

# ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY

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## PARISH NOTICES

**Lent begins Wednesday next**, 18th February. Weekday Masses in the Parish Church during Lent will be at 9.15 am & 7 pm. On Ash Wednesday **Blessed Ashes** will be distributed. Ashes are a sign of our own mortality and our need to repent. **It is a Day of Fast & Abstinence.**

Trocaire boxes are now available from the tables in the church. Also available are leaflets on meditation titled *Press the Pause button on Life this Lent.*

Confirmation Meeting for all parents and guardians and their children preparing for confirmation takes place in the Halla Mor, Scoil Mhichil Naofa, on Tuesday next, at 8 pm.

The Annual collection of ACCORD, The Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all the Masses this weekend. This collection will replace the Share Collection "*Marriage, the union of a man and a woman, is a unique sacrament in that its essence is not about a special additional blessing, marriage is about a human reality. It is about a human relationship which is so vital for the good of humanity that it is raised to the level of sacrament.*" Bishop Diarmuid Martin

Last Weekends collections:  
Share €786  
Parish Dev: €785  
Thanks to all who contributed.

## ENROLMENT FOR SHANGANAMORE N.S.

from Monday-Wednesday 16th-18th Feb. inclusive from 9.20 pm - 3 pm. Parents are asked to call to the school. Please bring birth cert, baptismal cert and child's P.P.S. number to complete the enrolment procedure. Due to high level of applications acceptance can not be guaranteed. Applications after these dates will not be accepted.

## KILBERRY N.S. ENROLMENT

Tue. & Wed. 17th/18th February from 1.40 pm - 2.40 pm  
Please bring your child on the day and your child's birth cert.

**SCOIL NAOMH TREASA, BALLYROE** is now enrolling for 2015/2016 Ring the school at 059 86 32522 [sentreasa@gmail.com](mailto:sentreasa@gmail.com)

## THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15th February 2015

*'Have Mercy on Us O God for we have sinned'*  
Lent is a time to repent. The Gospel on Ash Wednesday tells us how to approach that renewal in our lives. The remedy is prayer, fasting, almsgiving.

## Stations of the Cross

after 7 pm Mass each Friday during Lent in the Parish Church

## PIONEER LENTEN CHALLENGE

### Short Term Pledge

Some people will gather on Ash Wednesday, after 7 pm Mass. in the Parish Church to take the Lenten Pledge with Fr. Tanham, to abstain from alcohol. If you are interested you can contact the Parish Office by Tuesday. (small fee for registration and emblem) Presentation of Life pledge pin, Pioneer silver & gold pins will also be made after Mass.

## FR. DENNEHY

who was recently hospitalised, will be resident in Clover Lodge Nursing home for a period of convalescence before returning home. We wish him God's blessing and speedy recovery.

## ACCORD

Couples getting married this summer or early Autumn should now book courses. Places still available for 10th/11th April, 8th/9th May, 12th/13th June. See [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP

Volunteers wanted for 10.30 am Mass The group explain the Gospel of the Day in child friendly terms. Full Training provided Contact Aine 083 3798366  
**BAPTISM TEAM**  
New members wanted. Contact Aine or any member of the Parish team.

## PRAYER GROUP

Mothers Prayer s every Tuesday after morning Mass in Old Baptistery. *All welcome.*

**MONASTEREVIN SOLEMN NOVENA to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** in St. Peter & Paul's Church See notice board.

## PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

**Recently Deceased:**  
*Betty Farrell nee Blanchfield,* Stanhope St.

**Saturday 7 pm**  
**Months Mind:** Pat Tynan  
**Anniversaries:**

Seán Fanning, Elizabeth Kingston, Alan Wallis, Mollie & Charlie Holohan, Vera Holohan, Jack Deere, Declan Deere, Paddy Maher, Tommy Deering, Patrick 'Parky' Mitchell, Danny McEvoy, Shamey Flynn, Mary Lawler, Elizabeth Walsh, Christopher & Ellen Walsh Rita Kirby,

**8.30 am:** Tommy Robinson

**Barrowhouse:** Maurice O'Connor

**10.30 am Share Mass**

**Anniversaries:**  
Joseph McConville, Margaret Bolger, Isabella Mullery, Fintan Kinsella, Anthony Stynes, Mary Lawler, Tony Campbell, Hannah Malone, Mickey & Annie Coogan,  
**Recently Deceased:**  
Pat Tynan, Mary Owens, Rita Kehoe, Kathleen Fitzsimons, Rose Kelly, Jimmy Moran, Anthony Stynes, Kathleen Scarlett, Betty Farrell, Denis 'Bertie' O'Rourke,

**Monday 9.15 am:** Marie McMahon

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Sr. Paul Flanagan & Eileen Cusack  
**Wednes 9.15 am:** Patrick Foley & Deceased Members of Foley Family

**Wednes. 7 pm:**

Mary Owens (Recently Deceased)

**Thursday 9.15 am:**

Rose Kelly (Recently Deceased)

**Thursday 7 pm:** Jimmy Moran

(Recently Deceased)

**Friday 9.15 am:** Cyril McGovern

**Friday 7 pm:** Paul Farrell (Rc dec)

## Mercy Associate Meeting

tomorrow, Monday, at 8 pm, in Cuan Mhuire

**Week Mornings:** Mass at 9.15 am

**Normal Weekend Mass Times:**

Sat 11 am & Vigil Saturday 7 pm

**Sunday Masses:**

8.30 am, 10.30 am & 12 noon

10 am Barrowhouse

**Confessions:**

Saturdays, after 11 am & 7 pm Mass