



THE PARISH  
OF ATHY

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



## MASS OF THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 28TH JULY 2024

### PRAYER

O God, you open wide your hand, giving us food in due season. Out of your never-failing abundance, satisfy the hungers of body and soul and lead all peoples of the earth to the feast of the world to come. We make our prayer through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

#### Recently Deceased:

*Anne Dunne*, Portmarnock

#### Saturday 6pm

**Month's mind:** Kathleen Henry, Breda Henry, Joseph Meehan, Kathleen Conroy, Martin O'Brien

**Birthday remembrance:** Ronan Friel, also **birthday remembrance** of Esther Pender & 7th Anniv.

**Anniversaries:** Moira Bolger, Bridget Bolger, Catherine Bergin, John Kinahan (1st A), Honora 'Ciss' Deere, Paddy Deere, Thomas & Elizabeth Murphy, Christine Bowden, Catherine Kelly, Jim Prendergast, James & Eileen Hanratty, Eddie & Kathleen Connolly, Joe & Alice Dooley, Michael 'Spud' Dooley, Maureen Pool nee Mulhall (10th Anniv) & Margaret 'May' Mulhall (10th Anniv)

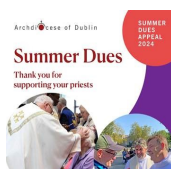
### CHURCH NOTICES

**Weekend Mass times:** 6pm, 10.30am & 12 noon & **Barrowhouse Sunday at 9 am**

**Weekday Mass times:** 9.30 am. Rosary at 9.10 am

Today is World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly. (See prayer overleaf)

**Summer Dues** can be placed in the collection bags during Mass or left into Parish office during opening hours. *Thanks to all those who have already contributed.*



#### Last Weekend Collections:

P. Dev.: €1,009 Common: €1,155 Share: €930

*Thanks to all who contribute*

**9 am Barrowhouse:** Christy Barry (6th A)

**10.30 am: Month's mind:** Martin O'Brien

**Birthday remembrance:** Ronan Friel, also birthday remembrance of Esther Pender & 7th Anniv.

**Anniversaries:** Jack & Margaret Foley, Michael Kelly, Annie McManus, Margaret Deegan, Christina Bowden, Catherine Kelly, Eddie & Kathleen Connolly, Mary Fallon, Tommy Nolan & Dec members of Reid & Foley Family, Jimmy & Mary Sweeney, Noelle Sweeney, Joe Fenlon, Dec mem of Fenlon Family, James & Breda Harris (anniv), Phil ~Mooney, Joe McDonagh

### READINGS:

**1st Reading:** 2 Kings 4: 42-44

**Psalm** Ps 144

**2nd Reading:**

Ephesians 4:1-6

**Gospel:**

John 6:1-15

### ROSARY

Every Sunday evening at 7.30 pm

Fatima Grotto, Kilkenny Road.

All welcome

### 12 noon:

**Month's mind:** Martin O'Brien

**Birthday remembrance:** Ronan Friel

**Anniversaries:** Carrie Robinson, Frank Webb, Liam & George Robinson, Peg Deegan, Ursula Hyde, John Hyde, Michael & Mary Hughes, Thomas & Elizabeth Murphy, Christine Bowden, Catherine Kelly

### PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY'S ISLAND CO. WEXFORD

#### Feast of The Assumption

Bus to Our Lady's Island will leave on Thur. 15th August from outside Parish Church at 11 am

Return time 7.30 pm approx.

*Mass, Rosary, Adoration, Hymns, Procession around the Island*

Refreshments available there in Parish Centre and shop.

€20 per person. Pre booking and payment essential

Give your name and phone number to Athy Parish Secretary to book your place. 059 86 38391

athyparishrc@eircom.net or call in during opening hours

**Monday 9.30 am:** Ursula & John Hyde

Dec mem of Reid Family

Dec mem of Clifford Family

**Tues. 9.30 am:**

**Birthday remembrance:** Ronan Friel

**Anniv.:** Claire Dunne

Special Intention

**Wednes. 9.30 am:**

**Birthday remembrance:** Paddy Cahill

**Thursday 9.30am:** Golden Book

**Friday 9.30 am:** Altar List of the Dead

### ATHY PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Opening hours have been adjusted for the next four weeks

**Monday:** closed

**Tuesday & Wednes:** 9.30-1 pm

**Thur & Fri:** 9.30-1.30 pm (afternoon contact by phone or email)

**Sat:** 10.30am-12.30pm.

**Closed: Saturday 3rd August to Wednes 7th Aug inclusive**

Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays

### HOLY HOUR

Final Holy Hour in Parish Church before summer recess on Tuesday next from 2-3pm



Adoration will then resume in September.

