

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: May & Jim Tuite

Sunday morning:

11.30am: Liam Houston

Tue 7.30pm: Bett Treacy,
 Dodie & Tom Potterton

Sat 10am: Jimmy & Bernie
 Crowcock

Maureen Holmes

Sat Vigil: Mary McKiernan MM
 Dr Derrick Waldron-Lynch

Sunday morning:

11.30am: Michael O'Connor
 Geraldine Arthur
 Sean Byrne

REST IN PEACE

John Carberry

Mooneystown

Kathleen Coffey

Dublin

Pat Gardiner

Ballivor

Fr Joe McKeever P.E.

Crossmaglen

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

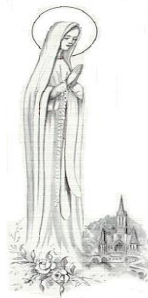
- Fr Pdraig will celebrate Mass in the Parochial House Oratory during the current restrictions. It can be viewed on the parish facebook page which can also be accessed on www.athboyparish.ie
- Athboy Church remains open for private prayer
- Level 5 permits attendance of 10 people at a funeral, names & 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.



11th February, feast of Our Lady of Lourdes - World Day of Prayer for the Sick: in Athboy Church, a side altar & the stained glass window above it, depict the eighteen apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to St. Bernadette Soubirous. These happened in 1858 in Lourdes in southern France and since then Lourdes has been a world centre of pilgrimage with special appeal to the sick. 70 cases of unexplained cures have been recognised as miraculous by the church since the apparitions of Our Lady.



Parish Finance - Diocesan Cess: during the week the parish received our annual bill for €8,094 from the Diocesan Office in Mullingar. This levy is paid every year by all 69 parishes in the diocese and the amount is determined by the population of the parish. Due to covid-19 restrictions, we have been unable to gather for Sunday or weekday Mass for 7 of the past 12 months.

In **2019** offertory collections amounted to **€61,660**.

In **2020** offertory collections amounted to **€28,390**.

In Athboy an average of 100 parishioners are returning a weekly contribution by envelope or standing order, 5 families return a contribution in Rathmore and 8 families in Rathcairn. A small number of parishioners make an annual contribution.

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 - click on the "Make a donation" icon.
- **Direct Debit** - forms available in the church or from Parochial House.

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.