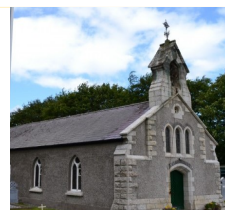




THE PARISH
OF ATHY

Comprising the Faith Communities of:
ST MICHAEL'S, ATHY
&
ST MARY'S, BARROWHOUSE



NEWSLETTER 18TH JULY 2021

PRAYER

Compassionate God, from far and near you gather your Church into one. Safeguard the unity of your flock through the teaching of Christ the Shepherd that all your scattered children may find in him the guidance that they seek. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

Mass
available on live
streaming on
Parish website:
www.parishofathy.ie
&
on radio 107.9fm.

Readings

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Psalm: Psalm 22

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2: 13-18

Gospel: Mark 6: 30-34

CHURCH NOTICES

Weekend Mass times:

Athy Church: Sat. 6 pm Vigil, 10.30 am & 12.30 pm,

Barrowhouse: 9 am

Weekday Mass in Athy parish is at 9.30 am preceded at 9 am with rosary. (Churches open with congregations)

The capacity of Athy church is 90 spread over pods of 3 following government guidelines.

Holy Hour takes place in St. Michael's Church each Tuesday from 2:00pm-3:00pm. Spend an hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. We are looking for volunteers to lead the holy hour each week. If you are interested please contact Natasha at 0876730300. *All welcome*

Collections last weekend: P. Dev €847 Common €845 Share €615. *Thanks to all who contributed.*

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Fr. Tommy Tuohy, formerly of Offaly St.

Teddy Kelly, Ashville

David Tully, Rheban Manor. Funeral Monday at 11 am following to Newlands Crematorium.

Saturday 6pm Vigil:

Month's mind:

Elizabeth Scully, Mary Hyland

Anniversaries: Bernard Whelan (1st Anniv.), Clare Daly, Jane & Michael Hoare, Michael Lawlor, Simon McDonald, Ashling Davis, Sarah & John Davis, Eddie & Enda Tubridy, Paddy 'Gaffer' O'Neill, Bertie Dunne, Jane & Patrick McLoughlin, Ellen Kelly, Kathleen & Eddie Browne, Mark Browne, John Carolan, Hester Scally, Tommy Nolan, Jane & Paddy Reid, Dec members of Reid & Nolan families, Walter Clancy, Geraldine & Kay Mulhare, Bertie Kelly, Stephen & John Leonard, Dec. mem of Leonard Family, Thomas & Bridget Ayers, Carmel & Declan Ayers, Christina Bowden & Tony Clarke

9 am Barrowhouse:

Blue Joseph Mullins (4th Anniv.), Nicholas 'Nicky' Brennan (1st Anniv.), Frank, Paddy & Joe Bowden, Peggie Lawlor, Deceased members of Lawlor & Carroll families.

10.30 am Month's mind:

Elizabeth Scully
Anniversaries: Josie Dayton (1st Anniv.), Louie Kelly Jnr. Paddy Robinson (7th Ann), Nicholas 'Nicky' Brennan (1st Anniv.), John & Chris Creed, Eddie Tubridy, Paddy 'Gaffer' O'Neill, Bill, Sis & Billy Tierney, Kate & Charlie O'Sourke, Tommy Nolan, Patrick & Mary Howe, Hugh Owens

12.30 pm Month's mind:

Mary Hyland
Anniversaries: Nancy Farrell, Denis Farrell, Thomas & Elizabeth Murphy, Louie Kelly Jnr. Cathal Mulhall

Mon. 9.30 am: Elizabeth Scully, Special Intention, Donor's Intention

Tues 9.30 am: Jimmy Kelly, Clare Daly, Peter Fitzsimons, Dec. mem of Fitzsimons family

Wednes. 9.30am: Bernard Whelan (1st Ann), Paddy Robinson (7th Anniv.), Bernard Carroll (13th Anniv.), Donor's Intention

Thurs. 9.30 am: John Leonard, Special Intention, **Birthday rem:** Angela Kelly,

Fri. 9.30 am: Intentions of all who sympathised with the family of Kathleen 'Kitty' Walsh, during their bereavement. Julia O'Brien

TASK FORCE PRAYER

Pilgrim God, we seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family.

