

# Parishes of Narraghmore & Moone

*The Faith Communities of:*



*Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone*

**Parish Bulletin - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 19th January 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

### Holy Hour Crookstown

**Holy Hour takes place every  
Tuesday evening from 7pm-8pm  
all are welcome .**

### St. Colmcille's National School 5km Fun Run

A 5km Fun Run, Jog and Walk is  
taking place on Monday 3rd February  
2025 @ 11am. The 5km Run Event  
will be raising funds for St. Colmcille's  
National School Moone. to Register  
go to [www.justrunevents.ie](http://www.justrunevents.ie)

### Saint of the Week

**Saint Francis de Sales - Friday 24th  
January**

### Prayer to St Francis De Sales

Be at peace. Do not look forward in fear  
to the changes of life; rather look to  
them with full hope as they arise.  
God, whose very own you are, will  
deliver you from out of them. He has  
kept you hitherto, and He will lead you  
safely through all things; and when you  
cannot stand it, God will bury you in his  
arms. Do not fear what may happen  
tomorrow; the same everlasting Father  
who cares for you today  
will take care of you then and every day.  
He will either shield you from suffering,  
or give you unfailing strength to bear it.  
Be at peace, and put aside all anxious  
thoughts and imagination.

### INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Gavin  
Anthony

### CROOKSTOWN 7PM

Teresa Mackey (A)

Kathleen Farrell (A)

Kit and Mike Doyle (A)

Seán McLoughlin (2nd A)

Ellen (Nell) Fleming – Grangecon  
(1st A)

Seamus Mahon (A) and deceased  
members of the Mahon family.

James Hickey – Narraghmore (A)

Ita Hickey- Narraghmore (A)

James Moore (8th A)

Peg Brown – Balllytore (A)

Maureen and Eugene Craig -  
Birthday remembrance

### Kilmead 10:30am

Diarmuid Flynn (1stA)

Christy Redmond (A)

Des, Mike, Liam, and Pauline

Dempsey – Tinakill

Gillian Dempsey (A)

Christine Taylor (4th A)

### MOONE 12:00NOON

Fr Ambrose Farrington O' Cist –

Bolton Abbey (A)

Nora Kane (1st A)

Eddie and Sally Nolan – Killelan (A)

Nellie and Simon Doody

William (Bill) Carton (A) and

remember his wife Shelia Carton

Anthony and Christina Hegarty (A)

and deceased members of the Hegarty  
Family

Angela Talbot (2nd A)

**"Brothers and sisters, this is the Jubilee Year." Pope Francis January 2025 - 'Jubilee of Hope' 2025**

**What is a holy year?** We celebrate a Holy Year every 25 years. Those who participate in a Holy Year pilgrimage are granted a plenary indulgence; those who are unable to attend are invited to participate spiritually, "offering up the sufferings of their daily lives, and participating in the Eucharistic celebration."

**How often does it happen?** Every 25 years, unless a Pope calls an extraordinary one to call attention to a particular issue or celebrate a momentous event. The last ordinary Holy Year was held in 2000 under Pope John Paul II. The last extraordinary Holy Year was called by Francis in 2016 to emphasise his desire to present the Church as merciful and welcoming rather than moralizing and remote. The start of the year is marked by the opening of the "Holy Door."

**What's the significance of the Holy Door?** The Holy Door is an actual door which remains closed from one Holy Year to the next. It's deemed 'Holy' since it calls all those who enter through it to walk in holiness in their life. In the footsteps of the Pope, representatives of the People of God crossed its threshold, as a prelude to the countless pilgrims of hope from every country and language who will visit St. Peter's Basilica and celebrate the mysteries of salvation during the Holy Year.

**When did this tradition start?** The custom goes back to Pope Martin V who, for the Extraordinary Jubilee of 1423, opened a Holy Door to enter the Lateran Basilica. In St. Peter's Basilica it was first used for the Jubilee of 1450. This tradition remained virtually unchanged over the centuries. The last opening of the Holy Door for an Ordinary Jubilee was when Pope St. John Paul II opened it in 2000. Then out of sequence Pope Francis opened the Holy Door in 2015 calling for an Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy.

**Why have a Jubilee Year?** A Jubilee year is to strengthen faith and recognize Christ in our midst. Pope Francis prayed, "may the light of Christian hope illumine every man and woman, as a message of God's love addressed to all! And may the Church bear faithful witness to this message in every part of the world!" The Holy Father invites us to pray, so that this Jubilee may "strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope."

**What the Holy Father says about the Holy Year.** The Holy Father reflects on how "God, has become one of us to make us like Himself; He has come down to us to lift us up and restore us to the embrace of the Father." "The infinitely great, made Himself tiny" he said and "the glory of heaven appeared on earth as a little child." He continued, "If God can visit us, even when our hearts seem like a lowly manger, we can truly say: Hope is not dead; hope is alive, and it embraces our lives forever!" 'There is hope for you' When he was opening the "Holy Door" Pope Francis said, "Tonight, the door of hope has opened wide to the world God speaks to each of us and says: there is hope also for you!" Pope Francis underscored, the Jubilee "is a summons not to be tarry, to be kept back by our old habits, or to wallow in mediocrity or laziness." He recalled Saint Augustine's having suggested, "that hope calls us to be upset with things that are wrong and to find the courage to change them". With this in mind, as disciples of the Lord, the Holy Father encouraged, "we are called to find our greater hope in Him, and then, without delay, carry that hope with us, as pilgrims of light amid the darkness of this world." "Brothers and sisters," the Pope reminded, "this is the Jubilee." "This is the season of hope in which we are invited to rediscover the joy of meeting the Lord," he "calls us to spiritual renewal and commits us to the transformation of our world, so that this year may truly become a time of jubilation. "Pope Francis concluded by saying, "Dear sister, dear brother, on this night the 'holy door' of God's heart lies open before you. Jesus, God-with-us, is born for you, for us, for every man and woman. With him, joy flourishes; with Him, life changes; with Him, hope does not disappoint."

**The Jubilee 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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