

ATHBOY PARISH

Parochial House

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

MASSES TIMES this week:

Sunday: 9am Rathmore
10.15am Rathcairn
11.30am Athboy

Monday 8am **Friday** 9.30am

Saturday 10am, **Vigil** 6.15pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45pm

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Mary McKiernan

Tony Farrell

Rose Dodie Smith

Sunday

9am: Brian & Teresa Smyth

11.30am Vincent Gavigan

Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Oliver Clerkin MM

Frank Ennis

Martin & Annie Doherty

Michael & Rena Healy,

son Liam, grandson Michael (Mick)

Next Sunday

9am: Bridie Mullen, son Matthew

Thomas & Kathleen Ralph

Annie & Edward Mullen

11.30am: Phyllis McGuinness MM

Baptisms: contact Parish Office

Offertory Collection

Sunday 4th January

Athboy €980 Thank

Rathmore €225 You!

Rathcairn €150

Tuesday 6th January

Athboy €500

RIP

John Mc Hale

formerly Connaught Street

Seamus Pentony

Grangebellew, Co Louth

Stephen Quinn

Rathfriland, Co Down

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Sunday 11th January 2026

The Christmas season concludes with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord.



“Jesus is anointed with the Spirit and his power. He is proclaimed Messiah. He now goes about doing good, working the signs that make him known as the Servant of God. He is the one who brings good news to the poor and tells of salvation. Through our Baptism each one of us is ordered to the life of Christ – Priest, Prophet and King – and the Father looks on us with favour.” Liturgical calendar

Baptism in our Parish: during the past year, 45 baptisms took place in our parish. We pray for the children who were baptised and their families, that they may grow strong in faith, hope and love. Baptism is celebrated every month in our parish, usually on Saturdays at 3pm in Athboy Church, with no more than three families at a time.

If you would like to arrange a Baptism, please contact Susan at the Parish Office.

Next Bingo: in aid of Parish funds Sunday 18th January.

School enrolment: Our parish primary schools are taking enrolments for Junior Infants for the Academic School Year 2026/2027 from 5th January – 26th January 2026.

To enrol between these dates, see the school websites:

O Growney NS, Athboy www.ogrowneyns.ie

Rathmore NS, www.nsrathmore.ie

Scoil UíGramhnaigh, Rathcairn www.bunscoilrathchairn.ie



Important Dates in 2026

Ash Wednesday: 18th February

Confirmation: Friday 27th February

Easter Sunday: 5th April

Holy Communion Athboy Saturday 16th May

Rathcairn Sunday 17th May

Pentecost: 24th May

Cemetery Devotions: Rathmore Sunday 21st June

Athboy Sunday 28th June

O'Growney NS will launch the **Agree to Agree Project** in the school hall from 6:45 pm on Wednesday, 14th January. A guest speaker will upskill attendees on keeping childhood smartphone-free. Local Transition Year pupils will upskill attendees on popular apps being used by children and suggest security settings. If you have a child attending any Athboy Parish school you are welcome to attend.