## LOURDES PARISH PILGRIMAGE



Moone, Narraghmore, Athy

25th Aug– 1st Sept 2024

Cost: €975

Spiritual Director: Fr. Francis McCarthy

Final payment now due

Contact: Christopher Rowan  
087 2707 182

## ALPHA COURSE

Bayside Alpha are hosting Bishop Barron's 6 week film series on The Mass, starting on Sunday the 4th of August from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. This series will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life. To join this Zoom course email Paul at [alphabayside@gmail.com](mailto:alphabayside@gmail.com).

Friday 27th Sept – 1st October 2024

Spiritual Director:

Rev Fr. Simon Nolan O. Carm Provincial  
5 Day Pilgrimage for the

Feast Day of St Therese of Lisieux to include:

Pontifical Mass in the Basilica  
Evening Candlelight Procession of St  
Therese's Relics.

Visit the Cemetery where St Therese and  
her family are buried

Visit to Les Buissonnets -the home of St.  
Therese

St Pierre Cathedral in Lisieux

Day trip to Alencon or Caen, both with  
strong links to the Martin family

Contact Marcie Sweeney Duggan on 085  
8887549 for further information.

Cost : €1,050 PER PERSON SHARING

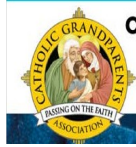
## FREEDOM TO LIVE FULLY, UNTIL DEATH COMES

This pastoral letter *Freedom to Live Fully, Until Death Comes* has been published by the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference to inform people of faith and goodwill who wish to protect and support human life with dignity and compassion, especially in the last weeks of terminal illness.

### The full statement

[can be found here.](#)

See this newsletter online



## CELEBRATING THE WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY



Pope Francis has chosen a line from Psalm 71 -- "**Do not cast me off in my old age**" -- as the theme for the 2024 celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

In a note announcing the theme for the day, which will be celebrated July 28, the Vatican said the choice was "meant to call attention to the fact that, sadly, loneliness is the bitter lot in life of many elderly persons, so often the victims of the throwaway culture."

Pope Francis celebrated the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in 2021 and decreed that it be observed each year on the Sunday closest to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents.

**Look with love on grandparents** the world over. Protect them!

They are a source of enrichment for families and for all of society. Support them!



As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardian of noble domestic ideals, living treasures of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience. Help families and society to value the presence and roles of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them. Keep them constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen

## Bake/Cake sale

Churchtown Old  
School

Saturday 3rd August

12 noon.



Athy Parish  
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Parish Radio 107.9 fm

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## Further Education and Training Courses Athy:

Full-time and Part-time places available. Social Studies, Young People and Society, Healthcare, Business Studies, Bookkeeping, Marketing Practice and Early Learning and Care. All courses are free to eligible students. Training allowance available for full-time students who are in receipt of Jobseekers Payments. For detailed course information contact programme coordinator:

Una Burke, Phone: 059 8632044 Ext 2.

Mobile: 879787727

## LEGION OF MARY YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE

'Fan the Spark' Conference for Young Adults (18-40)  
Saturday, August 24, 9.30am-5.30pm in Legion of Mary, Brunswick Street, Dublin. Cost €15. Talks on art, faith, tour of Frank Duff House, Mass, adoration and more. To book visit [www.eventbrite.ie](http://www.eventbrite.ie) or contact [deusetpatria@gmail.com](mailto:deusetpatria@gmail.com).

## Youth 2000 Summer Festival

Join young people between 16 and 35 this August at the **Youth 2000 Summer Festival**. The festival takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare from **Thursday 15th August to Sunday 18th August 2023**. The festival includes inspiring talks, music, prayer, concert, workshops, dramas, share groups, reconciliation and healing service and Mass. Donation only and we have free buses going from all over Ireland. For more information and to book your place go to [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)