

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:

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Dara Nee

Sunday

10.15am: Seán, Mary, Pateen
Mhic Craith

11.30am: Vincent Sheridan
Michael & Anna McGovern,
dec family

Eamon Kelly (Jnr)

Fr Joe Paul Kelly

All who are buried in parish cemetery

Tues 7.30pm: Peter & Mary Lynch

Wed 9.30am: Private Intention

Fri 9.30am: List of the Dead

Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Nikki Woods-Magee

Michael & Ellen Loughman

Private Intention

Next Sunday

9am: Rita & Mary Murray

10.15am: Muintir Flood, Chulainn
& MacDhonnchadha

11.30am: Marie Byrne

& parents Matthew & Lena

Baptisms: contact Parish Office.

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

Offertory Collection

Sunday 23rd June

Athboy €745 Thank

Rathmore €190 You!

Rathcairn €210

**Thank you for Peter's Pence
returned last weekend.**

RIP

Elizabeth "Lylie" Doyle

Newmans Mill & Kilkenny

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 30th June 2024

"I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

Welcome to all who visit our parish this weekend, as we pray for those interred in cemeteries in Athboy. Thank you to all who prepared the cemeteries, to those who maintain them on an ongoing basis, and to families who maintain the resting place of their loved ones.

Cemetery Devotions Dates & Times

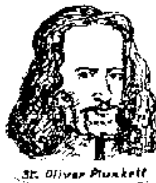
Athboy, Sunday 30th June,

2pm Old St James' & 3pm main cemetery

Next Bingo in aid of parish funds, Sunday 21st July, 3pm in the Darnley Lodge Hotel.

Adoration of the Eucharist: every Friday in Athboy Church, after 9.30am Mass. New adorers always welcome.

Irish Catholic: is available for sale at the back of Athboy Church, €3 a copy. Sales of the paper have reduced in recent months, so it may not be possible to continue to supply it if it becomes unviable.



St. Oliver Plunkett

Feast of St Oliver Plunkett: tomorrow, Monday 1st July. Oliver Plunkett was born at Loughcrew, Oldcastle in 1625. His family were Irish nobility and were supporters of King Charles I. Oliver was ordained to the priesthood in Rome in 1654 and in 1669 he was appointed

Archbishop of Armagh, returning from Rome during difficult times for the Catholic Church in Ireland. He was arrested in Dundalk in 1679 and found guilty of "promoting the Catholic faith" at a trial in London. He was condemned to a gruesome death, being hanged, drawn and quartered on 1st July 1681 at Tyburn. St Oliver was canonised in 1975 by Pope Paul VI.

Providing compassionate care at the end of life

To address the sensitive issue of compassionate care at the end of life, and in response to the need to inform the faithful of Catholic teaching on this important life issue that affects so many families, the Bishops of Ireland have published the pastoral letter: *Freedom to Live Fully, Until Death Comes*. You are invited to read this letter and view the accompanying video *Through the Valley*, which offers personal testimonies by carers and people with terminal illness. The key message of both letter and video asserts that every person possesses inherent, infinite dignity that remains intact regardless of their circumstances. In this context, bishops strongly oppose the Oireachtas Committee's proposal to Government to legislate for assisted suicide, and call on support for healthcare workers who uphold the sanctity of life.

To read *Freedom to Live Fully, Until Death Comes* and to watch *Through the Valley*, visit the following link

<https://www.catholicbishops.ie/2024/06/24/bishops-statement-on-end-of-life-care-freedom-to-live-fully-until-death-comes/>