

ATHBOY PARISH

Pastoral Area includes
Ballivor, Clonmellon, Delvin &
Kildalkey

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

MASS TIMES this week:

Sunday: 9am Rathmore

10.15am Rathcairn

11.30am Athboy

Monday 11am **Tues & Wed** 7.30pm

Wed, Thursday & Friday 9.30am

Saturday 10am, **Vigil** 6.15pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45pm

MASS INTENTIONS this week:

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Daniel O'Sullivan

Next Sunday

11.30am: Sheila O'Reilly

Private Intention

Fri 9.30am: Mary & William

O'Reilly, deceased family

Next Saturday Vigil 6.15pm:

Emer Gilroy

Larry Murtagh

Jimmy & Bernie Crowcock

Patrick Flynn

Christy & Mary Gill, son Pat,
daughter Maisie Reilly

Next Sunday

11.30am: Ciara Gunning MM

Pat McElhinney, dec family

Dan Hayes

Sarsfield Donohoe & John Ghee

Frank Garrahy,

dec Garrahy & Hogan families

Baptisms: contact Parish Office

Offertory Collection

Sunday 8th February

Athboy €1,145 Thank

Rathmore €220 You!

Rathcairn €235

RIP

Paddy Mahon

Fairgreen

Maureen Hickey, nee Gantley

Late of Higginstown, died in Canada

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 15th February 2026

Ash Wednesday: opens the season of Lent. The day gets its name from the blessing of the ashes from burning of Palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday celebrations. The ashes draw a cross on the forehead to mark the beginning of our Lenten fast.



Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence. Ashes will be blessed & distributed at **9.30am & 7.30pm**

Lent: is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent began as a period of fasting and preparation for baptism by new converts and then became a time of penance by all Christians. We focus on our relationship with God, growing as disciples and extending ourselves, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.



Lent

Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *lencten*, meaning "lengthen" and refers to the lengthening days of spring. The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Trocaire

TOGETHER FOR A JUST WORLD

an important element of the Lenten season is becoming aware of not only the suffering and sacrifice of Christ but also to the suffering of others. Between now and

Good Friday, choose one way you can increase your giving to those in need. Trocaire Boxes can be collected from our churches this weekend.

Bingo: in aid of Parish funds, today 15th February at 3pm in the Darnley Lodge Hotel.



Confirmation: Bishop Deenihan will administer the sacrament of Confirmation in Athboy Church on Thursday 26th February for the 6th class pupils of Ballivor & Kildalkey and on Friday 27th February for the 6th class pupils of Athboy, Rathcairn & Rathmore.



St James's Hall Management Committee AGM:

Thursday 19th February in the Kitchen of St James's Hall at 8.30pm. Anyone who uses the Hall, attends events in the Hall or who is interested in the upkeep and maintenance of the Hall is welcome to attend.