

# ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY

## CHURCH NOTES

The Priests of the Parish, Staff & Parish Pastoral Council wish you all a **Happy and a Holy Christmas.**

We wish to **thank all** who celebrated the Christmas Feast with us. Thanks to the Readers, those who decorated the Church, those who erected the Crib and decorated the Christmas tree, the choirs for the beautiful singing, the Altar Servers, the collectors, the Eucharistic Ministers and of course all of you who prayed with us at this Mass and all during the year. Thanks to the many Parishioners who gave of their time, talents and good will by their involvement in the life of the Parish.

**Christmas Dues** may be handed in at all Masses today. Thanks to those who have already contributed.

Masses today in St. Michael's are at the usual Sunday times today, 8.30 am, 10.30 am & 12 noon.

There will be **no** evening Mass in St. Michael or St. Dominic's Church today.

Weekday Mass is at **11 am**. Mass returns to the normal 9.15 am time From Tuesday, 7th January.

**Parish Office** will re-open after Christmas Holidays on Tuesday, 31st December 2013, at 9.30 am.

Last weekend  
Share: €811  
Parish Dev: €2,316 (of which €436 was weekly envelopes €1,880 was annuals.)  
*Thanks to all who contributed.*

### The opportunity to give blood will arise

in Church of Ireland Hall  
On  
Thursday, 2nd January 2014  
4.30 pm - 8 pm

Friday, 3rd January, 2014  
12 Noon - 3.30 pm  
in  
Church of Ireland Hall

Donor Line: 1850 731 137

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION resumes

on  
Thursday, 9th January 2014  
in Old Baptistery.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, 25th December, 2013



*'The Primary reason  
for evangelisation  
is the love of Jesus  
which we have received,  
the experience of salvation  
which urges us to ever greater  
love of him'*

Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium  
(The Joy of the Gospel) 264

### Fr. Morty O'Shea

sends his best wishes to all  
Parishioners for Christmas  
and the coming year.  
His treatment is going very well.

### SACRED HEART MESSENGER & PIONEER MAGAZINES

are ready for collection  
from Parish Office.

Subscriptions are now due for 2014.

If any new people wish to commence  
subscribing contact the  
Parish Secretary, Elaine, from  
Tuesday, 31st December 2013

### Parish Office/Shop

2014 calendars & diaries are on sale.

Normal Office/Shop opening hours;  
Tuesday - Friday 9.30 am - 1.30 pm  
Saturday: 10.30 am - 1.30 pm

Phone: 059 86 38391

email: athyparishrc@eircom.net

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS

can be brought to the Parish Church  
on Monday, 6th January,  
Feast of the Epiphany  
for needed people.

## PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

### Recently Deceased:

*Mai Heffernan, Cloney East.  
Denis Chanders, Greenhills.*

All our Masses Christmas  
Day are offered for all those  
whom we have been asked to  
pray.

We will be remembering  
those who have died, those  
who are sick, those who have  
not been able to come home  
for Christmas, and anyone  
else you wish to include in  
your Mass.

*Christmas Day Altar List*  
is located to the side of the Altar  
and on a notice board

### Thursday 11 am:

Dora Johnson (if no funeral)

### Saturday 11 am:

Anthony Kelly (2nd Anniversary)

## CONTACT DETAILS

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## NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS

*See: [www.catholicireland.ie](http://www.catholicireland.ie)*

## PARISH WEBSITE

[www.stmichaelsathy.net](http://www.stmichaelsathy.net)  
Information on  
Parish contacts, Mass times, History,  
Administrative news,  
Parish calendar,  
Newsletter posted weekly.