









Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

# Parish Bulletin - 4th Sunday of Easter - 21st April 2024

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## WALKING THE CAMINO INGLES

"Have you ever dreamed of walking the Camino. Join the MSC Missions as we walk the shaded lanes and valleys of the Camino Ingles walking from Ferrol to Santiago in Northern Spain. temperature in this part of northern Spain in July is perfect for walking, like a balmy summer day in Ireland. For more details of this fundraising pilgrimage ring Mary at 021 454 6691 or email mary,morrish@mscmissions.ie



#### TROCAIRE BOXES—RETURN

FOR THOSE WHO STILL MAY HAVE TROCAIRE BOXES THEY CAN BE RETURNED TO THE PARISH OFFICE OR CHURCH SACRISTY. THANK YOU.



# St. Laurence's NS School **Marathon Relay**

On 24<sup>th</sup> April, the girls and boys of St Laurence's NS will participate in Younger the Fitter School Marathon Relay fundraising event. Our School will run the distance of a marathon by combining the efforts of every child in the school running/walking a few hundred meters each. Money raised will go playground wards new equipment. Donations can be made at www.idonate.ie/event/ stlaurencesnscrookstownmarathonrelay or to any student at the school.



## INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

#### **CROOKSTOWN 7PM**

William Leigh (A) John Corcoran (A) Jack and Molly Dunne (A) Pamela Clerkin (A) Alice Dowling (Birthday remembrance)

# Kilmead 10:30am

Patrick Keegan (A)

MOONE 12:00NOON

Michael Whelan (1st A)

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**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 .Moone Tuesday 10am - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion **MOST BLESSED TRINITY MOONE:** 

Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

#### CATECHETICAL CORNER

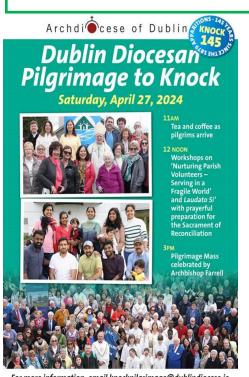


Today we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday. A day of prayer within the Universal Church for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. I find that language difficult, Praying for Vocations. It is not because I have any difficulty in praying for Vocations, but I feel that it is not Vocations that we need to pray for, rather we should pray that young men will respond to the constant call that GOD issues to 'tend my sheep'. GOD has promised that "I will give shepherds after My own heart [in the final time], who will feed you with knowledge and understanding and judgment." Jer.3:15. So you see, GOD has promised us shepherds, GOD has promised that HE will always call men to shepherd HIS flock and GOD keeps HIS promises. Yet the question remains: 'Where are they?' The only answer that seems to make sense is that, although GOD is calling, people are not responding. So today, as well as praying for Vocations, let us also pray that people will hear that call, that 'Vocare' the Latin word meaning a summons or a call or perhaps an invitation, to be a shepherd after the heart of GOD, to be willing to lay down their life for the flock. It is

worth noting that when a man is to be ordained, just before the ordaining bishop lays hands on him, he, the man to be ordained, lies down, or prostrates himself, in a symbolic act of dying to self in the service of others. A richly symbolic gesture indicating that the shepherd is willing to lay down his life for the Lord's flock, that he is not merely a hired man but a true shepherd. Indeed, this same symbolic gesture is repeated by the priest on Good Friday, uniting his sacrifice with that of Christ. "Father, inspire in those whom YOU summon a generosity of heart to respond to YOUR invitation to look after YOUR sheep."

# Saint of the Week - St. Mark

O Glorious St Mark, through the grace of God our Father, you became a great Evangelist, preaching the Good News of Christ. May you help us to know Him well, so that we may faithfully live our lies as followers of Christ.



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# PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Good and gracious God, you have called us through bptism 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.

