

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday July 15th 2018

We thank the Camillian Fathers, Killucan for celebrating Mass with us this weekend.

MASS INTENTIONS for the week ahead:

Sat Vigil: Eamonn & Paul Cusack
 Sun 11.30am: Olive & Dick & Michael Rice, Kathleen Ryan
 Sat Vigil: Ronnie & Joseph Heaney
 Sun 9am: Eamonn Smith
 Sun 11.30am: Tom & Kathleen Sheridan

WEEKDAY MASSES: No Masses this week.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD for next weekends' Masses are: Vigil (July 22nd) Louise Keegan 11.30am (July 23rd) Lesley Murtagh.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST for next weekends' Masses are: Vigil (22nd) Deirdre Mc Anarney, Madeline Bracken 11.30am (July 23rd) Frances Walsh, Kathleen Nee, Rose Leavy, Paul Farrell & Don O'Doherty.

COLLECTIONS: Athboy €630, Rathmore €145, Rathcairn €145. Many thanks.

ADORATION OF BLESSED

SACRAMENT: on Friday from 9am and continuing throughout the day until late.

FEASTDAYS in the week ahead:

Mon July 16th – Our Lady of Mount Carmel
 Fri July 20th – St Apollinaris
 Sat July 21st – St Lawrence of Brindisi

REST IN PEACE: Your prayers are requested for Anne O'Flaherty, England (Brigid Loughlin's sister).

CHRIST HAS NO BODY

Christ has no body on earth but yours,
 no hands but yours.
 Your eyes are the eyes through which
 Christ's compassion is to look out on the world.
 Yours are the feet with which He is to go
 about doing good,
 and yours are the hands with which He is to
 bless us now.

St Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)

THANKS: After 23 years as a dedicated sacristan, Bridget Carr will retire from Rathmore Church. We thank her for her commitment and dedication to Rathmore Church and wish her well in her retirement.

BINGO in aid of Church funds takes place on Sunday July 29th at 3pm in the Darnley Hotel. All welcome.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Church gate collections for the parish will be held at all Masses this weekend. Your help goes a long way to helping others.

THE CEMETERY – An Update: Much of the work in the cemetery is completed. However, work will continue for another while to complete this project. We ask you to be patient for the next few weeks.

Fundraising Events for the Cemetery:

- *Envelopes for "Sponsor a Metre of Tarmac"* has so far raised €5,435.
- *Golf Classic:* We thank all who participated in the Golf Classic and those who organised it for the cemetery. The final figure raised is €5,610.
- *Donations* are being accepted on our parish website www.athboyparish.ie by clicking on the "Cemetery Appeal" icon. All debit and credit cards accepted.

DAY OFFERING: Sunday next July 22nd is an offering day for the support of the priests of the parish. (Patron Day Offerings).

BUS TO KNOCK: Wed 15th Aug bus leaving church car park at 9am sharp. Week of Novena to Our Lady of Knock. For more information contact Maureen 046 9432239/086 0788581 or Bridget 086 8721015.

BAPTISMAL MEETING: The next baptismal meeting for parents who wish to have their babies baptised takes place on Monday September 3rd. Please enrol in advance to the Parochial House.

CHY 4 FORMS: If you have received a Chy 4 form recently we would appreciate if you could return it before the end of July. The Revenue Commissioners offer a tax rebate to charities for donations over €250 per year from any individual.

PRAYER AND REFLECTION WEEKEND FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-45) 20-22 July in St Columban's, Dalgan Park. Cost: Donation, own room, all meals. Contact: Sr. Una 0906481666 or email youthretreats@gmail.com

ATHBOY RUGBY CLUB are hosting their annual Golf Classic in the Knightsbrook Golf Course on Sat 21st July. First Tee time 2.18pm. Team of four €200. Tee times can be booked with Senan at 086 066 6233 or at Sadler's Well, Athboy.

MEATH HERITAGE CYCLE TOUR – 28th & 29th July: Family spin on Sat at 5pm. 50km & 100 km on Sunday. Check out www.meathsports.ie for further details.

ST JAMES FEST: Athboy's free family fun day and community celebration on Sunday June 22nd Fair Green, Athboy from 12.30pm to 5pm. Featuring bouncy castles, kid's dance studio, dog show, novelty races. Music by local band Priorland.

HOOLEY IN HIGGINSTOWN for the homeless in aid of "People who Care Share" on Sat 21st July at the Bawn Inn, Athboy from 4pm. BBQ, music, monster raffle.

BECOMING AN AGEWELL COMPANION: Agewell employs men and women aged 50 and older as companions in the Meath area to visit less able older people in their homes. Information sessions are being held on Tues 24 July at 2pm and Wed 25 July at 11.30am in the Third Age Centre Summerhill if you are interested.

As you are aware, Fr. Patrick O'Connor is leaving in August. As a gesture of our appreciation for his years of commitment to our parish, a Mass is being organised for Friday 7th Sept at 7.30pm in St. James' Church followed by a presentation and light refreshments in the Darnley Hotel.

It would be much appreciated if you could make a donation to this very special event. Envelopes will be distributed to each house in the parish by hand in the coming days. These envelopes can be returned to the Parish Office or local Churches before Mon 27th August.

You can also transfer your donation into Presentation Credit Union account:

IBAN: IE68ATCU99218810123637 BIC: ATCUIE21

or you can make a donation in the Credit Union into member account 8246.

Thank you.