Stay with us as we aim to follow in the footsteps of your son.

May your Spirit sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us as we journey. Amen

FINAL CALL

have your say about shaping the future of your diocese by 18th July. Archbishop Farrell has established a Task Force called Building Hope. See Diocesan website – www.dublindiocese.ie, there is a short video message from the Archbishop encouraging as many people as possible to contribute. You can also access it through our own parish website www.parishofathy.ie.

PARISH OFFICE/SHOP

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Office Open:
Monday - 2.15pm - 4 pm,
Tue - Wednes.:
9.30 - 1.30 & 2 - 4pm
Thur. & Fri 9.30 - 1.30 pm.
Sat. 10.30 am - 1pm

VOCATIONS

Archbishop Farrell asks for people and priests to pray regularly for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. The need is great, so let's answer God's call and "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest". Anyone interested in finding out more about being a priest, can contact: Fr. Séamus or Fr. Bill, vocations@dublindiocese.ie

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EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION



HOLY HOUR
in St. Mary's Church,
Barrowhouse
every Tuesday from 7– 8 pm
All welcome

**July is the month of the
Precious Blood,**
a devotion
spread by the

Missionaries of the Precious Blood.
Falling right between June's devotion to the Sacred Heart and August's devotion to the Immaculate Heart, July is an ideal time to grow in deeper gratitude for the bond Jesus and Mary share, as well as to heighten our devotion to the blood of the Lamb of God.

As summer brings the re-opening of churches and longer, lighter days following a dark, challenging winter, the devotion to the Precious Blood is perfect for us to cling to: for blessings, encouragement, and protection!

**EIST CANCER SUPPORT
CENTRE**

continues to provide emotional & practical help to anyone affected by cancer, their families and carers.
For more details please contact
0858661499 or email
info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie.

**AWARE-SUPPORT & SELF CARE
GROUPS**

Provide support, coping skills and information, most importantly help people who are in distress to know they are not alone in their experience.
More information on
www.aware.ie

**FIRST WORLD DAY
FOR
GRANDPARENTS & THE
ELDERLY
25th July 2021**

A great opportunity for churches to encourage younger members of the community to visit their local church and spend some time in prayer or perhaps light a candle for a grandparent or elderly friend or relative.

A video of Pope Francis reading his message for the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly can be viewed at

<https://youtu.be/bFUSwj3fjLA>



**ANNUAL PIONEER &
MATT TALBOT PILGRIMAGE
Today, 18th July**

With current restrictions, capacity at Mass is very restricted and Knock Basilica is limited to a capacity of 200 people at present.

Therefore, the Pilgrimage Mass will be streamed on line
www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live
Ceremonies will commence with the Rosary at 2.30 pm

**THE LOUGH DERG PILGRIM
PATH**

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily.
The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several information boards highlight features of particular interest.

Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre. A guided walk experience will be offered on

Sunday 25th and Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September. For bookings and further information

email info@loughderg.org or
telephone 071 9861518.
www.loughderg.org



We are very aware of the distress, disappointment and even anger that has been caused by the latest postponement of the celebration of the sacraments.

While we await further guidance from diocesan and civic authorities we are sadly postponing baptisms on a rolling week by week basis, in the hope that we can return to celebrating with you as soon as possible.

Those who have requested the Sacrament of Baptism for their child will be contacted by the parish to keep them informed of what is happening.

We thank you for your patience and understanding that this is beyond our control.

ALONE

Manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19.

Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary.

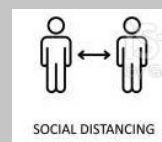
The support line
is open seven days a week,
8 am-8 pm.
Phone 0818222024

Please;

-Wear face masks.

-Hand sanitise on entering the church

-Respect social distancing



-Remain in your pod and not move from one pod to another

-enter by one door and exit by another, following the stewards directions.