

## ATHBOY PARISH

Parochial House

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### MASSES TIMES:

Sun 9am,

10.15am (as Gaeilge)  
& 11.30am

Tues 7.30pm

Wed, Thurs & Fri 9.30am

Sat 10am & 6.15pm (Vigil)

### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

**Sat Vigil:** Johnny Carey

P J, Frances, & Val Connell,  
Eugene & Lily Sheridan

**Sunday morning: 11.30am:**

Denis McCann

**Tues 7.30pm:** Margaret &

Peter Smyth

**Thurs 9.30am:** Séamus &

Éilís O'Muiré, Orán O'Muiré

**Friday 9.30am:** List of the Dead

**Sat 10am:** Maureen Doherty  
& dec'd Feeney family

**Sat Vigil:** Frank Howard MM

Tony & Phyllis O'Connor

**Sunday morning:**

**9am:** Ellen & Edward Wallace

**11.30am:** Don O'Doherty MM

Tom Farrell,

Jimmy & Maureen Magee

### REST IN PEACE

Pat Clyne

Clonmellon

Gerry Murray

Tullamore

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday 29th November 2020

**Level 3 restrictions now permit celebrating weekday and Sunday Mass with a congregation. All Masses are celebrated in Athboy Church because of its capacity for social distancing. Please wear a face covering when coming to Mass. To prevent the spread of Covid-19, please observe the following:**

**When coming to Mass please ....**

- use hand sanitizer as you enter the church
- sit with members of your household & distance from others
- no more than two households per seat
- kneeling is not permitted in some seats to ensure distancing
- wear a mask or face covering to protect others
- receive Holy Communion on your hands
- help us - by cleaning the space you occupy after Mass
- avoid the sacristy area
- observe social distancing **outside the church** before & after Mass
- if you feel unwell please remain at home and seek medical advice

**A**dvent (from 'ad-venire' in Latin or "to come to") is the Church season encompassing the four Sundays and weekdays leading up to the celebration of Christmas. Advent is a time of spiritual preparation for the Lord's coming at Christmas and also prepares us for the second coming of Christ at the end of time.

Advent and Christmas are likely to be very different this year. Advent, as a time of patient, hopeful waiting and longing, will have a particular resonance in these times, while the much needed joy of Christmas may well be tempered by the impact of restrictions.

**Baptisms:** now that small indoor gatherings are permitted, parents can phone the Parochial House to arrange baptisms.

**LMFM Broadcast:** thank you to LMFM for broadcasting Mass from Athboy this weekend and to all involved in the liturgy.



**St Vincent de Paul** Athbag Initiative are hosting an online fundraising auction on Friday 4th-5th December in aid of

Athboy St Vincent de Paul. They are asking people, businesses and crafters for support. Unwanted gifts, vouchers and hampers would be appreciated. Please contact: [athbagsinfo@yahoo.com](mailto:athbagsinfo@yahoo.com) or find them on FB, <https://fb.me/e/1RqWqMTEI>

### Parish Finance:

- **Offerings and Envelopes** can be placed in the collection box in the centre of the church or in the letter box at Parochial House.
- **Donate online** via [athboyparish.ie](http://athboyparish.ie) - click on the "Make a donation" icon.
- **Direct Debit** facility - forms available in the church or from Parochial House.
- **Thank You** for your support.

**Vacancy for caretaker** of Athboy & Rathmore Church and cemetery grounds as part of the Athboy Community Employment Scheme. Contact Terry at 087 4468267