

ATHBOY PARISH

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Athboy Saturday Vigil 6.15pm
& Sunday 11.30am

Rathmore Sunday 9am

Rathcairn Sunday 10.15am

MASSES DURING THE WEEK:

Mon 8am, Tues 7.30pm,

Wed, Thurs & Fri 9.30am, Sat 10am.

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Sat Vigil: Kathleen McDonagh,
Mary Fagan

Sun 9am: Nancy Garry

Sun 11.30am: Tommy O'Reilly.

Fri 9.30am: Jerry Renehan

Sat Vigil: Elliot Grace

Sun 11.30am: Lily O'Brien

BAPTISM: By appointment. Baptism Preparation Meeting, Tuesday 7th January 2020, please enrol in advance to the Parochial House.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD:

Vigil (Dec 21st): Teresa Doherty

11.30am (Dec 22nd): Jim Brogan

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Vigil (Dec 21st): Jacinta Farrell, Mary Kearney & Robert Gath.

11.30am (Dec 22nd): Rita Ennis, Mary Finnegan, Jackie Leavy & Anne Leavy.

COLLECTIONS: Athboy €765,
Rathmore €145, Rathcairn €180. Thank you for your kind support.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: every Friday after morning Mass until late.

MASSES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

7pm & 10pm on Christmas Eve

9am Rathmore,

10.15am Rathcairn,

11.30am Athboy

REST IN PEACE:

Norín Ní Chaiside, (Valentia Island, Kerry) Gweedore

John Bailey, Park View and late of Navan

Margaret Browne, (nee Smith) Ballyboy West and

Patsy Dillon, Conna, Cork, late of Athboy.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Sunday 15th December 2019

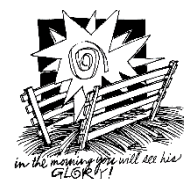


Christmas Bingo & Raffle: in aid of parish funds takes place this Sunday at 3pm in Darnley Hotel. An enjoyable afternoon with lots of great prizes to be won. A sincere word of thanks to the volunteers who organise bingo throughout the year and thank you to all who support us. Special thanks to the sponsors of prizes for the Christmas raffle.

Christmas Triduum of Masses: will be offered on 24, 25 & 26th December. Cards are available to be signed in the sacristy after Mass or from the Parochial House.

Penitential Service: after 7.30pm Mass on Tuesday, visiting priests will assist with hearing confessions.

Empty Manger: During Advent, we wait as the Manger remains empty. At Christmas Baby Jesus in the Manger represents God's greatest Gift, so the emptiness of the Manger during Advent, represents the deep needs of the human heart — needs we experience individually and that the human family has experienced from the beginning of time.



Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Fr Padraig will lead a small group pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine, Lourdes, similar to last year, 17th - 22nd May 2020. Booking and further details 046 9432184.

Church Building Maintenance: last week the gutters and downpipes of the churches in Athboy & Rathcairn were cleaned and roof inspections carried out. The height of the buildings makes this necessary work expensive. Work to clean and mount the statue of Fr O'Growney was completed and the graves of the priests buried beside the church in Athboy were cleaned. Your support of the envelope/standing order collection ensures this essential work takes place.



Advent is a time of call. Mary heard God's call given by the word of the Angel. She accepted the Father's invitation to be part of His great plan for the salvation of world and the Word - Jesus Christ - was made flesh. The ministry of the priest continues this great story. If you have considered your life in service of God and his people as a priest in the Diocese of Meath contact Fr Shane Crombie in Navan frshane@gmail.com or Fr Joe Campbell in Mullingar frjoecampbell@gmail.com more information.

St Vincent de Paul Society: sincerely thank all for their generosity last weekend.

Christmas Carols St James Church of Ireland Sun 22nd Dec 4pm. All welcome.

N51 annual charity walk in aid of the Athboy office of the Society of St Vincent de Paul Sun 29th Dec at 1.00pm. Start & finish at Convent Community Centre. Donation €5 person or €10.00 / family of 4.