

Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone *The Faith Communities of:*



Ballymount. Crookstown. Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 5th October 2025

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Annual November Remembrance Masses in Narraghmore, Moone & Athy

Ss. Mary & Laurence Church Crookstown
Wednesday 19th November

Church of the Blessed Trinity Moone
Thursday 20th November

St. Ita's Church Kilmead
Monday 24th November

St. Michael's Church, Athy
Monday 17th November

All Remembrance Masses commence at
7:30pm .

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

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

Celebration Of Mass at Crookstown **Mass Rock.**

On October 5th at 3pm, as we continue to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope the Parishes of Narraghmore and Moone, there will be a celebration of Mass at the Mass rock in Crookstown. There will be Signage from Ss Mary and Laurence's Church Crookstown to the Mass Rock which is less than a 5mins drive the Church, parking will be available. If weather does not permit Mass to go ahead at the Mass Rock, Mass will take place in Ss. Mary & Laurence's Church.

INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Recently Deceased:

Elizabeth Jordan (Nee O'Shea) Late of Westmeath and formerly Moone

CROOKSTOWN 7PM

Francis and Elizabeth Duggan
 Sean and Betty O' Connor (3rdA)
 Seamus Mackey (A)
 Conor Carrol (1stA)
 Dan Butterfield (A)
 Tom Lawlor - Naas (A)
 Winnie Corrigan (Birthday Remembrance)

KILMEAD 10:30AM

Brigid Conlon (A)
 Edward, Julia and Mary Lennon (A)

MOONE 12:00NOON

Jennie, John and Ann Piggott - Portersize (A)
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This weekend welcome Kayla Rodrigues as a new member of our church as she is received into the Roman Catholic Church in St Ita's Kilmead, and receives the Sacrament of Confirmation, and also her children who will be baptised. We pray for Kayla, her husband and Children on this very special occasion, and pray for their continued journey with Christ.

CATECHETICAL CORNER – JESUS IS NOT A NICE GUY!

Have you ever heard of a lad called Arius of Alexandria? Probably not. Arius was a priest of the early Church. He died in 336 AD. He was a bit of controversial character in the early Church because of what he believed about Christ. He claimed that Christ was not equal to the Father, not divine, and that there was time when the Son did not exist. That He was a created, finite being. This belief became known as Arianism. Arius had some followers, quite a few actually, to the extent that it began to get some real traction in the early Church. So much so, that the Church convened its first general council to address the matter. This council took place in 325, 1,700 years ago, at Nicea, now known as Iznik in Turkey.

At the Council approximately 220 bishops – the number of signatures on the document, some 17 of whom supported Arius, gathered to debate this point as to whether Jesus was actually GOD or merely the ‘first of all creatures’ as Arius claimed. After much debate, at which Arius and his followers were given fair hearing, the council determined that Arius was mistaken, that his teaching was wrong and therefore heresy. Arius and his ally Eusebius of Caesarea refused to accept the findings of the council were sent into exile.

The form of words that the council fathers used to affirm the divinity of Jesus, was, in Greek, Homosousis, meaning one in being. In Latin this was translated as Consubstantialis – Consubstantial, meaning of the same substance. In other words, Christ is ‘made’ of the same stuff as the Father, that ‘stuff’ being the Divine Nature. The council wrote down their findings in a formula that could be understood by all people. This became known as the Nicene Creed. It is called a creed because the opening word in Latin is Credemus – we believe.

Why does all this matter? Well, if Christ were only a man, not divine, then the sacrifice He offered would be insufficient for the forgiveness of sin. Furthermore, if Christ is not ‘made of the same stuff’ as the Father, then it means that GOD is not Trinitarian in nature, which also undermines a core belief of revelation. It also matters because, to this day, we can still traces of Arianism. We will often hear people say things like: “Jesus was just a nice guy; he told us to love everyone and be nice to people.” The only problem with that is that Jesus was not just a nice guy. Jesus is GOD. When we reduce Jesus to being a ‘nice guy’, a ‘wise man’ a ‘good teacher’, we strip Him of His divinity and the honour and respect that is due to Him as GOD.

This year on 27th Sunday we remember Nicea. Let’s do so by remembering the divinity of Jesus, by honouring Him as GOD and not just a nice a guy.



St. Ita's Church Kilmead presents Kilmead by Candlelight. A evening of Music, Song and Entertainment on Thursday 27th November 2025 in St. Ita's Church, Kilmead R14 FE80, at 7:30pm - 9:30pm. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets RE €20 and are available from St. Laurence's GAA Bar, Padraig Whelan, Deirdre Flanagan, Niamh Lawler, Jonathan Tallon, Bridie Corrigan, Kathleen Grufferty, Emma Grufferty, Brian Darcy, Nora O'Mahony & Vincent Gorman. Main Contact Paddy Whelan on 086-8061898.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month takes place October 1st-31st.
For further information, please log onto
www.breastcancerireland.com

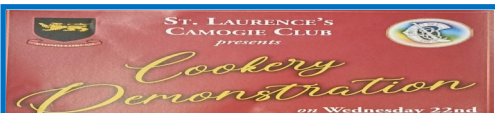
Mass Intentions

If you wish to have your deceased loved ones name in the Mass intentions on the weekly newsletter. Please have your intentions into the parish office by the Wednesday evening beforehand. Your Mass intention will still be prayed for at Masses but will not be on the newsletter as our newsletter is printed on Thursdays. Thank you.

Holy Hour Crookstown

Holy Hour takes place every Tuesday evening in Ss. Mary and Laurence Church Crookstown from 7pm-8pm. All are welcome.

Children's Day of Mission Prayer Friday 10th October. Theme is 'Missionaries of Hope among all peoples.' This Month of October is an opportunity to show our love, prayer and share what we can with children in need throughout the world. We can do this as we pray the rosary each day for those in need . More information on www.missio.ie.



St. Laurence Camogie Club presents Cookery Demonstration on Wednesday 22nd October in Mel's Narraghmore with Chef Joseph Doyle, formerly of Sheen Falls, Monart, and Gleneagles accompanied by Ruth Sorohan on Deserts. Drinks Reception at 7:30pm. Cookery Demo at 8pm. Tickets €20