











Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - 5th Sunday of Caster - 18th May 2025

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MASS TIMES

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

Exam Intention book

From_next_week_Exam Intention book will be placed in the parishes and churches of Narraghmore & Moone. Prayer cards available to take with you for those doing state and University Exams. Intentions will be prayed for at all masses.

Pilgrimage to Fatima

Pilgrimage to Fatima - an escorted group pilgrimage with excursion to Eucharistic miracle of Santarém. The pilgrimage is 4nights, flying from Dublin from the 10th -14th of September 2024, cost is €799pps. Single room supplement €200. For further information please contact Lily O'Mara on 0863190742.



INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

CROOKSTOWN 7PM

Marianne Lawlor James & Elizabeth Cassidy Ciss & Jim Cardiff Jim Maher - Crookstown (23rd A) Stevie (Stephen) Wright (4th A) and remembering also his parents Phyllis & Stephen Wright

Paul Iones (M.M.)

Martina Craddock (1st A)

Patrick & Brendan Ward - Usk (A)

Pat Doyle (A)

Ann O'Rourke (A)

Cora O'Dwyer - Birthday Rem

Pat & Molly King

John King

Christy King

Christy & Elizabeth Kelly

Dan & Mary King

Pat & Cecila Flynn

Monica Bagnall

Iohn and Ester Kellv

Paddy Joe Kelly

Jimmy Cahill

Ross Kelly

Maura Kelly

Dickie & Annette Kelly

Dunne Family (Kildare Town)

Mary Leech

Ester Dempsey

Andy O'Toole

Fred Edghill

Lill Byrne

Phillips Family

Kelly Family (Geraldine Athy)

Kitty & Jimmy O'Brien

Moone 12:00 noon

Mary Kelly (A) Owen Kelly (A)

Richard Mahon (A) and remembering also his grandparents

Richard & Bridget Behan

Larry & Johanna O'Keeffe (A)

CATECHETICAL CORNER - RENT FREE ZONE

It's a shame that we cannot collect rent from all the people that we let live inside our heads. Those people who have hurt us, upset us, insulted us, humiliated us. All those people by whom we have been offended in some way and we are still carrying around with us.

After the Resurrection Jesus said three times: "Peace be with you." (John 20:19, 20:21, and 20:26). Earlier in John's Gospel we read: "I have said this to you, that in me you may have peace..." (Jn.16:33). In this sense the peace that Jesus is offering is not the absence of conflict, because in the same verse of chapter 16 He goes on to say: "In the world you have tribulation...". Rather, the peace that Jesus is offering is a peace despite the tribulation. Peace in the midst of tribulation. He continues: "but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

Achieving this peace requires of us that we stay close to HIM through prayer and the sacraments - "in Me you may have peace...". The Catechism of the Catholic Church says this: It is impossible to keep the Lord's commandment by imitating the divine model from outside; there has to be a vital participation, coming from the depths of the heart, in the holiness and the mercy and the love of our God. Only the Spirit by whom we live can make "ours" the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Then the unity of forgiveness becomes possible and we find ourselves "forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave" us. (CCC # 2842). In other words, living as Jesus asked us to, forgiving those who have offended us.

Forgiveness is not about the other person, it is not about letting them off with something, it is not even about forgetting what they did. That's not possible Rather, it is about us choosing to not carry the pain around anymore. It is about us choosing to evict those non-rate paying lodgers that we have allowed to take up residence in our heads.

For Catholics, forgiveness of others is not an optional extra. It is not a nice aspiration, but if we fall short that's ok. Forgiveness of others is linked to our forgiveness from GOD; "Forgive us our trespasses AS we forgive those who have trespassed against us." So, we can see in the Lord's prayer the two are linked. However, this link is not confined to the Lord's Prayer: "You, therefore, must be perfect, AS your heavenly Father is perfect" - (Mt 5:48); "Be merciful, even AS your Father is merciful" - (Lk 6:36); "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even AS I have loved you, that you also love one another." – (Jn 13:34). Forgiveness gives peace of mind. It lightens the load.

PARISHES OF ATHY, NARRAGHMORE & MOONE



CEMETERY MASSES 2025

ST MICHAEL'S NEW CEMETERY MONDAY, JUNE 9TH AT 7:30PM

ST MICHAEL'S OLD CEMETERY WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH AT 7:30PM

CHURCHTOWN CEMETERY FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH AT 7:30PM

CROOKSTOWN CEMETERY SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH AT 7PM

BARROWHOUSE CEMETERY SUNDAY, JUNE 8TH AT 9AM

SUNDAY, JUNE 8TH AT 10:30AM

MOONE CEMETERY SUNDAY, JUNE 8TH AT 12NOON

KILBERRY CEMETERY Thursday, June 12^{TH} at 7:30PM

> FONTSTOWN CEMETERY TO BE CONFIRMED

and foolish to pray for the dead. But if he was looking to the splendid reward that is laid up for those who fall asleep in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought. Therefore he made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin." 2 Macc. 12: 44-45

5km Run & Walk for Crookstown N.S Join us for a family 5km Run/walk on Sunday 8th June to raise funds for St. Laurence's N.S. Crookstown. Register online at justrunsevents.ie and join in the fun for all the family.

GOLDEN JUBILEE MONSIGNOR PHELIM ROWLAND: On

Sunday 25th May Monsignor Phelim Rowland will celebrate Mass in Ballymount Church at 11:30am to commemorate his Ordination 50 years ago. He 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.