

## ATHBOY PARISH

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### MASSES TIMES this week:

**Sun** 9am, 10.15am (as Gaeilge)  
& 11.30am

**Monday** 8am **Tues** 7.30pm,  
**Wed** 9.30am

**Thursday Christmas Eve:** 9.30am

**Sat** 11am & 6.15pm (Vigil)

### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

**Sat Vigil:** Elliot Grace

Kathleen McDonagh

Mary Fagan

Tommy O'Reilly

### Sunday morning:

**10.15am:** Seamus, Maire, &  
Padraig MacGearailt

**11.30am:** Angela Haran  
Martin & Mollie Doherty  
& dec'd family.

**Wed 9.30am:** Private Intention

**Thursday - Christmas Eve**

**6pm:** Nuala Farmer

**10pm:** Jim, Lena & Mary Foy  
Mona Dineen,  
Billy & May Bryan

**Saturday - St Stephen's Day**

**Vigil:** Thomas & Eileen

Maguire & Rita O'Dwyer

### Sunday morning:

**9am:** Anne & George

Tugwell and son John

**10.15am:** Clann MacDonncha  
& Griofa

**11.30am:** Michael O'Loughlin

### REST IN PEACE

**Christine Wilton**

*Connaught Grove*

**Eileen Murray**

*Tullamore*

### Offertory Collection

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December

*Athboy €485, Rathmore €150  
& Rathcairn €120 Thank You!*

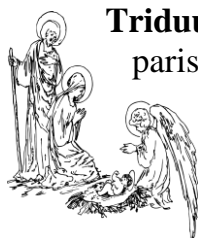
## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday 20th December 2020

**Level 3 restrictions permit celebrating weekday and Sunday Mass with a congregation. All Masses are celebrated in Athboy Church because of its capacity for social distancing. To prevent the incidence of Covid-19 rising, when coming to Mass please ....**

- use hand sanitizer as you enter the church
- sit with members of your household & respect social distancing
- 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
- maintain social distancing **outside the church** before & after Mass
- 25 people may attend a funeral
- volunteers welcome on Saturday morning to assist with cleaning
- if you feel unwell please remain at home and seek medical advice

**Thank you** to our volunteers who assist with regular sanitising of our church. Thanks to our stewards for their help, and to all who help in any way with making gathering in church safe for everyone.



**Triduum of Masses for Christmas:** will be offered for parishioners' intentions on 26<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> December, cards available from the Parochial House and sacristy. This year we will include the intentions of all who could not travel home to be with loved ones for Christmas in Athboy, Rathmore and Rathcairn.

**Parish Finance:** Christmas is the Principal **Offering Day** for the support of the priest in the parishes of our diocese. Thank you for your generous support during a challenging year for so many. **Offerings** and the **Offertory Collection** can be placed in the buckets or collection box as you enter or exit the church.

### Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Mass Times

Christmas Eve - 4pm, 6pm, 8pm & 10pm

Christmas Day - 8.30am, 10am & 11.30am

Mass from Athboy can be viewed live on the Athboy Parish Facebook page at 6pm & 8pm on Christmas Eve and 11.30am on Christmas morning - accessible on [athboyparish.ie](http://athboyparish.ie)

- Please arrive early and enter the church by the main door with all your family
- Wait to be seated by the stewards and please comply with their instructions when exiting the church
- Side Entrance will be for exit only

**Christmas Message from Bishop Tom Deenihan:** available on the parish website [athboyparish.ie](http://athboyparish.ie).