

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

### ATHBOY PARISH

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#### MASS TIMES this week:

**Sunday:** Vigil 6.15pm Athboy (Sat)  
9am Rathmore  
10.15am Rathcairn  
11.30am Athboy

#### No weekday Masses this week

#### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

**Vigil 6.15pm:** Mary McKiernan

#### Sunday morning:

**9am:** Peter & Mary Lynch

**11.30am:** Teresa Doherty

(died recently in England, funeral in England 24<sup>th</sup> Jan)

**Next Sat 6.15pm:** Phyllis & Larry Geraghty, their son Martin

#### Next Sunday morning:

**9am:** Philomena Carolan

**11.30am:** Ann Brady & dec family  
Patsy Mahon & dec family

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

#### Offertory Collection

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January

Athboy €890

Rathmore €160 Thank

Rathcairn €175 You!

RIP

**Bridie McKenna**

Mullingar

- 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.

#### Catholic Schools Week: 23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> January

This year's theme: *Living Life to the Full*

As we adapt to the many challenges and changes that the COVID-19 pandemic has caused, we are given the opportunity to reflect on the things that give our lives meaning. For some, it is family, friends, community sports or hobbies. For Catholics, it is God's love and wish for us to know and love him that gives life ultimate meaning. Jesus Christ is the revelation of this love, realised through his life, death and resurrection. In response to this, we reflect upon how Catholic schools are communities where we live life to the full.

Every Catholic school fosters the holistic development of its students, promotes their wellbeing and encourages them to learn and nurture their talent and skills. Each child has the potential to change the world for the better, making it a kinder, more inclusive and more welcoming place.

This week, we celebrate the gifts and talents we have in following Jesus' teaching. This year, we celebrate how we are called to be communities of faith and resilience, through our thoughts, words and actions. In doing so, we follow the words of Jesus in John's Gospel: *'I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full.'*

**Penance and Holy Communion for the First Time:** for children in the schools of our parish will be celebrated as follows:

#### Sacrament of Penance

Rathmore: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2pm

Rathcairn: Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2pm

Athboy: Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 7pm

#### Holy Communion for the first time

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 9am, Rathmore Church

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 10.15am, Rathcairn Church

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 10am, Athboy Church

These dates and arrangements are subject to change if there is any change in public health restrictions.

**School Enrolment:** the closing date for new enrolments for O'Growney National School, Athboy, Academic Year 2022/23, is next Friday 28th January 2022. Pre-enrolment forms available from the school, email: [office@ogrowneys.ie](mailto:office@ogrowneys.ie)

**Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 23-27 May 2022. It is hoped that a small group led by Fr Padraig will travel to Our Lady's Shrine in Lourdes during May. The package will include direct return flights, airport transfers in Lourdes, 4 nights' accommodation in the Hotel La Solitude on full board basis and the services of the Joe Walsh Lourdes team throughout the pilgrimage. Further details from Fr. Padraig.

