

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE)

Sunday 12th December 2021

ATHBOY PARISH

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MASSES TIMES this week:

Sunday: Vigil: 6.15pm (Sat) Athboy

9am Rathmore

10.15am Rathcairn

11.30am Athboy

Monday: 8am

Tuesday: 7.30pm

Wed, Thurs & Friday: 9.30am

Saturday: 10am

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5-6pm,
after Vigil & 11.30am Masses

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Saturday Vigil: Mary Fagan

Sunday morning:

9am: Tom Farrell

10.15: Muintir MacDhonnchadha,

Muintir Flood & Muintir OCualainn

11.30am: funeral Billy O'Connell

Monday 8am: Christine Wilton

Tuesday 7.30pm: John O'Donnell,
brothers Jim, Billy & Peter,
parents Nora & Patrick

Sat 10am: Peggy Fulham

Saturday Vigil: Kathleen McDonagh

Next Sunday morning:

9am: Nancy Garry

10.15: Muintir MacDhonnchadha

11.30am: Tommy O'Reilly

Margaret, Bernard & Mary Monaghan

BAPTISMS: may be booked by
contacting the Parochial House.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 5th December

Athboy €640

Rathmore €140 Thank

Rathcairn €145 You!

RIP

Billy O'Connell,

Cloran Road

Jim Bradley,

St James' Tce & Fordstown

Pat O'Malley,

Dunderry

- Please continue to wear face covering at all times in the church.
- Please use the hand sanitizers as you enter the church.
- Our church continues to be sanitized regularly for the safety of all.



On this third weekend of Advent, the pink candle on the wreath is lit. Gaudete Sunday, is regarded as a day of particular joy because we are past the halfway point in Advent and Christmas will soon follow. The theme of joy is found in the words of St Paul in his letter to Philippians, "I want you to be happy, ...the Lord is very near."



St Vincent de Paul: Christmas church gate collection this weekend at all Masses. You may have received an envelope from the SVP in the post, if you would like to donate with this envelope you can drop it into the church gate collection, or the post office or into Vincent's shop. Your support is appreciated.

Christmas Bingo & Raffle: in aid of church funds in the Darnley Hotel at 3pm on next Sunday 19th December. List of raffle prizes shown on the church noticeboard, lines are €4 each. Thank you to all who organise and support the parish bingo and to all those who sponsor prizes.



Triduum of Masses for Christmas: will be offered for parishioners' intentions on 27th, 28th & 29th December, a limited number of cards featuring an image of the crib in Athboy Church are available for €5 from Fr Pdraig at Parochial House or sacristy.



Using cheques: if making a donation to the parish by cheque, please make the cheque payable to **Athboy Church**.

Advent: Heavenly Father, in your mercy grant us your saving help during this Advent time as we try more earnestly to grow together in holiness and faith in the light of Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.



Christmas Mass Arrangements

Christmas Eve, Friday - 5pm, 7pm & 9pm Athboy

**Christmas Day, Saturday - 9am Rathmore,
10.15am Rathcairn & 11.30am Athboy**

**St Stephen's Day, Sunday - 9am Rathmore,
10.15am Rathcairn & 11.30am Athboy**

Confessions for Christmas

Saturday 18th December, 5pm - 6pm & after Vigil Mass
Sunday 19th December, after 11.30am Mass

If you bring this missalette to your seat, please take it home with you after Mass