ATHBOY PARISH

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MASSES TIMES this week:

Sunday: 9am Rathmore 10.15am Rathcairn 11.30am Athboy

Monday & Wednesday 11am, Tuesday, Thurs & Friday 9.30am, Saturday 10am Vigil 6.15pm Confessions: Saturday 5.45pm

${\bf MASS\ INTENTIONS\ this\ week:}$

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Thomas & Eileen Maguire Rita O'Dwyer & Naoise McManus Bernard, Margaret & Mary Monaghan **Sunday**

11.30am: Rosaleen Cullen
Kay Cusack, parents Larry &
Anne, brother John
Micheál O'Loughlin
Ollie & Phyllis Bird
Tony & Phyllis O'Connor

Tue 9.30am: Bairbre Uí Dhonnchadha

Fri 9.30: List of the Dead Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Rose Dodie Smith Ann Ennis

Martin & Molly Doherty, dec family

Next Sunday

9am: Brendan Smith

11.30am: Ellen Murphy MM John Carolan

Annie Jane, Jim & Seamus Kelly

Baptisms: contact Parish Office. **Parish Office:** reopens 2nd Jan

Offertory Collection Sunday 22ndDecember

Athboy €900 Thank **Rathmore** €160 You!

Rathcairn €210

RIP

Michael Connell

Martinstown

John Farrell

Moyaugher & London

Paddy Grace

Graignamanagh, Kilkenny

Paul McGuinness

Harristown Hayes, Navan

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Sunday 29th December 2024



Today our gaze on the Holy Family lets us be drawn into the simplicity of the life they led in Nazareth. It is an example that does our families great good, helping them increasingly to become communities of love and reconciliation, in which tenderness, mutual help, and mutual forgiveness is experienced. **Pope Francis**

Thank You to everyone who in any way helped to organise our parish celebration of Christmas in Athboy, Rathmore & Rathcairn; to the volunteers who cleaned the

church, those who erected and decorated the cribs, Carmel Rice who arranged flowers in Athboy and the ladies who arranged flowers in Rathmore & Rathcairn, stewards,



readers, ministers of Holy Communion, singers and musicians, servers, sacristans.

May the Blessings of the Christmas Season bring you joy and hope and may 2025 bring peace to our world. Happy New Year to all!

Next Bingo: in aid of parish funds on Sunday 12th January, 3pm in the Darnley Hotel



Wednesday 1st January, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God & World Day of Peace: Mass at 11am in Athboy.

Pope Francis message for New Year's Day: "May 2025 be a year in which peace flourishes! A true and lasting peace that goes beyond quibbling over the details of agreements and human compromises. May we seek the true peace that is granted by God to hearts disarmed: hearts not set on calculating what is mine and what is yours; hearts that turn selfishness into readiness to reach out to others; hearts that see themselves as indebted to God and thus prepared to forgive the debts that oppress others; hearts that replace anxiety about the future with the hope that every individual can be a resource for the building of a better world.



Disarming hearts is a job for everyone, great and small, rich and poor alike. At times, something quite simple will do, such as "a smile, a small gesture of friendship, a kind look, a ready ear, a good deed"."

Christmas Offerings: thank you for your generous support at Christmas and throughout the past year.