



Comprising the Faith Communities of:
ST MICHAEL'S, ATHY
&
ST MARY'S, BARROWHOUSE



# ASCENSION OF THE LORD, THE LORDS SUPPER 12TH MAY 2024

## Prayer

Give us the courage, God of the Good News, to take that message into our hearts and lives, into every time and place. Even when we cannot feel it, we know that the Lord is working with us and so we do not lose heart.



#### **CHURCH NOTICES**

Weekend Mass times: 6pm, 10.30am & 12 noon &

Barrowhouse Sunday at 9 am

Weekday Mass times: 9.30 am. Rosary at 9.10 am

**Last Weekend Collections:** 

P. Dev.: €637 Common: €1,160 Share €955

Thanks to all who contribute

### NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Recalling the example of the disciples after the Ascension, who persevered together in prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Archbishop Farrell has asked all Catholics across the Archdiocese to offer a nine day novena beginning today, the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord (Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May), through the Feast of Pentecost (Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May), ending on the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church (Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May). Our Novena to the Holy Spirit is a crucial part of the Building Hope pastoral renewal process of prayerful listening, dialogue, planning and action. Pope Francis encourages times such as these of prayerful reflection, listening and sharing, so that we can better hear the voice of God's Spirit, to help direct the Church into the future. We trust this prayerful period will be fruitful for our parish partnership and for our Archdiocese. Each day at mass we will pray the Building Hope Prayer. We encourage you to pray it at home. You will find it in the Parish Newsletter, on our parish website and on our Social media. There are also copies available at the doors of the Church.

## **BUILDING HOPE PRAYER**

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise.

You constantly journey with us even in our darkness and doubts.

We seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family.

Open our eyes to recognise you in the faces of one another, in the breaking of bread and in the splendour of creation. May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us.

May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word, bringing forth truth, justice and peace.

May the Holy Spirit working in and through us do much more than we can dare to imagine

as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service.

We make this our prayer through Christ Our Lord. **Amen.** Mary, Mother of the Church, *pray for us*.

St Laurence O'Toole, pray for us.

St Kevin, *pray for us.* 

St Brigid, pray for us.

## PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

## **Recently Deceased:**

Brigid Parsons, nee Leahy, Galway formerly Grangenolvin

## **Saturday 6pm Month's mind:**

## **Anniversaries:**

Ger & Kathleen Howard, Lorraine Keogh (1st A), Michael Keogh (6th A), Joe & Edward Perse, Stefan Clarke Perse, Deceased members of Perse & Foley families, Jack Kelly, Geraldine Kelly (10th A), Rose Heavy, Sheila Melia, Michael Dooley, Dan & Annie Foley, Mary & Edel Foley, Dec. members of Foley family, Sarah Brennan, Mary Scally, Michael Myles, Winifred & Patrick Neill, Bernadette McStay, Eileen Phelan (2nd Anniv), Michael Griffin (1st Anniv) Joe Perse, Ned Perse, Ger Walsh, Joe Walsh Jnr., Joe Walsh Snr., Mary Perse, Paul Perse, Michael Perse, Stephen Clark, Ken Wakeman

# 9 am Sunday Barrowhouse:

# 10.30 am: Anniversaries:

Patrick & Michael Doogue, Patrick Delaney, Catherine & Michael Renehan, Christy & Mary Cleary, Johnny & Roseanne Cleary, Deceased members of Cleary family, Michael Dooley, Sarah Brennan, Jane Reid, Deceased members of Reid & Foley families, Robert & Mary Morrin, Patrick 'Paddy' Kelly, Dec. members of Cooney & Kelly families, Bernadette McStay, Catherine McCarthy (19th Anniv, Carmelita Fabian, Ellen Phelan (2nd Anniv), Michael Griffin (1st Anniv)

## 12 noon:

**Birthday remembrance:** Jimmy Hickey **Anniversaries:** 

Thomas Darby, Philip O'Brien (7th A), Rita Fennelly, James 'Jim' McEvoy (3rd A), Michael Dooley, Walter & Lil Hovenden, Sarah Brennan, Mary & Robert Morrin, Bernadette McStay, Maura O'Reilly (25th Anniv), Ellen Phelan (2nd Anniv), Michael Griffin (1st Anniv)

Monday 9.30 am: Ger & Kathleen Howard Donors Intention, Special Intention

Tues. 9.30 am: Wednes. 9.30 am:

