

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday July 8th 2018

MASS INTENTIONS for the week ahead:

Sat Vigil: Michael & Eileen Brogan

Sun 11.30am: Maura Barrett

Wed 9.30am: Mary & Jerry Renehan

Sat Vigil: Eamonn & Paul Cusack

Sun 11.30am: Olive & Dick & Michael Rice,
Kathleen Ryan.

WEEKDAY MASSES: Mon 8am, Tues 7.30pm, Wed & Thurs 9.30am, No Mass on Fri & Sat am.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD for next weekends' Masses are: Vigil (July 14th) Hugh Gibney

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST for next weekends' Masses are: Vigil (14th) Jacinta Farrell, Mary Kearney & Siobhan Kelly. 11.30am (July 15th) Rita Ennis, Mary Finnegan, Jackie Leavy, Robert Gath & Anne Leavy.

COLLECTIONS: Athboy €610, Rathmore €155, Rathcairn €95. Many thanks.

ADORATION OF BLESSED

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

FEASTDAYS in the week ahead:

Mon July 9th – 120 Martyrs Saints of China

Wed July 11th – St Benedict

Thurs July 12th – Sts Louis & Marie-Azelie

Martin, parents of St Thérèse

Fri July 13th – St Henry

Sat July 14th – St Camillus de Lellis, St Kateri Tekakwitha.

REST IN PEACE: Your prayers are requested for Colette Graham, Drimnagh (Jim Timmons' sister).

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.

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

NEW BISHOP: Pope Francis has appointed Canon Thomas Deenihan from the diocese of Cork and Ross to succeed Bishop Michael Smith as the new Bishop of Meath. He will be ordained on Sunday 2nd September.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Church gate collections for the parish will be held at all Masses on July 14th and 15th. Your help goes a long way to helping others.

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.

STUDY THEOLOGY BY DISTANCE LEARNING: Offered by the Priory Institute, Tallaght. Application Deadline: 25th Sept. www.prioryinstitute.com

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

PUBLIC ROSARY will be held in Trim to commemorate the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima at Market Street, Trim under the Court House clock on Friday July 13th at 6pm. All welcome.

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.

ATHBOY ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB: club meeting to take place on Wed 11th July 2.45pm-5pm. Kurling and Boccia on Thursday 12th July 2.30pm-5pm in St James' Hall, Athboy. New members welcome.

SUPPORT WORKER required by the Muiriosa Foundation, South Hill in the Athboy area for 10 hours per week. Applications forms available at www.muiriosa.ie or by phone at 045 532217.

MEATH RURAL SOCIAL SCHEME VACANCY: Due to an expansion of the Rural Social Scheme, Meath Partnership is currently inviting applications from members of the farming community who wish to seek employment on the Scheme in Meath.

Pilgrimages and Retreats this summer....

Knock: Ireland's Marian Shrine, season continues until Oct 14th with Mass, Confessions, Stations of the Cross, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament daily. National Novena in honour of Our Lady of Knock Aug 14-22

Lough Derg: 3-day retreats continue until Mon Aug 13th. One day retreats on various dates throughout August and September. This sacred island is a place of prayer and contemplation, a time to come closer to God, offering no distractions, no interruptions.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Sept 12-17. Athboy Choir will be the pilgrimage choir this year. Bookings to Pilgrimages Abroad 01 6359300.

Catholic Summer Youth Festival: 16th-19th Aug Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co Tipperary. An opportunity to make new friends and explore your faith. www.youth2000.ie

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018: There is very strong demand for tickets for the Papal Mass in the Phoenix Park and we urge people to book online quickly to avoid disappointment. Registration via www.worldmeeting2018.ie If you require assistance in booking online, please contact the Parochial House on Thursday or Friday between 9am and 4pm. Tickets for the Pope's visit to Knock Shrine are booked out.