

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,

Tuesday 7.30pm

Wed, Thurs & Friday 9.30am

Saturday: 10am

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5.45pm

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Ronnie & Joseph Heaney

Private Intention

Sunday morning:

9am: Eamonn Smith

10.15am: Tom & Nan NíMhaolain

11.30am: Mairead & John Tyrrell

Tom, Kathleen & Vincent

Sheridan

Patrick & Brigid Maguire,

daughter Maisie

Kathleen Ryan

Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Owen & Kitty Murtagh,

their granddaughter Laura

Joan & Michael Coleman, dec family

Next Sunday morning:

9am: Betty McGovern

11.30am: Aidan & Nora Kavanagh

Philomena Lynch

Ned & Julia Brogan

BAPTISMS: may be booked by contacting the Parish Office.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 17th July

Athboy €610

Rathmore €185 Thank

Rathcairn €135 You!

RIP

Danny Doherty

Moygrehan

Tom Collins,

Gillstown

Seamus Farnan

Navan

Noel Lynskey

Bohermeen

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 24th July 2022

Patron Day Offerings: today 24th July, thank you for your support. Monday 25th July is the **Feast of St James**, patron of our parish. James and his brother John were fishermen, sons of Zebedee. James is believed to be the first of the apostles to die for Christ. His shrine is at Compostella in Spain.

Today is **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**. It is celebrated on the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Grandparents of Jesus (26th July). The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is: "*In old age they will still bear fruit*" (Psalm 92:15).

"Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness: a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future. "The special sensibility that those of us who are elderly have for the concerns, thoughts and the affections that make us human should once again become the vocation of many. It would be a sign of our love for the younger generations". This would be our own contribution to the *revolution of tenderness*, a spiritual and non-violent revolution in which I encourage you, dear grandparents and elderly persons, to take an active role.

Dear grandparents, dear elderly persons, we are called to be artisans of the *revolution of tenderness* in our world! Let us do so by learning to make ever more frequent and better use of the most valuable instrument at our disposal and, indeed, the one best suited to our age: prayer. "Let us too become, as it were, poets of prayer: let us develop a taste for finding our own words, let us once again take up those taught by the word of God". Our trustful prayer can do a great deal: it can accompany the cry of pain of those who suffer, and it can help change hearts. We can be "the enduring 'chorus' of a great spiritual sanctuary, where prayers of supplication and songs of praise sustain the community that toils and struggles in the field of life". Pope Francis

Cemetery Devotions will take place in:

Rathmore Abbey, 7.30pm, Wednesday 10th August

Bank Changes: if using a cheque to contribute to the parish, please make it payable to **Athboy Church**.

Parishioners who use direct payment to the parish and are customers of Ulster Bank, are asked to contact the Parish Office if changing accounts.

Next Bingo: in aid of Parish Funds, Sunday 7th August at 3pm, in the Darnley Hotel.



Meath Diocese Pilgrimage to Knock: at the start of the Knock Novena on Sunday 14th August. The Pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Tom Deenihan.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 12-17 September, led by Bishop Tom Deenihan.

Booking forms available from: Joe Walsh Tours,

69 O'Connell St, Dublin 1. Tel: 01-2410800. The pilgrimage this year is for Hotel Pilgrims only.

