

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY

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CHURCH NOTICES

Today is the First Sunday in Advent. Time to prepare for Christmas.

Next Sunday's St. Vincent De Paul Collection will replace the usual Share Collection.

We remind those who pay their Parish Dev. fund contributions annually that they can make their payments now. Cheque payable to *Athy Parochial A/c.* Contributions can be made by standing order, weekly box or annual envelope.
(We would ask subscribers to calculate a weekly sum x 50 weeks when decide how much to donate annually.)

Thanks to all who contributed to the Harvest Dues.

Last weekend collections:
P. Dev: €2,526
(of which €1,622 were annuals)
Common: €1,230
Share €1,035
Thanks to all who contribute

ALTAR SERVERS

If you are in third class or above and think you would like to be an Altar Server in St. Michael's Church, Athy, or St. Mary's Barrowhouse Please contact Natasha Geoghegan or 087 67 30300 or Email Natasha.curran@dublindiocese.ie Being an Altar Server is a great ministry and a way to meet new friends, and get involved in your community.

There will be Altar Server training starting at the beginning of December. Looking forward to hearing from you

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS STOCK

in stock at Parish Office;
Advent Candles & Children's Advent Calendars,
2020 Church Art, Pioneer Calendars & Catholic Diaries. Christmas cards *(incl. D.W. Missionaries)*, Christmas Mass Bouquets, Christmas cribs,

ANNUAL GOOSE CLUB Castlemitchell

Sunday, 8th Dec at 2.15 pm
All welcome

You are invited to the launch of Frank Taaffe's book "Eye on Athy's Past" to be held in the Shackleton Museum, Town Hall, Athy on Tues. 3rd Dec. at 8pm

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Sunday 1st December 2019

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL will be conducting their annual church collection next weekend, 7th/8th December Your support would be greatly appreciated.
See notice boards

ADVENT ON LINE RETREAT

The Priory Institute, Tallaght offers an online retreat based on the 'O Antiphons' of Advent
More details contact Frances 01 4048129 or email: enquiries@prioryinstitute.com or www.prioryinstitute.com

NO INCREASE IN FUNERAL FEES CONTRIBUTION

From feedback received from Parishioners, and as recommended by the Athy Parish Pastoral Council, It was decided that there will be no increase in the funeral fees/contribution on 1st January 2020 as has been previously announced. We thank all those who contacted us in relation to this matter.

KNOCK ALL NIGHT VIGIL

Saturday 7th December, eve of the Immaculate Conception at 12 midnight with confessions finishing with Mass

SHANGANAMORE NATIONAL SCHOOL Carol Service

takes place on Friday, 6th Dec, in St. Mary's Church, Barrowhouse, at 7pm. You are invited to get into the Christmas spirit. Refreshments afterwards.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

will take place in Gaelscoil Atha I on Sunday 15th December from 11 am - 3 pm with a visit from Santa, face painting festive food. free entry, all welcome

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Kathleen Gallagher, Belview & Clover Lodge, *Mary Nolan*, Inchaquire, Crookstown

Saturday 6 pm Month's mind:

Anniversaries:

Richard Flanagan, Michael Myles, Anne Spring, Olive Harte (1st Anniv.), Gay Coffey, James Prendergast, Tony Doyle, Mairead Byrne, (1st Anniv.), Annie Carolan, Bob Gannon, Mary Perse, Dec. mem of Perse family, Ann & Michael Hegarty, Geraldine Corcoran, Katie & Bill Morrin, Margaret McCann, Judy Mahon, Mary, Ned, Michael & Paul Perse, Josie & Mikie Perse, Ken Wakeman, Steffan Clarke, Joe, Julia & Tom Walsh, Joe, Ger & Joseph Walsh Jr., Wayne O'Neill, Bob Jones, Martin Casey, Dec. employees of Tegral, Finbar Purcell, Jim Flinter, John Dalton, Nano & Ed Holt, Tommy Comerford, Dec. mem of Comerford family, Mary, John & Pat Hayes, Nan & Michael Coyne, Dec. mem of Doogue Family, Joe Yates, Katie & John Kelly

9 am: Barrowhouse:

Peggy & Tom Phelan, Paddy & Bridget Bowden, P.J. & Nellie Bowden, Geff & Ellie Eastwood, Gavin Eastwood, Teresa & Sam Hallows, Julia & Jimmy Kinsella

10.30 am Shared Mass

Anniversaries:

Michael Myles, Tony Bracken, Patrick Aldridge, Jim, Mona & Kieran O'Doherty, Marion Moran, Teresa Hickey, Ann & Michael Hegarty, Geraldine Corcoran, Katie & Bill Morrin, Richard Norris, Bridget Owens
Recently Deceased: Olive Wynne

12 Noon: Anniversaries:

Tony Bracken, Patrick Bolger, Hugh McDonnell (4th Anniv.), George Higginson, Patrick Aldridge, Ann & Michael Hegarty, Geraldine Corcoran, Katie & Bill Morrin, Bridget Owens, Margaret, Denis, Jack & Ned Watts
Birthday remembrance: Tom Heskins

Mon: 9.30 am: Thanksgiving, Marion Moran, Margaret McCann, Patty Horkan, Special Intention

Tues: 9.30 am: Ann Horgan, Mary Perse, Steffan Clarke, Dec. members of Perse family, Special Intention
Birthday rem.; Noel Forde

Wednes: 9.30 am: George Aldridge Jr., Bridget Doyle, Dec. mem of Doyle family, Winnie Doolan, Dora Waters, Special Intention

Thurs. 9.30 am:
Golden Book

Friday: 9.30 am:
Altar List of the Dead

MASS TIMES:

Weekday Mass 9.30 am
(11 am Bank holidays)

Weekends: Vigil Sat. 6 pm

Sunday: 10.30 am & 12 noon, 9am Barrowhouse
Holy Days: 9.30am & 7.30pm