## 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& Thursday 7.30pm

**Wed & Thurs** 9.30am

St Patrick's Day

*Friday* 9am, 10.15am & 11.30am

Saturday 10am

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 5.45pm

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm: George Burke

Sunday

9am: Denis, Thomas & Elizabeth Farnan

11.30am: Tom Buckley

Jay & Bridie Keogh

Bridget, William & Richard Wright

Tue 7.30pm: William & Mary

O'Reilly & deceased family

**Thu 7.30pm:** Catherine & Christopher Ennis

Fri 11.30am: Michael Sheehan

**Next Saturday Vigil** 

**6.15pm**: Eimear Gilroy

Mícheál Corrigan

Next Sunday, 9am: Joe Wallace 10.15am Colm & Monica Uí Chatháin

agus clann

11.30am: Con Kelly

Kitty & Jim Beirne

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

## **Offertory Collections**

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March

**Athboy** €850

**Rathmore** €155 Thank

**Rathcairn** €155 You!

RIP

John Kelly

Fosterfields

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 12th March 2023

ent is a penitential season of expressed sorrow and repentance. The 40 days are set aside to examine areas of recurring sin in our lives that prevent us from being conformed to God's Will.

A good way to start an examination of conscience is by praying Psalm 139, verse 23-24: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

**Confession** in Athboy Church every Saturday 5.45pm.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March, St Patrick's Day: St Patrick was brought as a slave to Ireland during his teenage years.

He tended herds on Slemish mountain for about six years and during this time he "prayed many times a day," with his love for God growing stronger. In his early twenties he escaped back home, however he realised God was calling him to return to Ireland and to share his Christian faith among the Irish. He studied for the priesthood and eventually returned as a bishop.

Mass times: Vigil Thursday 7.30pm

Friday Rathmore 9am, Rathcairn 10.15am & Athboy 11.30am

Novena of Prayer to St Joseph: 11 – 20<sup>th</sup> March

Ever glorious St Joseph, good and faithful servant, God was pleased to place his own family in your care. We thank you for being such a wonderful example of humility

and faith, of prayerfulness and courage, in your ordinary daily life.

Through your intercession, may God grant us the blessing of living continually in his presence, and responding to his love in our daily lives.

And when we have lived our days on earth, may God give us the great joy he gave you that of entering eternal life in the company of Jesus and Mary.

Most loving St Joseph, accept our Novena prayers and obtain for us through your powerful intercession, the favours and graces we ask for in this Novena.

Pause to call to mind your special intentions... St Joseph, Pray for us.

Our Father.... Hail Mary..... Glory be to the Father....

**Irish Catholic:** available weekly in Athboy Church, €2.50

**Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** Fr Padraig will lead a parish pilgrimage to Lourdes,  $22 - 27^{th}$  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.

**Athboy Saint Patrick's Day Parade** will take place after 11.30 Mass on the 17th of March. We would be delighted to welcome you all back again for another wonderful parade.