

## ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY

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**SUNDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY 2018**

### OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER FOR WORLD MEETING OF FAMILY 2018 (21-26th August)

God, our Father,  
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,  
One family, in the Spirit of your love, Bless us with the joy of love.  
Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous,  
welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness  
and peace. Protect all families with your loving care,  
Especially those for whom we now pray:  
(Pause remembering family members and others by name)  
Increase our faith, Strengthen our hope, Keep us safe in your love,  
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.  
This we ask, through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**  
*Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.*  
*Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.*  
*Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.*  
*Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.*

### PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

#### Recently Deceased:

*Sr. Cecilia Hall*, St. Vincent's Hospital, Athy  
*Rosaleen Ward*, Rheban Manor  
*George Murphy*, Grangemellon

#### Saturday 6 pm Month's mind: Martin Kelly Anniversaries:

Joseph McConville, Mary Morrow, Tommy Deering, Joe & Josie Luttrell, Paddy Mulhall, Michael Kelly, Danny McEvoy, Hugh & Betty O'Rourke, Jessica Laverack, Kathleen Fennin, Betty Farrell, Willie Carthy, Paddy Foley, Una Gaule, Kathleen Gleeson, Joe Prendergast, Dec. members of Kennedy family, Bridie Hutchinson, Hughie Owens (1st Anniv.) Seamie Flynn, Patrick 'Parky' Mitchell, Lil Kelly

**9.30 am: Barrowhouse:** Maria Byrne

#### 10.30 am: Anniversaries:

Elizabeth O'Byrne, Eileen Deegan, Agnes Walsh, Arthur Hill, Joseph Doody, Mary & Michael Doody, Michael & Rosanna O'Connor, William, Elizabeth & Phyllis Howard, James & Mary Myron, May Myron, Chareme Bernasor, Kathleen Fennin, Hughie Owens, Joe Kenny, Bids Mahon Forkin

#### 12 Noon: Anniversaries:

Margaret Bolger, Willie Carthy, Bids Mahon Forkin, Seán Kelly

#### Mon. 9.30 am:

Ber McStay (60th Birthday remembrance), James Doyle, Brigid Hayden, Mary Lalor

**Tues. 9.30 am:** Joe & Bridget Lawler Patrick & Elizabeth Farrelly

**Wed. 9.30 am:** Elizabeth Kingston,

Frances Coughlan, Patrick 'Parky' Mitchell

**Thurs. 9.30 am:** Mary, Patrick & Des

Howard, Hughie Owens (1st Anniversary)

#### Fri. 9.30 am:

Fintan Kinsella, Cyril McGovern

### PARISH NOTICES

Congratulations to the children who were confirmed yesterday by Bishop Eamonn Walsh.

Gael Scoil *Service of Light* takes place Tuesday next at 1.30 pm.

*Do this Memory Masses* today at 9.30 am in Barrowhouse and 10.30 am in Parish

The Annual Collection of ACCORD, The Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all the Masses on the weekend of 17th & 18th February. This collection will replace the Share collection.

Collections last weekend:  
*Parish Dev.* - Env. €897 (weekly)  
1st Collection - *Common* - €1,420  
2nd collection - *Share* - €1,056  
Thanks to all who contribute.

### KILBERRY N.S.

enrolment for September 2018 takes place Tue & Wednes 21st/22nd February from 2 pm

contact no. 059 8638448

### SCOIL NAOMH TREASA, BALLYROE

Applications forms for enrolment 2018/19 available. Contact school 059 8632522

### CHURCHTOWN N.S.

now enrolling Junior Infants 2018.

Please call to school

office for application forms.

Birth and Baptismal certificates will be required

Contact 059 86 32178

**LENT** begins Wednesday next  
**ASH WEDNESDAY**

Mass at 9.30 am & 7 pm.

Blessed Ashes will be distributed at both Masses.

**Ash Wednesday is a  
Day of Fast and Abstinence**  
(Abstinence from meat)

Lent is a time to repent, pray, and practice some form of self denial.

Trocaire Boxes at church doors

Anyone wishing to take the  
**pioneer pledge**  
on Ash Wednesday

should contact Elaine at the  
Parish Office by Phone  
059 86 38391/085 1801391

**LENTEN REFLECTION**  
**Tuesday nights during Lent at  
8 pm**

Athy: 20th February,  
Kilmead: 27th February,  
Moone: 6th March,  
Castledermot: 13th March  
Crookstown: 20th March

**PARKING IN CHURCH  
GROUNDS  
DURING FUNERALS & SPECIAL  
CEREMONIES**

The Parish Pastoral Council are trying to deal with the problem of lack of parking for funerals.

A decision has been made to cordon off the front area of church car park by locking three front gates ahead of funerals (not side gate).

Apologies for any inconvenience

Those who have ordered the  
**Sacred Heart Messenger & Pioneer  
Magazine**

are asked to collect the February edition from the Parish Office

### RALLY FOR LIFE

Saturday, 10th March, in Dublin City Centre starting at Parnell Sq. at 2 pm.

### PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORIE

14th - 20th June. Group leader John Early, accompanied by Fr. Liam Merrigan. Contact: John 086 2437882/Eilish 087 7717467

**Quiz Night** in aid of Poor Clare's, Carlow, Friday 23rd February. See notice board