

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021 - St James the Apostle

### ATHBOY PARISH

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#### MASSES TIMES this week:

**Sunday:** Vigil: 6.15pm (Sat)

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

**Monday:** 8am

**Tuesday:** 7.30pm

**Wednesday:** 9.30am

**Thurs & Fri:** no Mass

**Saturday:** 10am

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 5.45pm

#### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

**Sat Vigil:** Mairead & John Tyrrell  
Chris Nixon

#### Sunday morning:

**9am:** Eamonn Smith

**11.30am:** Mattie Bennett

**Tues 7.30pm:** Nicholas Darby  
& Tony O'Reilly

**Sat 10am:** Mary Mullen MM

**Sat Vigil:** Philomena Lynch  
Tom Farrell

#### Next Sunday morning:

**9am:** Betty McGovern

**11.30am:** Seamus Gantley

**BAPTISMS:** may be booked by  
contacting the Parochial House.

#### Offertory Collection

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Athboy €570

Rathmore €155 Thank

Rathcairn €180 You!

#### REST IN PEACE

**Catherine McConnell**

Rahoney

**Aidan Kavanagh**

Mooneystown

Today is the feast of St James the Apostle, patron of our parish. James is believed to be the first of the apostles martyred. Tradition holds that James brought the Gospel to Spain. For centuries, the scallop shell of St James, typically found on the sea coast in Galicia, northern Spain, has been the symbol of the Camino de Santiago, and its pilgrims. Pilgrims returned to their countries of origin wearing the scallop concha shell over their habit or hat to demonstrate that they had reached Santiago and its famous gothic cathedral. According to tradition, when the remains of St James were originally unearthed, it was said to be covered in scallop shells.



Today is **Patron Offering Day** for the support of the priest.

**Offering Envelopes** can be placed in the collection box in the centre of the church or in the letter box at Parochial House.

**Offertory Collection** in line with public health advice, the collection baskets are no longer passed among the congregation at offertory time. Parishioners may financially support the parish by making a contribution in the white buckets located at the entrances to the church. You can contribute as you enter or as you leave the church. Thank you for your support.



**Online Donations:** via the parish website [athboyparish.ie](http://athboyparish.ie)



**Drive-in Bingo:** in aid of parish funds today at 3pm in Convent Grounds. Great prizes to be won!



Pope Francis has established **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**, which takes place today for the first time. The Holy Father reminds us that grandparents and elders have a mission to encourage young people on their faith journey. *“How important grandparents are for family life, for passing on the human and religious heritage which is so essential for each and every society! How important it is to have intergenerational exchanges and dialogue, especially within the context of the family.”* Pope Francis

**Anniversary Masses:** when booking an anniversary Mass, please be flexible with the date involved, as we try to regulate numbers attending Mass at the weekend.

**Adoration of the Eucharist:** in Athboy Church on Fridays after 9.30am Mass - 1pm.



**Tlachtga Comhaltas** are presenting an outdoor concert of traditional music on the Fair Green today between 4pm and 6 pm and also on Sundays August 8<sup>th</sup> and August 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Holy Communion Ceremonies:** set for Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August may be subject to change later in the summer, depending on Government restrictions.