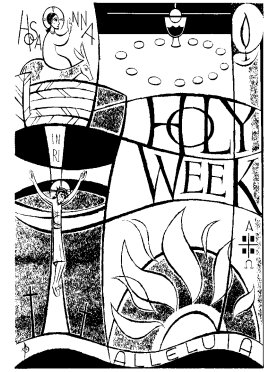


**H**oly Week is the most important week in the year for Christians as we recall the moments of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. During this week we follow in the footsteps of Jesus. We are led through the moments of Jesus' entry to Jerusalem, his betrayal by Judas, the Last Supper, his arrest in Gethsemane, his trial and crucifixion, his death on the Cross and then we celebrate his resurrection at Easter.

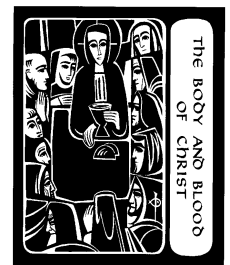
Please join us as we recall and celebrate these important days of our Christian faith.



On **Palm Sunday** *Jesus entered Jerusalem to accomplish his paschal mystery. Palms will be blessed at Mass and available in the church after Mass.*

**Saturday Vigil Mass at 6.15pm with Penitential Service after Mass**  
**Sunday Rathmore 9am, Rathcairn 10.15am & Athboy 11.30am**

On **Holy Thursday** Jesus celebrated the Last Supper with his apostles. He washed the feet of his friends, he changed bread and wine into his Body and Blood and said *"Do this in memory of me."* The Mass of the Lord's Supper reminds us that, though many, we are all part of one Body in Church.



**Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper in Athboy Church at 7.30pm**

**Confessions** after Mass

**Night Prayer at the Altar of Repose at 9.30pm**



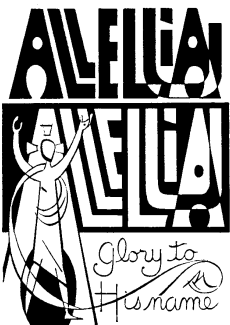
On **Good Friday** Jesus died on the Cross. We remember how Jesus carried the Cross as a sign of his love for us.

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

**Stations of the Cross in Athboy Church at 3pm**

**Celebration of the Lord's Passion in Athboy Church at 7.30pm**

On **Holy Saturday** *we wait in darkness to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. From the Paschal Fire the new Paschal Candle is blessed and lit, the Exultet is sung, we listen to the word of God, Easter water is blessed and we renew our Baptismal Promises.*



**Easter Vigil & Mass in Athboy Church 7.30pm**

On **Easter Sunday** *morning we celebrate Jesus is Risen! Alleluia!*

**Easter morning Mass times:**

**Rathmore 9am,**

**Rathcairn Aifreann Gaeilge 10.15am**

**Athboy 11.30am**

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### Holy Week MASSES TIMES:

**Sunday:** Vigil 6.15pm Athboy (Sat)

9am Rathmore

10.15am Rathcairn

11.30am Athboy

**Monday 8am, Tuesday 7.30pm**

**Spy Wednesday 9.30am**

**Holy Thursday 7.30pm**

**Good Friday, Stations 3pm**

**Passion Liturgy 7.30pm**

**Holy Saturday, Vigil Mass 7.30pm**

### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

**Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:**

Eilish Cassidy

Mícheál Corrigan

Baby Anthony McDonagh, dec family,

Nora, Patrick, John, Jim, Bill, Peter,

Mary & Baby Christy.

### Palm Sunday

**9am:** Peter & Bridget Farrell

**11.30am:** Pat McElhinney MM

Conn Kelly

Jimmy & Jackie Keogh

**Funeral:** Jimmie Mallee & Meghan 1<sup>st</sup> Ann

**Mon 8am:** Joseph Thomas

**Wed 9.30am:** Sheila & Mary Conroy,

Margaret Dunne

### Easter Sunday morning:

**9am:** Rita Smith, deceased Smith family

**10.15am** Marcus Ó'Curraoin &

Bríd Bean Uí Churraoin

**11.30am:** Niall Carberry

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

### Offertory Collection

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March

**Athboy** €830

**Rathmore** €260 Thank

**Rathcairn** €360 You!

### RIP

**Jimmie Mallee**

*Gillstown Little*

## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**Confessions:** Fr Padraig will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation for Easter, after Vigil Mass this weekend, after Mass on Holy Thursday evening and on Good Friday in Athboy Church 12noon - 1pm.

**Easter Offerings:** next Sunday is an **Offering Day** for the priest, thank you for your generous support. Easter Offering envelopes will be available in the churches.



**Trócaire Boxes:** can be returned at ceremonies on Holy Thursday or Good Friday, or to the Parochial House. Envelopes for Trócaire are available in the church and can also be placed in the collection box in the centre of Athboy Church. Please convert coin into notes or a cheque made payable to "Diocese of Meath Trócaire Account." Thank you for sharing your Lenten sacrifice with those who need our help in the developing world.



**Chrism Mass:** Bishop Deenihan will celebrate the Chrism Mass in Mullingar Cathedral on Wednesday at 7pm. Holy Oils to be used in the parishes of our diocese will be blessed and consecrated. All are invited and welcome to attend.

**Easter Bingo & Raffle:** today at 3pm in St James' Hall (note venue change) in aid of Parish Funds.



### The Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land:

aims to ensure that the Church there will survive, feel cherished and sustained by every Christian, and continue to bear witness of faith in Him who was born, preached the Gospel, died and rose again in that Land. This collection will be taken at both ceremonies on Good Friday.



**Clothing Collection:** if you are spring cleaning your wardrobe and disposing of clothing, shoes or handbags, our annual clothing collection in aid of parish funds takes place on **Wednesdays & Thursdays in March & early April, 10am – 1pm** at the Parochial House.

