

# The Faith Communities of:









# Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

# Parish Bulletin - 5th Sunday of Easter - 28th April 2024

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The Laudato Si' Award is for youth and young adults who want to live out their Christian calling to protect and care for God's Creation. The award builds from bronze to silver to gold level and can be completed in 3 consecutive years or when the time is right. It integrates and connects young people with the parish community and wider Diocesan family to work together to create an environment of care and protection in parishes.

Zoom Information Session for Parishes Monday 20th May 7:30pm - 9pm

Register Online at www.missionministry.ie

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### First Reconciliation

Congratulations to the boys and girls from St. Laurence's National School, Crookstown, St. Colmcille National School, Moone and Scoil Ide Naofa, Kilmead, who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this week. We pray for them as they continue their preparation for their First Holy Communion in May.



### **TROCAIRE BOXES—RETURN**

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



### **INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

### **CROOKSTOWN 7PM**

Declan King (A)

Peg and Barney Deay - Spratstown (A) Bill Deay & Sr Mary Winnifred Deay Teresa Leigh (A) & Christine Leigh (A) Aidan Carroll (A) Raymond Callaghan (A)

### BALLYMOUNT 8.30AM -

Maisie Dowling - Kilgowan (A)

### Kilmead 10:30am

Johnny and Danny Whelan-Booleigh(A) P.J. Keegan - Booleigh (A) Martin Miley (20<sup>th</sup> A) James Breen (Snr) - Calverstown (A)

### MOONE 12:00NOON

Mary (Moll) O'Toole - Timolin Road (1<sup>st</sup> A) Sally Dowling (M. M.) Thomas Dunne - Timolin (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 - The Story of the True Cross."** A little bit of Catholic Trivia.

Friday the 3rd May, is the feast of the apostles Ss. Philip and James, but is also 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

# a SAINT PHILIP TO MARKET

## Saints of the Week - St. Philip & St. James

O God, who gladden us each year with the feast day of the Apostles Philip and James, grant us, through their prayers, share in the Passion and Resurrection of Your Only Begotten Son, so that we may merit to behold You for eternity. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



### 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

### 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.

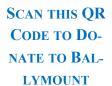
We pray that you grant more priests
And religious to build up your Church
here within the Archdiocese of
Dublin.

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.

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