HIS priesthood. Christ offered Himself to the Father as a ‘living sacrifice’. It is this living sacrifice that is the ultimate act of worship. When we come to mass we join in this Act of Worship. We are present at the sacrificial act of worship and we participate in it, in as much as those who stood at the foot of the cross. Coming to mass is not about us, it is about GOD, it is an act of worship to GOD. As we shall see in the coming weeks, when we come to mass we are in fact getting a glimpse into heaven. We are standing at the heavenly banquet, and joining with all hosts of Heaven in worshipping GOD. *“The Eucharist...Is the culmination both of GOD's action sanctifying the world in Christ and of the worship [people] offer to Christ and through HIM to the Father in the Holy Spirit.” CCC1325*

To Do: Reflect on this question: ‘What does the mass mean to me?’

Talks on the Mystics.

The Church of St Francis Xavier (Gardiner Street Parish) would like to invite you to join us for Talks on the Mystics. Starting on **November 4th - December 16th 10am to 12.15pm**, in the John Sullivan Room. Led by Fr Brendan Comerford SJ., come and be inspired! No registration required

Prayer of the week - St. Laurence O'Toole

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of peace, You were in the middle of family and political conflict from your earliest days. Give the gift of peace and hope to all who experience the trauma of division in families, in communities and among nations.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of prayer, you recognized the call to serve the Lord in a particular way at Glendalough. Give the gift of perseverance to all who are discerning their Christian vocation at this time.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of faith, you had the openness to accept a position of leadership in your community at an early age. Bless our young people with a spirit of generosity to offer themselves in the service of the Gospel.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of prayer, You inspired people by your commitment to the spiritual life and the recitation of the Prayer of the Church. Fill us with that desire to pray in communion with each other throughout each day.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of faith, you opened your heart and your doors to those who were poor. Increase our awareness of those in need and inspire us to act with justice and charity at all times.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of prayer, you were respected for your commitment to your Church and to your country. Grant us the grace to live in this world while always reflecting the eternal values of the kingdom.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of peace, you gave your last ounce of energy in the cause of peace. Give us the gift of tirelessness as we try to live as instruments of Christ's peace, love and tolerance.

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