



THE PARISH  
OF ATHY

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



**MASS OF THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18TH AUGUST 2024**

**PRAYER**

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us and nourish your people with the word of life and the bread from heaven. In our sharing of these holy gifts, show us our unity in you and give us a taste of the life 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.



**PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD**

**Recently Deceased:**

*John O'Brien*, Woodstock St.  
*Mary O'Neill*, Kilberry. Funeral Mass Monday at 11am followed by burial in New St. Michael's Cemetery  
*Ronan James*, Knockmore, Mayo.  
*Robert Bowe*, Portlaoise

**Saturday 6pm**

**Month's mind:** Mary Foley  
**Birthday Remembrance:** Patrick Nolan, Julia Bambrick

**Anniversaries:**

John Ludlow, Michael O'Shea, Pat Maher, Betty Goulding, Abbey George (2nd Anniv), Jim May, Mary Donnelly, Jack & Nancy Dunne, Catherine Buckley nee Curtis (19th Anniv) John Anderson (4th Anniv)

**9 am Barrowhouse:**

Joan Howe, Patrick & Teresa Brennan, Angeline Smith (5th Anniv)

**10.30 am:**

**Month's mind:**

**Birthday Remembrance:** Ger O'Sullivan

**Anniversaries:**

Pat Maher, Betty Goulding, Abbey George (2nd Anniv), Ann Molloy (Birthday & Anniv Rem), Kathleen Barry, Maura Mulhall (1st Anniv), Christopher & Mary Cleary, Jim May (Anniv), Madge Daley, Jack & Nancy Dunne, Angeline Smith (5th Anniv), John Anderson (4th Anniv)

**12 noon:**

**Birthday Remembrance:** Ger O'Sullivan

**Anniversaries:**

Pat Maher, Betty Goulding, Abbey George (2nd Anniv) John Anderson (4th Anniv), Eleanor & Pat Dooley, Dec mem of Dooley & Dowling Families,

**Monday 9.30 am:**

John Hamilton (Anniv)  
Hester & Joseph May (Birthday Rem)

**Tues. 9.30 am:**

Edmond, Mary & William O'Connor  
John Hamilton (54th Anniv)

**Wednes. 9.30 am:**

Mairead Fogerty (1st Anniv)

**Thursday 9.30am:**

P.J. Fenlon & Dec mem of Fenlon Family

**Friday 9.30 am:**

John & Maureen Murphy (Anniv), MV Thomas (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

**Last Weekend Collections:**

P. Dev.: €470 Common: €1,040 Share: €900  
Holy Day-Share €175 Common: €300  
*Thanks to all who contribute*

**READINGS:**

**1st Reading:**

Proverbs 9:1-6

**Psalm.**

Ps.33: 2-3. 10-15

**2nd Reading:**

Ephesians 5: 15-20

**Gospel:**

John 6: 51-58

**INNER HEALING**

**Mass & Adoration**

**Fri 23rd August 2024**

from 5pm-8.30pm

Led by Fr. Prince Clarence S.J.

Carmelite Church,  
White Abbey,  
Kildare Town

**MATT TALBOT WALK**

There will be a Matt Talbot today, Sunday, August 18, at 2pm at Sean McDermott Street Church. Dublin



**ATHY PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS**  
Opening hours have been adjusted for most of August

**Closed:** Mondays & Holy Days & Bank Holidays

**Open:**

Tue & Wednes. 9.30-1pm

Thur. & Fri: 9.30-1.30 pm

(afternoon contact by phone or email)

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

(return to normal from Monday 26th August)

**Email:** athyparishrc@eircom.net **Phone** 059 86 38391

**Address:** Parish Office, St. Michael's Church, Stanhope Pl., Athy, Co. Kildare. R14 CA 26

**ROSARY**

Every Sunday evening  
at 7.30 pm

Fatima Grotto, Kilkenny Road.  
All welcome

## 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

## 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.

## HOLY HOUR

Adoration will resume in September.



## Athy Parish

website [www.parishofathy.ie](http://www.parishofathy.ie)  
Parish Radio 107.9 fm

## COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING & A CHAT



Sláintacare Healthy Community Hub  
Athy R14 XY60  
(behind Parish Centre, Mt Hawkin)

Friday 23rd August at 10.30 am

Contact:

Anne-anned@countykildarelp.ie-086 4411255  
(Supporting your Health & Wellness)

## PARISH TEAM

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## 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.

Tap & Go Share & Common during  
JUNE 2024 raised €404.00 from 42 transactions  
JULY 2024 raised €482.00 from 38 transactions

Thanks for your donations

## GRÁSTA

Catholic Preparation for Marriage Courses  
20th-22nd September 2024

De La Salle Pastoral Centre, Castletown, Co. Laois

Weekend residential available

For Information: [www.grasta.org](http://www.grasta.org) or at [info@grasta.org](mailto:info@grasta.org)



## 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](mailto:accordcarlow@gmail.com)

## AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie).

## Saint John Vianney Catholic Church

Presents An  
AUTUMN CONCERT

Featuring The Singing Priest

Fr Marino Nguekam

Accompanied By:

Mary Flynn : Soprano  
Eoin Tierney : Organist  
Jane Hughes : Cello



Sunday 1st Sept - 3pm  
95 Ardlea Road Artane D05TH79

The themes for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B guide us to live wisely, nourish our spirits with Christ in the Eucharist, and be thankful. The readings remind us that true life and joy are found in following Jesus and living according to God's will.

**Avoiding Foolishness:** Ephesians warns against drunkenness and living without thought. Instead, it calls us to live with a clear mind and a focused heart.

**Jesus, the Living Bread:** In the Gospel, Jesus offers himself as the living bread from heaven. Those who partake in Him through the Eucharist will receive eternal life, unlike those who ate manna and still died.

**Eternal Life Through Christ:** Jesus promises eternal life to those who believe in Him. This promise is a central theme, showing that true life is found in Jesus.

**Spiritual Nourishment:** The readings highlight the need for spiritual nourishment. Just as our bodies need food, our souls need the sustenance that comes from Christ in the Eucharist.

**Living with Joy:** Paul speaks of expressing joy through spiritual music. This joy comes from living in harmony with God's will and being filled with the Holy Spirit.