

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

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Saturday Vigil

6.15pm: Paddy Lavelle
Patrick Flynn

Sunday

9am: Bob & Christina Mullen & dec
grandchildren

11.30am: Pat Hamilton

Geraldine Arthur nee Murphy
Patrick Smyth
Andy Byrne

Tues 7.30pm: Ettie Lynch, dec family

Fri 9.30am: List of the Dead

Next Saturday Vigil

6.15pm: John Leavy

Patricia & Dan O'Shea
Marietta McMahon

Next Sunday

9am: Kathleen & Hugh Lynagh

11.30am: Special Intention

BAPTISMS: may be booked by
contacting the Parish Office.

Offertory Collections

Sunday 19th February

Athboy €755

Rathmore €200 Thank

Rathcairn €185 You!

Confirmation €815

Thank you for your most
generous response to the
collection for Turkey – Syria
earthquake aid.

RIP

Eimear Gilroy

Hill of Ward

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 26th February 2023

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent began as a period of fasting and preparation for baptism by new converts and then became a time of penance by all Christians. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, growing as disciples and extending themselves, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.

During Lent many people attend a weekday Mass, pray the Stations of the Cross, or simply take time to pray privately.



Adoration of the Eucharist: every Friday after 9.30am Mass. During Lent, new adorers are welcome to support additional hours in the afternoon, a sign-in book is available at the back of Athboy church.



Trócaire: marks its 50th anniversary this year with the launch of its annual Lenten Appeal which this year will support the millions of people in hunger crisis in Somalia. Established in 1973 by the Irish Bishops, Trócaire has changed the lives of tens of millions of people around the world over the past five decades. Its annual Lenten appeal sees the iconic Trócaire Box displayed in hundreds of thousands of schools, churches, and homes all over the country in the build up to Easter. Trócaire boxes are available in our churches.

Confirmation: Congratulations to all who were confirmed in Athboy Church on Friday. Thank you to everyone who helped prepare for the ceremony, the volunteers who cleaned the church, organist Noel Griffin, the choir and instrumentalists for the sacred music, the stewards, servers, Carmel for the flowers and Mary in the sacristy.



Thank you to the sixth-class teachers in our three parish schools and to the parents of those confirmed, for supporting the Confirmation candidates in their faith.



Next Bingo in aid of our parish funds, Sunday next 5th March at 3pm in Darnley Lodge Hotel. Thanks to all who play and support us.

Irish Catholic: available weekly in Athboy Church, €2.50

Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Fr Padraig will lead a parish pilgrimage to Lourdes, 22 – 27th May. Fare includes five nights accommodation and full board at Hotel Solitude and direct flights to Lourdes. If you are interested in travelling, contact Fr Padraig. Booking with Joe Walsh Tours at 01 2410800.

