

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH  
Sunday 29th December 2019

**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:**

Wed 11 am, Thurs 9.30am

Fri 8am & 7.30pm, Sat 10am.

**MASS INTENTIONS this week:**

**Sat Vigil:** Johnny Carey M.M.  
Tommy & Eileen Maguire & Rita  
O'Dwyer.

**Sun 9am:** Brendan Smith

**Sun 11.30am:** Michael O'Loughlin,  
Annie Jane & Jim Kelly & dec'd family.

**Wed 11am:** Mass for Peace

**Fri 8am & 7.30pm:** List of the Dead

**Sat Vigil:** Rose (Dodie) Smith,  
Anne Ennis, Jim Beirne,  
Bridget O'Connor.

**Sun 9am:** Brian & Teresa Smith

**Sun 11.30am:** John Carolan

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

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD:**

Vigil (Jan 4th): Cormac Ennis

11.30am (Jan 5th): Julie A. Corrigan

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Vigil (Jan 4th): Mary Holland, Elizabeth  
Gough, Paul Doherty & Clive Doherty.

11.30am (Jan 5th): Catherine  
McElhinney, Karen Bennett, Mary  
Fagan & Sarah Coyne.

**COLLECTIONS:** Many thanks for your  
generosity to the various collections  
over Christmas.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** every  
Friday after morning Mass until late.

**REST IN PEACE**

**Nuala Farmer** (nee **Doherty**),  
Ashbourne and late of Otterstown  
**Stephen Mullally**, Kilkenny  
**Liam Murphy**, Navan

**T**hank you to all who helped celebrate  
Christmas in the churches of the parish, to all  
our servers, choirs, musicians, readers,  
Eucharistic Ministers, collectors & stewards,  
sacristans, those who arrange flowers and decorate  
the altar, all who helped prepare the crib and  
everyone who assisted in any way, Míle Buíochas!



*This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, seen as the model for the human family, the religious community, the Church itself. The celebration of the Incarnation has brought us to see God's closeness. In the Holy Family we see the ordinariness of the life of Jesus, the simple acceptance of Mary and Joseph of the marvels of God. In the daily life of family and community we can touch the divine, we can come close to God, but we have to learn to live a life centred on God, with respect and love for each other.*

**New Year's Day:** Mass for Peace on Wednesday at 11am.

*"The ecological conversion for which we are appealing will lead us to a new way of looking at life, as we consider the generosity of the Creator who has given us the earth and called us to a share it in joy and moderation. This conversion must be understood in an integral way, as a transformation of how we relate to our sisters and brothers, to other living beings, to creation in all its rich variety and to the Creator who is the origin and source of all life. For Christians, it requires that "the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them." - Laudato Si. Pope Francis Message for World Day of Prayer for Peace 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020*

**WISHING ALL THE FAMILIES OF OUR PARISH EVERY  
BLESSING AND HAPPINESS IN 2020.**

**Christmas Offerings:** Thank you for your generosity.

**First Friday:** Fr Pdraig will attend the sick on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan.



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

**Weekend Funerals:** Saturday funerals will be celebrated at 10am  
and any Mass intention previously arranged, will also be included  
with the funeral Mass.

The established Sunday arrangement for the country churches  
remains, whereby funerals takes place in Rathmore or Rathcairn at  
2pm and the morning Mass is cancelled.

**Social Dance** Girley Hall Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 6-9pm in aid of the  
homeless.