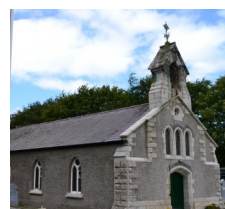




THE PARISH  
OF ATHY

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



## NEWSLETTER 22ND AUGUST 2021

You have the message of  
eternal life

### PRAYER

In every age, O God, you give your people freedom to walk in faith or turn away. Grant us grace to remain faithful to your Holy One, whose words are spirit and life, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.  
[www.tarsus.ie](http://www.tarsus.ie)

### 21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

#### 1st Reading:

Jos 24: 1-2, 15-18

**Psalm:** Psalm 33

#### 2nd Reading:

Ephesians 5:25-32

#### Gospel:

John 6:60-69

Mass  
available on live streaming  
on  
Parish website:  
[www.parihofathy.ie](http://www.parihofathy.ie)  
& on radio 107.9fm.

### PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

#### Recently Deceased:

*Vera Robinson*, Sleaty Park View, Carlow, formerly Clonmullion.  
*Bridget McGannon*, Geraldine Rd.  
*Micheál 'Gunner' Connolly*, Kildangan.  
*Jane Reynolds nee Kavanagh*, Mountrath and formerly Kilberry.  
*Rev. Seán O'Laoghaire PE*, Gowran Nursing Home, retired priest of Kildare & Loughlin Diocese  
*Tony Kelly*, Booleigh.

#### Saturday 6pm Vigil:

##### Month's mind:

Liam Hughes, Tos Quinn, Edward O'Keeffe, Seamus Byrne (Carlow)

##### Anniversaries:

Nell & Mary Kavanagh, Jim Kavanagh, Jack Dunne, Eamon Farrell, Sheila & Brian Kelly, Anne & Tom Keane,

#### 9 am Barrowhouse:

##### Month's mind:

Noeleen Whelan

##### Anniversaries:

Paddy & Kitty Burke

#### 10.30 am Month's mind:

Seamus Byrne, (Carlow)

##### Anniversaries:

Jack Dunne, Eamonn Farrell, David Loughman, Dec. mem. of Loughman family, Maura Kelly Germaine, Brian Millward (1st Anniv.) Mary & James Devoy, Bertie, John & Betty Devoy, Nonie Hearterley, Bridget Dowd, Tom Dooley, Dec mem of Dooley Family, Dec mem of Murphy Family, Dina & Paddy Lawler,

##### Recently Deceased:

Micheál Connolly,

#### 12.30 pm

##### Recently Deceased:

Michael Connolly,

##### Month's mind:

Seamus Byrne (Carlow)

##### Anniversaries:

Brian Millward (1st Anniv.)

#### Mon. 9.30 am:

Special Intention, Souls in Purgatory,

#### Tues 9.30 am:

Michael Piert Snr., Dec. mem. of Piert family

#### Wednes. 9.30 am:

Special Intention

#### Thurs. 9.30 am:

Fri. 9.30 am: Peter Mullan

### 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. *All welcome*

Dues Area Distributors are reminded that their **Harvest Dues** bundles will be ready from the Parish Office from Thursday, 2nd September, and from behind the high Altar thereafter.

**Collections last weekend:** P. Dev. €822 Common €790 Share €520

*Thanks to all who contributed.*

### BAPTISMS RESUMED

We are delighted to say that the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism has resumed in our parishes.

Over the course of August and September, by having additional ceremonies, we hope that the backlog will be cleared.

The parish office is currently accepting bookings for those who are requesting the Sacrament of Baptism in our parishes.

Please note that in accordance with current guidelines Baptisms will take place with only one baptism per pod.

That means that in St Michaels we can have three baptisms per ceremony while in St Mary's Barrowhouse we are limited to one.

We appreciate your patience and understanding and we look forward to celebrating with you.

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Training for new Eucharistic Ministers will be taking place in September. If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic minister for weekday or weekend masses please contact Natasha Geoghegan on 0876730300 or [Natasha.curran@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:Natasha.curran@dublindiocese.ie) for further details.

All are welcome & looking forward to hearing from you.



### Parish Team

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### COMMON & SHARE FUND

If you are making a contribution to the Share and Common fund and would like your contribution included in your contribution receipt at the end of the year, You can use the Share/Common Fund envelopes provided in the church and Parish Office.  
Please write your name and address or your parish Ref env. no.

*Thanks for your contributions*

### ALONE

have 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

### Study Theology Online, is this for you?

The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level.

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### PRAYERFUL MEDITATION DAY

Mount St. Anne's Killenard,  
Portarlinton  
Saturday 18th September 2021, 10am-3 pm  
Bookings to 057 8626155  
or email  
secretary@mountstannes.com

Autumn on-line courses  
€100 per full course  
All Courses are at 19.00-21.00 pm  
on zoom  
For more details  
[www.mountstannes.com](http://www.mountstannes.com)

### EIST CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

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

### PARISH OFFICE

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#### Office Open:

Monday - 2.15pm - 4 pm,  
(closed Bank Holidays)  
Tue - Wednes.: 9.30 - 1.30 & 2 - 4pm.  
Thur. & Fri 9.30 - 1.30 pm.  
Sat. 10.30 am - 1pm

Newsletter can be brought home as one use only is allowed or see it posted on parish website [www.parishofathy.ie](http://www.parishofathy.ie)

Archdiocese of Dublin

## Families Walking Together in Hope

*'Our goal is to celebrate moments of hope and joy in family life, with resources suitable for learning, living and leading faith that are complementary to the way family is lived today.'*

Join us for the launch of the year of 'Families Walking Together in Hope' on 25 August 2021, Pro-Cathedral.

Further information [www.dublindiocese.ie](http://www.dublindiocese.ie)

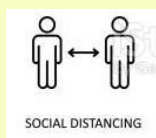


Please;

-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.

### St. Patrick's College Maynooth

St Patrick's College, Maynooth opened its doors as an educational institution in 1795 as the National Seminary, becoming a Pontifical University in 1896. In the intervening two centuries, it has established an impressive reputation for scholarship and learning. The Pontifical University and National Seminary are often referred to as Maynooth College. Today, as a Pontifical University, the College specialises in the study of theology and philosophy and related areas, Postgraduate is about specialisation, passion for one's chosen discipline and mastery therein. It also means entering a community of learning with over two centuries of scholarly tradition.

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