

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY

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PARISH NOTICES

A **Special Collection** for the *International Eucharistic Congress* will take place **this weekend**. It will replace the Share collection. Your support is very much appreciated.

Tomorrow, Monday is a Bank Holiday. Mass in the Parish Church is at *11 am*.

Athy & District Care of the Elderly **Annual Mass** with Anointing of the Sick takes place on Tuesday next at *7 pm* in the Parish Church. *All welcome.*

Rosary CDs are available at the doors of the Church. No charge.

Congratulations to the Children from *Gael Scoil Atha Í* who receive the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday.

If you have any talents you feel may benefit the Parish or have suggestions or feedback about the Parish in general you are asked to please contact athyrcnewsletter@gmail.com

Parish Dev.: €882
Vocation Sunday: €1,313

IRISH FAMINE COMMEMORATION DAY

takes place Sunday, 13th May.
It is the day we remember those who died in Athy Workhouse and in this area during the Great Famine.

Mass will be celebrated at 7 pm
in St. Mary's Cemetery
(opposite St. Vincent's Hospital)

DO THIS IN MEMORY

The Priest Gives thanks to God for Our Gifts

The priest stands behind the altar and holds up the paten with the bread on it and says a prayer of blessing to God. The priest then pours the wine into the chalice.

The chalice is a special cup which is shaped like a wine glass. It may be made of gold and silver. He pours a drop of water into the wine. He then holds up the chalice and says a prayer of blessing to God again. The priest says a prayer over the gifts, which is different at every Mass. In many churches people will stand at this point. This shows us that the preparation of the gifts is over and we are now going to pray the Eucharistic Prayer.

Eucharist

The word Eucharist is another name for the Mass. It comes from Greek word meaning 'thanksgiving'. The whole Mass is a special Prayer of thanksgiving for all that God has given us. Sometimes we use the word to describe the whole Mass and sometimes it is use to describe the Bread of Life.

We also talk about the Sacrifice of the Mass, the sacrifice Jesus made for us when he suffered and died for us on the cross.

6th May 2012

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS BELL

arrives in the Parish on
Thursday next, 10th May
It is journeying with 4 icons.
The bell will arrive at 9.10 am
for 9.15 am Mass,
Town schools will be visited
from 10 am - 3.30 pm
St. Vincent's Hospital: 3.45 - 4.45 pm
Cuan Mhuire: 5 pm - 6.30 pm
The bell returns to the Parish Church
at 6.45 pm.

**A Prayer Service, with music and
reflections will begin at 7 pm.**
The Church will remain open until
9.30 pm.

On Friday the bells will visit the
Kilberry, Ballyroe, Churchtown,
Barrowhouse Primary Schools.
Note
*Parish Eucharistic Adoration in
Old Baptistery will end at 6.30 pm on
Thursday next, due to the visit.*

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

20th May 2012

Led by Fr. Morty O'Shea
Departs from Parish Car Park
at 8.30 am. Cost €20
For tickets contact Parish Secretary.
*See Parish Office details above or
Contact Maureen Ryan, William St.*

If enough of us walk the wisdom path we will heal the world

This is an invitation to join with
others for centering/contemplative
prayer in the renovated baptistery at
the back of the church, on Thursdays
at 8.10 am.

Contemplation is one of the most
ancient and universal of all spiritual
practices, and it is the cornerstone of
the wisdom encounter with Christ.
All welcome.

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Serve Catholic Charismatic Renewal
email: ddsc@eircom.net

THEOLOGY SYMPOSIUM 6th - 9th June

in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.
To register see: [www.iec2012.ie/
theologicalsymposium](http://www.iec2012.ie/theologicalsymposium)

ATHY TIDY TOWN

Contact: Ger Kelly 085 8494342

ATHY WATER FESTIVAL 11th/12th/13th May

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

*Patrick Lynch, Dominic's Park,
Teresa Hayes & Francis Joseph
Hayes, who died in UK, recently
interred in Athy. Joe Brennan,
formerly of 53 Dooley's Tce, who
died in Australia, P.J. Keegan*

Saturday 7 pm

Anniversaries:

Joseph Walsh, Ann Timpson,
Patrick Walsh, John & Grace
Walsh, Tom Walsh, Mary Salmon,
Jim McEvoy, Paddy Coburn,
Marie Moore nee Connolly,

8.30 am:

James & Mary Comerford

10 am: Barrowhouse:

Mary & Henry Morgan
Also pray for Mary Elizabeth &
Catherine Davis

10.30 am Share Mass

Recently Deceased:

Patrick Lynch

Anniversaries:

William Brophy, Margaret
McCauley, Anthony Hope,
Jim McEvoy, Pat Prendergast,
Patrick Farrell, Mary, Elizabeth &
Anthony Davis, Mary & John
Hayes, Nano & Ed Holt, John,
Mary Ann & Joe Comerford, Mary
& Pat Hayes, Bridget Kerr, Bridie,
Maureen & Charlie Grenell, Nan &
Michael Coyne, Deceased Members
of Doogue, Comerford & Myles
Families, John & Julia Walshe,
Mary Murphy

PARISH

Tuesday 9.15 am:

Jim & Elizabeth Fegan

Wednesday 9.15 am:

Dympna Dillon (1st Anniversary)

Thursday 9.15 am:

Jim Robinson

Friday 9.15 am:

Patrick & Brigid Lawler

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS SONG Refrain

Though we are many, we are one
body,
We who come to share this living
Bread, Cup of Salvation,
Share among all nations,
nourishing us now and evermore.

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS

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