

MASS INTENTIONS for the week ahead:

Sat Vigil: Christopher & Catherine Ennis
 Sun 9am: Laurence Farrelly
 Sun 11.30am: Tony & Phyllis O'Connor, Paul Colgan
 Tues 7.30pm: Sr. Patrick Donegan
 Thurs 7.30pm: Dora & Hugh Gibney
 Fri 8am: List of the Dead
 Fri 7.30pm: List of the Dead
 Sat 10am: Joe & Nora Buckley
 Sat Vigil: Paddy Gilroy & Dec'd Family Members
 Sun 9am: Nancy Garry
 Sun 11.30am: Denis Mc Cann

WEEKDAY MASSES: Mass on Mon at 8am, Tues & Thurs at 7.30pm, Wed at 9.30am, Fri 8am & 7.30pm, Sat at 10am.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD for next weekends' Masses are: Vigil (Dec 2nd) Hugh Gibney 11.30am (Dec 3rd) Una Mc Cann

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST for next weekends' Masses are: Vigil (Dec 2nd) Mairead Farrell, Enda Kelly & Susan Kenny 11.30am: (Dec 3rd) Joseph McGovern, Dawn Finnegan, Anthony Leavy & Finula Garrahy

COLLECTIONS: Athboy €850, Rathmore €160, Rathcairn €175. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

ADORATION OF BLESSED

SACRAMENT: commencing after morning Mass on Friday and continuing throughout the day until late.

FEASTDAYS in the week ahead:

Mon Nov 27th – St Fergal
 Thurs Nov 30th – St Andrew, apostle

WELCOME: We welcome with great joy and congratulations Saileog Ní Thuama, Sean O'Connell, Michael O'Rourke, Josh Perry & Shea Mulvaney. Many congratulations to their parents and godparents also.

Learning our Prayers for Confirmation: Act of Hope

O my God, I put my hope in you because I am sure of your promises. Deliver us, Lord from every evil and grant us peace in our day, as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING
Sunday November 26th 2017**

November is the month that is especially dedicated to remembering and praying for our loved ones who have departed this life and have gone before us into Eternal Life. There are the visits to the cemetery and to the church, the Indulgences for the Faithful Departed, the compiling of the List of the Dead, the Feast of all Saints and All Souls.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PROGRAMME continues at all Masses in the parish this weekend. We welcome the children who are preparing for their Confirmation together with their families. Candidates are invited to participate in the Offertory procession and offer the Prayers of the Faithful at Masses until Christmas. Confirmation will be celebrated in Athboy on Friday Feb 23rd at 3pm.

BINGO in aid of Church funds takes place today Sunday November 26th at 3pm in the Darnley Lodge Hotel.

FIRST FRIDAY – Friday December 1st: Masses for those on the parish List of the Dead on Friday next at 8am and 7.30pm. Communion Calls to the sick and housebound on Friday at the usual times.

ADVENT YOUNG ADULT RETREAT: Sat Dec 2nd 9.30am – 5pm Dalgan Park, Navan. Cost: Donation. Bookings to Fr Joe – 086 6036506, John 087 2478519. Explore how God is calling you...

OUR PARISH CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE takes place on Saturday Dec 16th at 8pm in St. James' Church, Athboy. All the church choirs and schools choirs will participate in this ceremony of music and scripture.

ST JAMES CHURCH CHOIR and friends are hosting a Christmas Dinner in the Darnley Lodge Hotel on Sat 9th December at 8pm. 4-course meal - €25. Bookings to Dave 089 4715655.

CHRISTMAS TRIDUUM OF MASSES takes place this year on Dec 26th, 27th & 28th December at 11am. Triduum cards are available from the Parochial House and from the sacristy after all Masses.

MISSALS FOR 2018 are now available priced €10.

PRO-LIFE CAMPAIGN National Conference takes place in the Concert Hall of the RDS, Dublin on Sunday 3rd December from 1pm to 4.30pm. Guest speakers include Abby Johnson, former director of an abortion clinic and Lord David Alton, human rights activist along with other inspiring talks and testimonies. Registration is important. Call 087 266 8702 or email info@prolifecampaign.ie

BAPTISMAL MEETING: The next baptismal meeting for parents who wish to have their babies' baptised takes place on Monday December 4th 2017 at 8pm in the Parochial House. Please enrol in advance to the Parochial House.

PUBLIC ROSARY on Fri Dec 8th – the Feast of the Immaculate Conception in Market Street, Trim (under the courthouse clock) at 6pm.

INVITATION TO ALL COMMUNITY & SPORTING ORGANISATIONS: We are currently upgrading our parish website. If you would like your group to be listed on the page please email the parish office at athboyensis@gmail.com with the name of your group, contact details, website, and Facebook address where applicable before 30th November.

12 DAYS OF GIVING: Athboy Macra na Feirme have organised 12 Days of Giving in aid of the local St. Vincent de Paul. The club would like to encourage everyone to donate any non-perishable food items that they can to the box located inside the Macra Hall. All donations are greatly appreciated.

RATHMORE NS BOG WALK in aid of school funds takes place on Sat Dec 9th at 2pm in Girley Bog, followed by Cake Sale. All welcome. Sponsorship cards available at the school.

ATHBOY ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP: club meeting on Wed Nov 29th 2.45-5pm. Kurling on Thurs Nov 30th 2.30pm-4.30pm in St. James' Hall. All welcome.

ATHBOY MEN'S SHED: Retired: Want something to do: Drop in to the Men's Shed Wednesday morning 10am – 12.30pm Convent Community Centre, Kildalkey Rd.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: Athboy Business Association would like to invite everyone to the switching on of the Christmas lights in the town on Sunday Nov 26th at 6pm in front of the old McElhinney's shop.

SANTA SUNDAY: Darnley Lodge Hotel Sunday 3rd December 2pm-4.30pm. Parcels €5.

