

**ATHBOY PARISH**

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**Public Masses are currently suspended**  
**Mass will be broadcast on our parish facebook page**

**MASSES TIMES this week:**

**Sunday:** Vigil: 6.15pm (Sat)  
 10.15am (as Gaeilge)  
 & 11.30am

**Tuesday:** 7.30pm

**Wed, Thurs & Fri:** 9.30am

**Saturday:** 10am

**MASS INTENTIONS this week:**

**Sat Vigil:** Phyllis & Larry  
 Geraghty & son Martin

**Sunday morning:**

**11.30am:** Catherine Graham &  
 Annie Brady,

Paddy, Peggy & James Herbert

**Tue 7.30pm:** Chris Gargan &  
 parents Philip & Annie

**Sat Vigil:** May & Jim Tuite

REST IN PEACE

Gertrude McPhail

USA

Today is Candlemass Offering Day, thank you for your support.

**Level 5 restrictions prohibit indoor gatherings including weekday and Sunday Mass.**

- Fr Pdraig will celebrate Mass in the Parochial House Oratory during the current restrictions. It can be viewed on the parish facebook page which can also be accessed on [www.athboyparish.ie](http://www.athboyparish.ie)
- Athboy Church remains open for private prayer
- Level 5 permits attendance of 10 people at a funeral, names & phone numbers must be submitted in advance for contact tracing purposes
- We pray for victims of covid, their families and all who are working to keep us safe.



**Adoration of the Eucharist:** in Athboy Church on Fridays 10am - 1pm.

**1<sup>st</sup> February, Feast of St Brigid:** Abbess and Secondary Patron of Ireland, renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. Brigid was born at Faughart, near Dundalk around the year 454 and received the veil and her spiritual formation from St Mel. She established her convent in Kildare. The St Brigid's Cross, in legend used by Brigid to explain the Christian faith, remains a popular sign of God's protection.

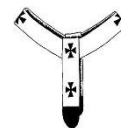


**2<sup>nd</sup> February, Presentation of the Lord:** forty days after the birth of Jesus we celebrate his Presentation in the Temple. Simeon recognised Jesus as "a light to reveal God to the nations." This feast is also known as Candlemass Day and candles used on the altar during the coming year will be blessed during Mass.



**3<sup>rd</sup> February, St Blaise:** died in 315, was bishop of Sebaste, martyred in Armenia. Blaise is believed to have been a physician before becoming a bishop. Since the 8<sup>th</sup> century he has been venerated as patron of those who suffer from sickness of the throat.

**Installation of the Archbishop of Dublin:** on Tuesday next, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Bishop Dermot Farrell will be installed as Archbishop of Dublin. Please keep him in your prayers as he begins his ministry in Dublin.



**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:** ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

**Parish Finance:** sincere thanks to all for your financial support.

- **Candlemass 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** - forms available in the church or from Parochial House.