

ATHBOY PARISH

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MASSES TIMES this week:

Sun 9am,

10.15am (as Gaeilge)

& 11.30am

Monday 8am & 7.30pm

Tues 11.30am & 7.30pm

Wed, Thurs & Fri 9.30am

Sat 10am & 6.15pm (Vigil)

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Sat Vigil: Tony & Phyllis
O'Connor

Sunday morning:

9am: Ellen & Edward
Wallace

11.30am: Don O'Doherty MM
Tom Farrell,

Jimmy & Maureen Magee

Tues 11.30am:

John & Rose Sullivan &
Edward & Mary O'Connor

Tues 7.30pm: John Bailey

Wed 9.30am: Bernard &
Sadie Brennan

Sat 10am: Dan & Maureen
Prendergast

Sat Vigil: Marilyn Smith MM
Phil & Margaret Browne

Sunday morning:

9am: Jim & Mary Smyth

11.30am: Liam Healy MM

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday 6th December 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
- 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

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

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

Tuesday 8th December. *We celebrate Mary who from the first instant of her existence in the womb of her mother Anne, was "by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God, and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, preserved free from all stain of original sin."*
Vigil Mass Monday 7.30pm, Masses Tuesday 11.30am & 7.30pm.

Second Sunday of Advent: St John the Baptist calls us to straighten out our lives, lower the mountains of pride so that God's grace can lead us to do what he wants with us.



Triduum of Masses for Christmas: will be offered parishioners intentions on 26th, 28th & 29th December, cards available from the Parochial House and sacristy.

Parish Finance: Offertory Collection can be placed in the buckets or collection box as you enter or exit the church - thank you for your support.

Athboy Business Association are selling Town Vouchers this month. They cost €20, can be spent in 35 local businesses, available in the Credit Union, Smyth's Newsagents or by contacting businessesofathboy@gmail.com

St Vincent de Paul are holding their Christmas church gate collection this weekend.

Christmas arrangements, extra Masses are being scheduled for Christmas Eve.

- To regulate numbers attending, entrance will be by ticket.
- Tickets will be available on the weekend 19/20th December after Masses.
- No bookings will be taken by phone or email.
- Please decide in advance, what Mass you wish to attend with your household.

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Mass Times

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

Christmas Day - 8.30am, 10am & 11.30am

