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Ballymount, Crookstown, Kilmead & Moone

Parish Bulletin - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe- Sunday 24th November 2024

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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:

Moone Parish Christmas Draw
Tickets for the Moone Parish
Christmas Draw are available from
sellers at the entrance to Moone
Church as well as from the Parish
Office. Tickets are only €2 each or 6
for €10. All proceeds go to the day to
day running costs of Moone Church.
Thank you for your generosity.

Marian Pilgrimages Pilgrimage

800th Anniversary of the Canonization of St Laurence O'Toole 10th May − 12th May 2025 − 3 Day Pilgrimage Fr. Ivan Tonge. €595 per person sharing (Halfboard - Breakfast & Dinner) for more information please contact Marian Pilgrimages on (01) 8788159 or www.marian.ie

Christmas Mass Bouquet

Christmas Mass Bouquets will be available from Crookstown Church next weekend Saturday 30th November and in the Parish Office from Monday 2nd December.



INTENTIONS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Recently Deceased: Patrick (Pat) O'Brien

CROOKSTOWN 7PM

Edward Lawlor - Wood Road
Mary Loakman (2nd A)
Michael Donoghue - Grangecon (A)
and his wife Agnes
Margaret O'Toole (A)
Jack O'Connor - Blackhall (A)
Ann (Nan) Doran (A)
Patrick Keogh - Lipstown (A)
Jim Keogh - Monkstown (A)
Ned Cullen (A) and his wife Lil
Matt and Mary Lawler and
deceased members of the Lawler
family
Michael Fogarty (8thA)

Kilmead 10:30am

Margaret Hempenstall (Months Mind)

Thomas and Bridget Dempsey (A)

Moone 12:00noon

Noel Kenny (A)

Nan Kavanagh Whitty -Hughestown (A) and her husband

Mick

Mary Nolan - Bolton Hill (A) Billy and Bridget Kavanagh – Grangenolvin (A) and their daughter Kathleen Joe Leigh - Belan (A) **Prayer to St. Catherine of Alexandria**

Almighty and eternal God! With lively faith and reverently worshipping Your Divine Majesty, I bow before You and ask for Your supreme bounty and mercy.

Illumine the darkness of my mind with a ray of Your heavenly light and Inflame my heart with the fire of Your Divine love, that I may contemplate the great virtues and merits of Saint Catherine of Alexandria in whose honour I pray, and following her example, like her, the life of Your Divine Son.

I ask You to graciously grant my petitions, through the merits and intercession of this powerful Helper, Saint Catherine of Alexandria, pray for usl

Amen.



Catechetical Corner - "Heirs to the Throne"

If you had a Royal title would you want to surrender your right, if you had it, to be called Prince/Princess or Her/His Royal Highness? What circumstances might cause you to surrender the right and title of a princess or prince? What is that makes someone a prince/princess? Birthright! You are born to it or you are adopted into it, often by marriage.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, it is worth recalling our own birth-right. Jesus is the King of the universe: "...for in Him were created all things in heaven and on earth." (Col. 1:16).

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), "Everyone is called to enter the kingdom." (CCC 543). The CCC goes on to say that Jesus came to call sinners into kingdom. But in calling them He invites them to conversion, without which, entry into the kingdom is not possible. (CCC 545). According to 1 Cor. 2:9, we cannot imagine what GOD has in store for those who love HIM. We enter the kingdom, not as invited guests, not as those who don't belong; but rather as heirs of GOD our Father and co-heirs with Christ.

In Romans 8:17 St Paul says, "Now if we are children, then we are heirs - heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory." According to this verse, we share in the sufferings of Christ now and will share in the glory of Christ later as His "co-heirs" or "joint-heirs."

The term heirs of God emphasises our relationship to God the Father. As His children, we have "an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade . . . kept in heaven" (1 Peter 1:4). The Greek term translated "heirs" in Romans 8:17 refers to "those who receive their allotted possession by right of sonship." In other words, because God has made us His children (see John 1:12), we have full rights to receive His inheritance. We are His beneficiaries (see Matthew 25:34; Galatians 3:29; Colossians 1:12; 3:24). So you see, we are already Prince/Princess, we already have a royal title and one that we shouldn't lay aside lightly.

We are members of the royal family and today we honour our King, the King of kings and the Lord of lords. Live with the dignity and attitude of a member of the royal family, live as one who is a co-heir and will inherit the kingdom.

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

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