

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 3rd March 2024

ATHBOY PARISH

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MASSES TIMES this week:

Sunday: 9am Rathmore

10.15am Rathcairn

11.30am Athboy

Monday 8am Tuesday 7.30pm

Wed, Thursday & Friday 9.30am

Saturday: 10am & Vigil 6.15pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45pm

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Sat Vigil 6.15pm:

Geraldine Arthur

Dan & Patricia O'Shea

Marietta McMahon

Next Sunday

9am: Hugh & Kathleen Lynagh

Declan Doyle MM

11.30am: Patrick Smyth

Jim & Kitty Beirne

Christopher McDonagh, John O'Donnell

Tue 7.30pm: Jay & Bridie Keogh

Fri 9.30am: Myles & Nora Joyce

Steve & Noel Redmond

Sat 10am: Bill Brady

Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Nora Gilroy MM

John Kelly

Next Sunday

9am: Denis, Thomas & Elizabeth Farnan

10.15am: Donal O'Laoire

11.30am: Tom Buckley

Michael Sheehan

Bridget, William & Richard Wright

Patsy Mahon & dec family

Baptisms: may be booked by contacting the Parish Office.

Parish Office hours: Thursday & Friday 9am-1pm & 2-4pm.

Offertory Collection

Sunday 25th February

Athboy €1,745

Rathmore €300 Thank

Rathcairn €175 You!

RIP

Pat Ennis

Park View

Lent: gives us an opportunity to reflect on our lives, it is a time when many people choose to seek forgiveness from God. We need the Sacrament of Penance because each of us, from time to time, sins. When we recognise that we have offended God, who is all deserving of our love, we sense the need to make things right. Like the prodigal son in the Gospel, we long to know again the loving forgiveness of God who patiently waits for each of us.

The celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is an opportunity for us to make a new beginning in our lives of faith. This sacrament brings us the forgiveness of God and his Church as we recognise our need for his mercy and pardon. It is not easy for us to admit our sinfulness—and it can be very difficult for us to face our own weaknesses and failings.



Celebrating the Sacrament of First Penance: with the children of 2nd class in our parish schools this week:

Rathmore, Tuesday 5th March at 2pm.

Rathcairn, Wednesday 6th March at 2pm.

Athboy, Wednesday 6th March at 7pm.

The children in 3rd, 4th & 5th classes in the parish schools, also have an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance during Lent.

Adoration of the Eucharist: takes place after morning Mass every Friday in Athboy Church. Would you consider giving some time to pray before the Blessed Sacrament?

Trócaire Boxes are available in the churches. We share the proceeds of our fasting or the sacrifices we make during Lent with people who need our support. Please take a Trócaire box home and use it during Lent to support people in the developing world.

Pilgrimages to Lourdes: Fr Padraig will lead a group pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine, Lourdes, departing 28th April - 2nd May 2024. Booking and further details 046 9432184.



Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will travel on September 10th and will be led by Bishop Deenihan. Further information and booking forms are available from Joe Walsh Tours, 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin. www.joewalshstours.ie Tel.: 01 2410800

Irish Catholic: available weekly in Athboy Church, €3



Easter Bingo: in aid of parish funds Sunday 24th March at 3pm in the Darnley Hotel.

Table Quiz in aid of St James' Hall in Floods' Bar on Thursday 7th March. Table of 4 €40. First question 9.00 pm sharp!

Athboy ICA will meet on Monday 4th March at 8pm in St James' Hall, The Kitchen.

Parish Finance Committee: at its recent meeting the Committee agreed to proceed with proposed work to the property adjacent to Athboy Church. The Committee hope that local contractors who are interested in the work, will participate in the tendering process. Further details will follow next week.