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Ballymount. Crookstown. Kilmead & Moone

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MASS TIMES

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

MASS TIMES IN NARRAGHTMORE & 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

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MOST BLESSED TRINITY MOONE:
 Sunday 12noon. Holy Day: 11am

NARRAGHTMORE, ATHY & MOONE

Tridium of Masses for the Lourdes Pilgrimage. The First, in Athy on the 14th of May @ 7:30pm, (focusing on Youth especially those doing exams), The Second in Crookstown on the 15th May @ 7:30 pm (focusing on the Sick, with the anointing of the sick) and The Third on 16th of May in Moone on the 16th May @ 7:30 pm (Focusing on Pilgrims of hope in this Jubilee Year) .



Auction in Aid of Athy Parish

Church Sunday 11th May 2025 at 2:15pm in Athy GAA Clubhouse.
 Viewing from 10:00am. All clean saleable items greatly appreciated, including unwanted gifts, furniture, household goods, china, bric - a - brac, gift vouchers, food hampers, bottles of wine etc.
 all items can be left in the clubhouse on Friday May 9th 6:30pm - 9:30pm and Saturday May 10th 10am - 1pm. For further information please contact Leon on 0868433999 or Fiona on 0874180176

INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Paul Jones
 Gerald Dunne

CROOKSTOWN 7PM

Kathleen Ann Leigh -
 Baronsland (Birthday Rem)
 Paddy Foley - Back Moone (A)
 Michael Jones (A)
 John Corcoran (A)
 Jack & Mollie Dunne
 Christopher (Chris) Kelly (M.M.)
 Michael Walsh (3rd A)
 Raymond Callaghan (A)
 William Fleming - Grangecon (3rd A)
 Joseph Dowling (Snr) - Ballybarney (A)
 Patrick Buggle - Sallins (A)
 Paddy O'Dwyer (Birthday Rem)

Kilmead 10:30am

P. J. Keegan (A)

MOONE 12:00NOON

Marie Martin-Sayed (A)
 William (Bill) Kenny (A)
 Anna O'Toole (M.M.)

GOLDEN JUBILEE MONSIGNOR PHELM

ROWLAND: On Sunday 25 May Monsignor Phelim Rowland will celebrate Mass in Ballymount Church at 1130am to commemorate his Ordination 50 years ago. Monsignor Phelim was born in London but his mother Nancy was a Dowling from Ballybarney. He spent all his summer holidays with his Grandparents James and Agnes Dowling and celebrated one of his first Masses in Ballymount Church. On 25 May he will be joined by family members, and anyone who may remember him is most welcome to attend.

Prayer for Cardinals
Heavenly Father, we pray in union with the whole Church for the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Cardinals. May the Princes of the Church listen attentively to Your Spirit during the conclave.

Almighty God, we pray that the conclave brings us a Pope who pleases You by guiding Your Church to grow in faithfulness to You. We pray together with the intercession of our Mother Mary and all the Saints. Please Lord, protect and guide your Church during this time of transition.
Amen.

CATECHETICAL CORNER – WHO WILL SHOW UP?

Do you like elections? Do you enjoy the excitement of the voting and counting process? Unless you vote along ‘party lines’, knowing who to vote for can be difficult. Will she represent me and my views? Do I agree with the positions that he is taking on various issues? It seems that the wisdom of Solomon is often required when it comes to elections and which candidate to vote for.

If you could, who would you vote for to be the next Pope? Do you know enough about any of the Cardinals to be able to make an informed choice? I would imagine that very few, if any of us, do know enough or indeed anything to be in a position to cast a meaningful vote. We might vote for Cardinal Kevin Farrell, the man who had the job of announcing the Pope’s death. He is, after all, Irish and wouldn’t it be great to have an Irish Pope? Other than that, do we even know the names of any of the Cardinals?

Having said all that, we are in a position to take part, to some degree, in the Conclave. We do have a say in who will be the next Pope. While we cannot vote we can pray. Prayer is the common thread that unites all believers when it comes to the Papal Conclave. While the Holy Spirit does not exactly choose the next Pope. The Cardinal electors do pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Here is what Pope Benedict XVI, while still Cardinal Ratzinger had to say on the action of the Holy Spirit in the choosing/selecting of popes: “I would not say so, in the sense that the Holy Spirit picks out the Pope... I would say that the Spirit does not exactly take control of the affair, but rather like a good educator, as it were, leaves us much space, much freedom, without entirely abandoning us. Thus the Spirit’s role should be understood in a much more elastic sense, not that HE dictates the candidate for whom one must vote. Probably the only assurance HE offers is that the thing cannot be totally ruined...”

So, what can we do? We can pray. Pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit with His gifts of Wisdom and Right Judgement, on the College of Cardinals. We can fast, even in Easter time, and offer sacrifices for the conclave. It has often been said that we get the kind of politicians we deserve and that governments are chosen by those who show up and vote. It might be said that if we pray, fast and offer sacrifice we will get the Pope that we deserve and that Popes are chosen by those who show up and pray. Please pray for the Conclave that will choose our next Pope, it begins on Wednesday.

Jubilee of Hope Prayer
Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

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