**Thursday 9.30 am:** Robert Eston (13th A), Peter McEnroe, Dan & Annie Foley, Mary & Edel Foley Mai Quinn (1st Anniv)

## Friday 9.30 am:

## READINGS

1st Reading: Acts 1: 1-11

Psalm: Ps. 46

**2nd Reading**: Ephesians 4:1 13 or 4:1-7, 11-3

**Gospel:** Mark 16: 15-20

Athy Parish website www.parishofathy.ie

Parish Radio 107.9 fm

## ATHY PARISH OFFICE

Email: athyparishrc@eircom.net Phone 059 86 38391 Address: Parish Office, St. Michael's Church, Stanhope Pl., Athy, Co. Kildare. R14 CA 26

**OPEN**: Monday:

2.15-4pm

**Tuesday & Wednes:** 9.30-1.30 pm & 2-4pm **Thur & Fri:** 9.30-1.30pm *(by phone in afternoon)* **Sat:** 10.30am-12.30 only

Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays

#### **DONATIONS**

A choice as to how you donate
The Archdiocese of Dublin has facilitated a
"Tap and Go" contactless donation method
to enable people to donate directly to the
First Collection (Common Fund Priest
Collection)

and the Second Collection (Share Fund)

Card machines are in place in the Church for this purpose.

You can use your Debit/Credit Card or indeed your mobile phone

This is split 60% to the Common Fund and 40% to Share. Thanks for your donations.

March 2024 - €798 from 60 transactions

# **Commemoration Ceremony**

'The Annual Great Famine Commemoration Ceremony will take place in St. Mary's Cemetery (opposite St. Vincent's Hospital) on Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm.The service, conducted by Fr. Liam Rigney and Rev. Conor O'Reilly, will remember the 1,200 or more inmates of the Workhouse who died during the Great Famine.'

## **PARISH TEAM**

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## **COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION**

cards, gifts, prayer books, rosaries, rosettes are available from parish office

# PADRA PIO'S GLOVE

in Fitzpatrick's House Kilberry

on

Sat 1st June 2024, 11am-5pm
Items of St. Pio will be available on the day
For info call
Ann 085 1696189
All welcome

# **Kildare County Council Homeless**

Advice Clinic - Monthly Outreach Clinic

on

Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> May in Athy Family Resource Centre R14 NN97 2pm – 4pm

KCC Homeless Team: Tel 045 980230

# KNOCK SUMMER PROGRAMME 2024

## Mass times

Weekdays & Saturdays 9am, 12 noon, 3pm and 7.30 pm

### Adoration

9am-6.30pm 7pm-9pm

#### Confessions

10.30am -4.30pm Daily

See notice boards for much more details on programme



Children Liturgy Sheets available at doors of church

## **New Appointment**

Archbishop Dermot Farrell has appointed Canon Frank McEvoy as Team assistant to the Parish of Athy Narraghmore & Moone effected from first weekend in July. Fr. Frank is retiring as Parish Priest of Maynooth for health reasons, following the advise of his consultant. As Team Assistant, Fr. Frank will undertake limited ministry, free from administrative responsibilities.

The Archbishop has granted Fr. Francis request to live in Athy. He will be moving into the presbytery, no. 4 Stanhope Place, the late Fr. Dennehy's house.

We are looking forward to involving Fr. Frank as he takes up his appointment as Team Assistant here.

# Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

# continues on this Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in St Clare's Church.

We invite people to place their petitions in the petition boxes in St Clare's Church. During our Novena, through the prayers of our Faith Community and the intercession of Our Lady we will ask Jesus to relieve whatever burdens we carry. Rosary recited at 7.10pm and Novena begins at 7.30pm

GUEST SPEAKER Derek McGrath Former centre-forward and previous manager of the Waterford senior Hurling team

# **ACCORD**

Accord Carlow are now back open for face-to-face Relationship Counselling at St. Catherine's Community Service Centre Carlow For further information please phone Mary at 086 4149034

or email accordcarlow@gmail.com

## LOURDES PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Moone, Narraghmore, Athy

25th Aug- 1st Sept 2024

Cost: €975
Spiritual Director:
Fr. Francis McCarthy

Deposit of €200 **now** due. Final payment due by end of June

**Contact:** Christopher Rowan 087 2707 182

