

## TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 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

**Monday** 8am

**Tuesday** 7.30pm

**Wed, Thursday & Friday** 9.30am

**Saturday:** 10am

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 5.45pm

#### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

**Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:** Leo Wright  
Johnny & Maureen Leavy  
Jack & Nancy Holland, dec family  
Frank, Sean, Edmund, Mary & Nan

#### Sunday morning:

**11.30am:** Andrew Cullen

**Thu 9.30am:** Roseamma Varghese

#### Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Patrick & Kathleen Corrigan  
& dec family

Oliver Cummins

John & Mary Doherty

#### Next Sunday morning:

**9am:** Peter Herbert

**10.15am** Colm Báille,  
Jimmy & Kathleen Báille

**11.30am:** Ann Sheridan  
Frank Glennon  
Mary & Packie McKiernan

**BAPTISMS:** may be booked by  
contacting the Parish Office.

#### Offertory Collection

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August

**Athboy** €725

**Rathmore** €175 Thank

**Rathcairn** €160 You!

#### RIP

**Garvan MacFadden**

*Drogheda*

**Bingo:** in aid of Parish Funds, next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>  
September at 3pm, in the Darnley Hotel.



**The Season of Creation 2022** runs from September 1st to October 4th (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi). This Season is an opportunity to respond to the call of Pope Francis to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. The theme for this year's season is "Listen to the Voice of Creation" and takes the story of



The Burning Bush  
Ex 3:1-12

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SEASON OF CREATION 2022

Moses and the Burning Bush as its inspiration: "I have heard their cry...I know their sufferings...Come, now! I will send

you...I will be with you" (Ex 3: 1-12).

Today, the prevalence of unnatural fires are a sign of the devastating effects that climate change has on the most vulnerable of our planet. Creation cries out as forests burn, animals flee, and people are forced to migrate. Record temperatures across the world this year have shown us that climate change is affecting all regions and all systems and will make parts of the world uninhabitable.

The fire that called to Moses as he tended the flock on Mt. Horeb, did not destroy the bush. This flame of the Spirit revealed God's presence, affirmed that God heard the cries of all who suffered and promised to be with them and us.

This symbol of God's Spirit calls the Christian family to awaken to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and with each other and to encourage our parish communities to do the same, "for we know that things can change!" (Laudato Si', 13).

#### Sacraments of Penance, Holy Communion & Confirmation:

parents of children attending parish schools in **Athboy, Rathmore & Rathcairn** and whose children will celebrate the sacraments in 2023, are invited to meetings as outlined below.

For parents of children receiving **Confirmation** on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 8pm Athboy Church.

For parents of children receiving **Penance & Holy Communion**, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 8pm, Athboy Church

#### 8<sup>th</sup> Sept, Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

*"We celebrate the birth of Mary, who brought the dawn of hope and salvation to the world. She is the true Ark of the Covenant, the temple of God, because her body received the one Mediator."*

#### Parish Finance:

new boxes of envelopes for distribution in the parish are being prepared. We are very grateful to all parishioners for your financial support during the year, which helps maintain the three churches in our parish. Some parishioners use a standing order facility to support the parish, Standing Order Forms are available in the church or from Parochial House if you would like to contribute directly through your bank. If you would be willing to start contributing a weekly envelope, please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr Padraig.



**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2023:** It is hoped to organise a pilgrimage to the land of Jesus Christ, featuring visits to Nazareth, Cana, Mount Tabor, Capernaum and other sites in Galilee as well as Bethlehem and Jerusalem. A leaflet with information is available from Fr Padraig.

