

## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022

### ATHBOY PARISH

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#### MASSES TIMES this week:

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

**Monday** 8am,

**Wednesday** 9.30am & 7.30pm

**Thurs & Friday** 9.30am

**Saturday:** 10am

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 5.45pm

#### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

**Sat Vigil:** Noreen Frawley MM  
Patrick Flynn

#### Sunday morning:

**9am:** Bob & Christina Mullen and  
deceased grandchildren

**10.15am:** Teresa & Frank Farrell

**11.30am:** Patrick Hamilton  
Patrick Smyth

**Wed 9.30am:** William & Eileen  
McGovern

**Thurs 9.30am:** Christy & Annie Fox,  
Matt Mooney

**Fri 9.30am:** List of the Dead

**Sat 10am:** Bill Brady

**Next Sat Vigil:** John Leavy  
Patricia & Dan O'Shea

#### Next Sunday morning:

**9am:** Kathleen & Hugh Lynagh

**11.30am:** Marietta McMahon  
Kitty Beirne  
Niall Sheridan

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

#### Offertory Collection

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February

**Athboy** €745

**Rathmore** €110 Thank

**Rathcairn** €105 You!

#### RIP

**Joan Irwin,**  
*Moygreehan*

**Lent:** begins on Ash Wednesday this week. It is a forty-day liturgical season of fasting, prayer and alms-giving in preparation for Easter. We recall the forty days and nights Jesus spent in the wilderness after his baptism, during which he prayed and fasted, before he started to preach, teach and heal. We are invited during these spring days, to unite ourselves more closely to Jesus by praying, fasting and helping the poor in whatever way we can.

On Ash Wednesday, we sprinkle ashes on our foreheads as a sign of sorrow for our sin and a desire to repent and be forgiven.

**Mass times on Ash Wednesday 9.30am & 7.30pm in Athboy Church.** Ashes will be blessed and distributed at both Masses.

**Trócaire Boxes and Envelopes:** are available in the church and we invite every home to take a Trócaire Box and use it to assist developing communities to improve the lives of those less fortunate than ourselves.

**Synod: Everyone is Invited!** Bishop Deenihan has issued a letter on the Synodal Pathway which is available to read on the parish website [athboyparish.ie](http://athboyparish.ie). The Synod has been called by Pope Francis in order to listen to the living voice of the entire People of God. Everyone has their own experience of following Christ, parents, parents with young families, grandparents, young people who are working, in school or college, those married or single.

Whether you feel distant from or close to what is happening in your parish, you are invited to join in discussion and prayer to discern where the Holy Spirit is leading the Church. This will be happening in every parish in the world. The parishes in Trim Deanery which includes Athboy, are planning gatherings during March, one will take place in Athboy Church on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March after 7.30pm Mass. All are welcome.



**Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 23-27<sup>th</sup> May 2022. 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.

**Bingo** in aid of parish funds on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm in the Darnley Hotel.



**Clothing Collection:** Thank you to all who donated old clothing to our collection, we appreciate your support.

**Athboy St Patrick's Day Parade** returns at 12.30pm on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022! The theme this year is "Go Green!" To assist with fundraising your support would be appreciated at a Table Quiz in Floods on March 3rd and Music on Main Street on March 5th.