

ATHBOY PARISH

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MASSES TIMES this week:

Sunday: 9am Rathmore
10.15am Rathcairn
11.30am Athboy

Monday 8am, Tuesday 7.30pm

Ash Wed 9.30am & 7.30pm

Thursday & Friday 9.30am

Saturday 10am Vigil 6.15pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45pm

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Pat Ennis

John Noonan

Dan & Patricia O'Shea

Thomas Smith

Josephine Murphy

Sunday

9am: Kathleen & Hugh Lynagh

10.15am Bríd Ní Chofaigh MM

11.30am: Pat Hamilton

Rita Rock

Frank Garrahy & dec of
Garrahy & Hogan families
Sr Noeleen Reilly

Marietta McMahon

Tue 7.30: the Holy Face of Jesus

Wed 9.30 Joseph & Teresa Maliakal

Fri 9.30am: List of the Dead

Sat 10am: Bill Brady

Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

John Kelly

Christopher & Marcella Nugent

Next Sunday

10.15am Donal Ó'Laoire

Baptisms: contact Parish Office.

Parish Office hours: Thursday
& Friday 9am-1pm & 2-4pm.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 23rd February

Athboy €1,050 Thank

Rathmore €205 You!

Rathcairn €160

Friday 28th February

Confirmation €870

RIP

David Ennis

Butterfield View

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 2nd March 2025



Lent

Lent: begins this week with the Blessing of Ashes on Ash Wednesday. A season of penance and renewal of faith, Lent gives us an opportunity to strengthen our relationship with God in prayer and good works. Lent is also about preparing for Easter when we will renew our Baptismal promises.

During Lent we reflect on our lives and recognise our need for God's mercy; we approach the sacrament of Reconciliation and seek forgiveness of our sins.

The three disciplines of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Ash Wednesday, a day of fasting and abstinence.

Ashes will be blessed and distributed at Mass on Ash Wednesday at 9.30am & 7.30pm



Ash Wednesday

Trocaire Boxes: available in the churches this weekend, please take one home.



Confirmation: Congratulations to the 58 boys and girls who were confirmed on Friday and thank you to all who helped them prepare for Confirmation.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped clean and prepare the church on Tuesday evening and to our choirs for music at the Ceremony

of Light and at the Confirmation ceremony.

Fr Padraig will lead a small parish **Pilgrimage from Athboy to Lourdes** in May, contact the Parochial House for details.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Deenihan takes place in September.



SANCTUAIRES NOTRE-DAME DE LOURDES

Eucharistic Adoration: additional adorers are needed on Fridays in Athboy for the hours between 11am – 2pm.

Seachtain na Gaeilge 2025: Athboy St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee present '*chat agus comhrá*' on Saturday 8th March. All levels of Irish welcome. Beidh go leor Gaeilgeoirí ann chun cabhrú leat ar an lá. Be proud of your national language and use it during Seachtain na Gaeilge. All welcome. St. James' Kitchen 11am – 1pm.

Anois Anois, community annual magazine, is now available for purchase at Smyth's Newsagents and Birds Centra Athboy. Price €5. Enquires to athboyanois@gmail.com

Floods' Monthly Table Quiz is in aid of St James' Hall this month on **WEDNESDAY** 5th March - please note change of day. Table of 4 €40. Lots of difficult questions and great raffle prizes. First question at 9.00 pm sharp. Table bookings contact Mary: 086-9658535 or Bernard: 087-7646141