

## ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY, 2ND MAY 2021

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### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 2nd May 2021

#### READINGS

**1st READING:** Acts 9. 26-31  
**PSALM** Ps. 21  
**2nd READING:** 1 John 3: 18-24  
**GOSPEL:** John 15: 1-8

#### PRAYER

Lord Jesus,  
You are the vine and we are the branches  
Because of you we are alive.  
Because of you, we bear fruit.  
As we reach out to you  
Keep us mindful of the needy  
Who yearn to be reached out to.  
As we stretch out our hands to you,  
Let us also stretch out our hands to the hungry  
So that the fruit we bear in you  
May nourish others. Amen

#### CHURCH NOTICES

##### Easing of Covid-19 restrictions:

Following the announcement by the Government of New Public Health measures we are delighted to announce that we can return to mass with a congregation on May 10<sup>th</sup>. However, the following restrictions apply: A maximum of 50 persons are permitted to attend Mass, funerals and weddings. It is advised that no other religious ceremonies e.g. Communion and Confirmations should take place at this time. Social distancing rules apply. Face coverings must be worn. Archbishop Farrell will issue guidance in relation to other Sacraments in due course. We look forward to welcoming you back.

##### THIS WEEKEND WE ARE LAUNCHING OUR CHILDREN'S CORNER

CHILDREN'S CORNER is a new page on our parish website especially dedicated to our younger parishioners, namely those in Primary School. We are just beginning to add to it with lots of fun and interesting stuff for children to learn and do. This month, being the month dedicated to Mary, our focus is very much on Mary the Mother of God and our mother. Have a look at it and if you have suggestions, thoughts or comments, please contact Natasha, she would love to hear from you.

Monday is a Bank Holiday. Mass in Parish Church is at 9.30 am. Parish Office will be closed Monday.

**Last weekend: Common: €95 Share: €125 Parish Dev: €840**  
*your contributions are very much appreciated.*

#### PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

##### Recently Deceased:

*Kathleen Stynes*, Ballyroe,  
*Barney Deay*, Balitore,  
*Jim McEvoy*, Leinster St. Funeral at 11 am  
Monday. Burial in New St. Michael's Cemetery

##### Saturday 6 pm:

##### Months Mind:

Dermot Goulding, Kathleen Whelan nee Fitzpatrick, Mary Foley nee O'Connor

##### Anniversaries:

Deirdre Mulhall Reynolds, Deceased members of Mulhall & Brohooon families, Patrick 'Sonny' Maloney (1st Anniv.), Tom Kelly, P.J. Keegan, Johnny Whelan, Simon Ludlow, Dec members of Ludlow & Brennan families, Delia Connolly, Martina Kilbride, Kathleen Fingleton, Jack Kelly, Eileen 'Nellie' Dooley, Jim Murphy, Patrick Buggle, Michael & Julia Hurley, Michael & Julia Raggett, Eddie Raggett,

##### 10.30 am Shared Mass

##### Month's Mind:

Marie Caffrey, Maureen Quinn

##### Anniversaries:

Aidan Howe, Patrick 'Sonny' Maloney, (1st Anniv.), Delia & Michael Connolly, P.J. Keegan, Johnny Whelan, John Walsh, Stephen Taylor (2nd Anniv.), Kathleen Fingleton, Dec. members of Fingleton & Murphy families, Caroline Prendergast (4th Anniv.), Eileen 'Nellie' Dooley, Jim Murphy, Dec. members of the Doyle & Martin families, Brid Heffernan, Mary O'Neill, Edith Tierney, Elizabeth & Andrew Mulhare, Dec members of Buggle Family, Mattie Bell, Mag Curtis Bell

##### Mon: 9.30 am:

**Month's mind:** Mary Foley nee O'Connor, Pat Pender (Anniv.), Special Intention

**Tues 9.30 am:** James 'Jim' McEvoy, Edmond Loughman (1st Anniv.) Brid Heffernan, Mary O'Neill,

**Wednes. 9.30am:** Special Intention

**Thurs:** Golden Book

**Fri:** Altar List of the Dead



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