

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY

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PARISH NOTICES

An **Ecumenical Carol Service** takes place today, Sunday, at 7 pm, in the Parish Church.
Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

Christmas Eve Mass times are 6 pm and 8 pm Vigil preceded by carol singing by the Parish choir from 7.45 pm.

Envelope Distributors/Collectors are Reminded that **Christmas Timetables & Due Envelopes** are bundled behind the high Altar for distribution. Parishioners with weekly boxes have Christmas Due envelopes inside their box.

Parish Office opens Tuesday, **Christmas Eve**, for one hour only 10 am - 11 am.

Christmas Dues can be handed in at any of the Masses or to the Parish Office during opening hours.

Eucharistic Ministers rosters are behind the High Altar of the Church.

Last Weekend:

Share: €830

Parish Dev.: €1,123 (of which €638 was weekly envelopes & €485 annual envelopes)

Thanks to all contributors.

CHEQUE CONTRIBUTIONS

Donations by cheques to Dues should be made payable to "Priest of the Parish".

Annual Subscription by cheque/postal order to Parish Development Fund should be made payable to "Athy Parochial A/c"

ARCHBISHOP MARTIN

would like to thank all who contributed to

Special Philippines/Syria Collection which raised 1.3 million.

Thanks also for supporting the Crosscare Food Appeal which was very successful.

FUNDRAISER FOR KILDARE ANIMAL FOUNDATION

5th Annual Curragh Dog Walk takes place 5th January 2014 at 12 noon.

Sunday, 22nd December 2013

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

In this week's gospel, St. Joseph accepts the vocation for which God had chosen him. Joseph gave himself to the service of Christ.

Mary & Joseph can best prepare us for Christmas. We are asked to receive Christ into our hearts as they did.

The major decisions we make in our lives should be based on the faith given to us from God.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

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

St. Michael's Parish

Confessions:

Saturdays, after 11 am & 7 pm Mass

Mass Times:

Vigil Saturday 7 pm

Sunday Masses:

8.30 am, 10.30 am, 12 Noon ,
(10 am in Barrowhouse)

Parish Eucharistic Adoration:

*Adoration finishes at 6 pm,
tomorrow, Monday,
23rd December,
and resumes on Thursday,
9th January 2014*

BINGO

takes place in Athy G.A.A.
every Sunday until the end of
December at 3 pm.

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS

www.catholicireland.ie

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Mary Mai' Heffernan, Cloney East. Reception of remains at 5 pm today, Sunday. Funeral Mass at 11 am tomorrow, Monday. Burial in Ballybracken Cemetery, Kildangan.

Saturday 7 pm Months Mind:

Caroline 'Carrie' Robinson,
Nuala Fitzgibbon

Anniversaries:

Kate Kelly, Michael Eustace, Denis Byrne, Marie Costello, Michael Costello, Peggy & Tom Phelan, Liam Reid, Kathleen Archbold, Deceased Members of O'Connor, Lynch & Foley Families, Winifred & Charles Ingram

8.30 am: Special Intention

10 am: Barrowhouse:

Mary Davis, James Davis, Angela, Theo, Adam & Bridie Davis, Bobbie Smither, John Grufferty, Margaret Gruffery

10.30 am Share Mass

Recently Deceased:

Barney Bessi, Sheamie McGrath, Seán McNamara, Johan Smith, Tina Doolin, Mai Heffernan

Anniversaries:

Michael McHugh, Mollie Connell, Jim Fenelon, Noreen Kenny, Thomas Fenlon, Maura McCauley, Kathleen Kelly, Joseph & Julia Martin, Barbara O'Reilly, Paul Maher, Harry Foley, Winifred Ingram, Anne Farrell, Maura Farrell, William Holligan, Deceased Members of Holligan Family, Gladys & Percy Pink, Deceased Members of Broderick Family, Frederick & Bridget Darling, Jim Flanagan, Terry Dallan, Deceased Members of Darling Family, Deceased Members of Maloney Family, Derek Candy, Mick Kelly, William & Bridget Kelly, Michael & Bridget Sullivan, Michael Sullivan Jnr., Michael, Winifred, William & Peter Kelly, Pat, Joe & Annie Kehoe, Nancy Buckley, Peg Nolan, Deceased Members of Fingleton Family, Patrick Condell, Peter Stedman, Grace Ann Mulherne, Paul Maher John 'Buzzer' McCormack,

PARISH

Monday 9.15 am:

John & Isobelle Donnell

Tuesday 9.15 am: John Donovan

Thursday 11 am: Dora Johnson