

ATHBOY PARISH

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MASS TIMES this week:

Sunday: 9am Rathmore

10.15am Rathcairn

11.30am Athboy

Monday: 8am

Wednesday: 9.30am

Friday 7.30pm

Saturday 10am **Vigil** 6.15pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45pm

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Johnnie Cassidy

Colm Warren, sons & daughter

Andrew, Vincent & Finola

John, Pat Joe & Sheila Nugent

Paddy Reilly, dec Reilly &

Heary families

Sunday

9am: Margaret & Robert Kane,
baby Noah Andrew McCormack
Peter & Bridget Farrell

Sat 10: David Ennis MM

Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Jimmy & Meghan Mallee

Annie & Martin Doherty

Next Sunday

9am: Angela O'Higgins

10.15am: i gcúimhne muintir Rath
Chairn, a d'aistrigh ar an 12ú
Aibreán 1935

11.30am: Billy & May Bryan

Mona Dineen

Michael (Mick) Healy

Baptisms: contact Parish Office.

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

Offertory Collection

Sunday 30th March

Athboy €1,015 Thank

Rathmore €235 You!

Rathcairn €205

RIP

Jim Holland,

St James Terrace

Mick Delaney,

Navan, formerly Athboy

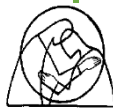


FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 6th April 2025

In the Gospel this Sunday both the woman, and the Pharisees and scribes have sinned. The Pharisees and scribes were arrogant and judgmental, they lacked the compassion God had demonstrated in the past, and that Jesus showed. What would we have done if we were there? What do we do when private lives or secrets are splashed all over the media? Do we rush to judgment and throw stones, or do we quietly reflect on our own weaknesses and how much we would not like to be publicly judged or humiliated? Rather than judging, might we extend instead a hand of love and compassion? This is the invitation that Jesus puts before us today. We are all in need of healing and forgiveness and the door to our Creator God, through Jesus, is always open. No matter how many times I lose my way, no matter who condemns me, God calls me to start over again, to be healed and forgiven. Isaiah tells us today, God is always ready to do something new within us and our lives: "Look I am about to do something new, now it is springing up; can you not see it?" (Is 43:19). This is Good News indeed!

- Mary Kirk - Trócaire resources



To prepare for Easter, our **Penitential Service** takes place after Vigil & 11.30am Masses this weekend.

Act of Sorrow

O my God, I thank you for loving me. I am sorry for all my sins; for not loving others and not loving you. Help me to live like Jesus and not sin again. Amen

Bingo: in aid of parish funds, next Sunday 13th April.

Athboy Church celebrates its 180th anniversary this year. The Finance Committee and Pastoral Assembly will mark this important milestone in the summer. The Finance Committee have approved plans to paint the church. To raise funds for this work and for the new parish office and pastoral centre, Credo will perform a concert in the church on Friday 16th May. Ticket details will be announced later. Please keep the date free.

- Thank you to everyone involved in the redecoration of the Adoration Room.
- Volunteers are needed to help clean and prepare Athboy Church for Easter, on Tuesday 15th April after 7.30pm Mass.



Bishop Deenihan has asked us to remember the people of the Holy Land on Good Friday and to support them with a collection. When you donate to the Good Friday Collection, you help to ensure that Christianity will remain in the Holy Land for years to come. Last year's collection provided support to 29 parishes and 4 homes for orphans. The funds collected also helped keep 16 schools open for over 10,000 students under the age of 12.

O'Growney Players present '*Alice in Wonderland*' in St. James' Hall on the following dates: Thursday 10th, April 11th & Saturday April 12th, nightly at 8pm with a matinee also on Saturday at 2pm. Tickets are available in local shops.



Next Sunday is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion.

Bishop Deenihan will celebrate the **Chrism Mass** in Mullingar Cathedral on Wednesday 16th April at 7pm. All welcome.

