

## ATHBOY PARISH

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### MASS TIMES this week:

**Sunday:** 9am Rathmore  
10.15am Rathcairn  
11.30am Athboy

**Monday 8am,**

**Tuesday 9.30am, 6pm & 8pm**

**Wednesday:** 9am Rathmore  
Christmas Day 10.15am Rathcairn  
11.30am Athboy

**Thursday & Friday: 10am**

**Saturday 10am Vigil 6.15pm**

**Confessions:** Saturday 5.45pm

### MASS INTENTIONS this week:

**Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:** Mary Fagan  
Elliot Grace  
Kathleen McDonagh

### Sunday

**11.30am:** John & Josephine Ryder  
John & Rose Sullivan  
Edward & Mary O'Connor

**Tue 8pm:** Billy & May Bryan,  
Jim, Lena, Mary & Mona Foy

**Thu, Fri, Sat 10:** Triduum  
Intentions

### Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

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

### Next Sunday

**11.30am:** Rosaleen Cullen  
Kay Cusack  
Mícheál O'Loughlin  
Ollie & Phyllas Bird  
Tony & Phyllis O'Connor

**Baptisms:** contact Parish Office.

**Parish Office:** reopens 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan

### Offertory Collection

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Athboy €865 Thank

Rathmore €230 You!

Rathcairn €180

**Christmas Day** is the principal Offering Day for the support of the priest of the parish. Your generosity is appreciated.

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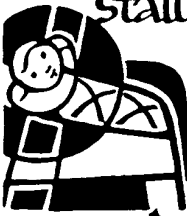
**Agnes Smith**  
Kells Road

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I thank my God

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2024

*“Jesus our brother has come to make his Father our Father; a small child, he reveals to us the tender love of God, and much more. He, the Only-Begotten Son of the Father, gives us “power to become children of God” (Jn 1:12). This is the joy that consoles hearts, renews hope and bestows peace. It is the joy of the Holy Spirit: the joy born of being God’s beloved sons and daughters.”*

Pope Francis

**W**elcome home to all who have travelled to be with their loved ones during this holy season, we hope you enjoy your time with family and friends in Athboy, Rathmore & Rathcairn and wish you a Peaceful and Blessed Christmas.

A special welcome to people spending their first Christmas in the parish, we hope you feel welcome in your new home and community.

Thank you to everyone who volunteers or helps in any way in Athboy, Rathmore & Rathcairn churches during the year. Your kindness and support is much appreciated.

***Christmas Blessings and Peace to all our Parishioners.***

**Christmas Bingo:** Thank you to all who help organise and to all who supported our Christmas Bingo and Raffle. Next Bingo on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January, 3pm in the Darnley Hotel



**Christmas Triduum of Masses:** will be offered on 26, 27 & 28<sup>th</sup> December.

**St Vincent de Paul Society** thank all who supported their collection last weekend

**Athboy Church Cleaning:** thank you to the people who helped our tidy up on Tuesday evening.

### CHRISTMAS 2024 MASS SCHEDULE

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Eve**

Vigil for Christmas 6pm & 8pm Athboy

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Day**

9am Rathmore, 10.15 Rathcairn, 11.30am Athboy

### CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

Advent Penitential Service after Vigil & 11.30am Mass  
in Athboy this weekend, **21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> December**