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



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY 26TH DECEMBER 2021

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



READINGS

1st reading:
 Samuel 1:20-22,
 24-28
Psalm 83
2nd reading: 1Jn 3:1-2:21-24
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

Prayer

Let us pray:

God of all loving, bless all our encounters this Christmas. Help us to be both kind and joyful, so that all whom we meet will be the better for it. Inspire us to know when a word of witness will lift the celebration and enable family and friends to get to the heart of it all.

www.tarsus.ie

CHURCH NOTICES

Weekend Mass times:

Athy Church: Saturday 6 pm Vigil, Sunday 10.30 am & 12 noon **Barrowhouse:** 9 am

Weekday Mass in Athy parish is at 11 am this coming week.

Saturday next is New Year's Day. World Day of Peace. Mass in the Parish Church at **11 am**.

Normal weekend schedule on 1st/2nd January.

Christmas Dues can be handed in at any of the Masses or to Parish Office during opening hours. Thanks to all who have already contributed.

Parish Office will open Friday next, 31st December, from 10.45 am - 1 pm only. Re-opens as normal Tuesday, 4th January 2022.

Collections weekend:

P. Dev. €3,899 of which €1,329 annuals
 Common €845 Share €710
Thanks to all who contributed.



Archbishop Dermot Farrell will celebrate the Annual Mass for Peace on Saturday January 1st 2022 **Online** at 11.00am.

The Mass will take place in Our Lady of Victories Ballymun Road and the link for the webcam is [Our Lady of Victories' Webcam | Our Lady of Victories \(olv.ie\)](http://Our Lady of Victories' Webcam | Our Lady of Victories (olv.ie))

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Joe Bergin, Plewman's Tce.

9 am Barrowhouse:

10.30 am Anniversaries:

Dec. members of Athy G.F.C., Dec. members of Athy Young at Heart, Mary & Patrick Carr, Brendan, Patrick & John Carr, Helen & John Healy, John & Annie Doogue, Paddy Doogue, Gerald & Richard Mulhall, Tommy Nolan, Jane & Paddy Reid, Dec. members of Reid & Nolan families, Denis Chanders, Bernard Lynch, Martin Lynch, Charlie Lynch, Maura Daly, Freda Rossiter, Deceased members of Chanders & Dunne families, Mary & James O'Brien, Billy Kelly

12.00 noon

Anniversaries:

Eileen Lennon, Dec. members of Lennon & Joyce families, Dec. members of Shiels, Conlons, Rows, & Smith families, Dec. members of OCallaghan's, O'Connor, O'Brien & Finnigans families, Michael Rainsford Snr., Michael Rainsford Jnr. Marie Rainsford, Dec. members of Meehan & Rainsford families, Fidelma Kane, Donal Flanagan, Aidan Murphy, Gerald & Richard Mulhall, Liam Boland
Remembrance: Derry Matthiaa nee May

Mon: 11.00 am: Bart & Rose Browne, Eddie Roycroft, Donors Intention

Tues: 11.00 am : Brian & Sheila Kelly, Kevin Doran, John O'Brien, Cornelius Hogan, Ethel Hogan, Noreen Kenny, Ann Patricia Mahon, Elizabeth Carroll, Kathleen O'Keeffe, Theresa Mealy

Birthday Remembrance: John Martin Finnan

Wednes: 11.00 am: Frank Moran, Deceased members of Moran family, Donors Intentions

Thur: 11.00 am; Kathleen Brennan (1st A), Donors Intentions

Fri: 11.00 am: Nancy Rochford, Deceased members of Rochford family, Deceased members of Hyland family, Annie & Michael Dooley, Gay Coffey Jimmy Connell (4th A), Liam Hyland, John Cahill

Newsletter

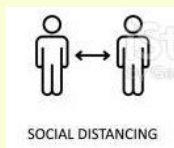
Please bring newsletter home or see it posted on parish website [**www.parihofathy.ie**](http://www.parihofathy.ie)

Please;

-Wear face masks.

-Hand sanitise
on entering the church

-Respect social distancing



Covid 19 Update

Due to Government
Covid-19 restrictions in
relation to
Religious services

We are keeping the Church
at half capacity by cornering
off every second seat.

We ask that as you enter the
Church that you continue to
use the hand sanitizer
provided and maintain social
distancing.

**It is important that we are
kept safe and feel
comfortable**



The Parish staff
wish you all a happy new year

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

ON LINE APPEAL FOR FAMILIES IN FOOD POVERTY - DECEMBER 2021

Crosscare helps people with food
parcels and meals in our cafes and
food banks in the short term, and we
work with them to move out of food
poverty in the long term.

We keep in touch with families,
helping them to help themselves. We
help them with budgeting, healthy
eating, and long-term housing and
welfare support they may need, giving
them the dignity and independence to
provide for themselves. Due to Covid
restrictions, the online appeal for
donations replaces the food collection
in parishes in previous years. Your
ongoing support for Crosscare makes
a huge difference to those most in
need. We are asking for donations to
continue this vital work at Christmas
and into 2022. Please help us to help
them. Support our appeal to end food
poverty by giving what you can online
at www.crosscare.ie/donate
or call 01 8360011

Children's Corner

Leaflets are available on tables at
back of the Church. Have fun with
working out puzzles and enjoy the
little stories.



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(Christmas holiday closing Thur.
1pm
re-opening Fri. 31st Dec. 10.45-
1pm only)

Re-opening Tue. 4th Jan 2022

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AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work
wish to connect with people in rela-
tion to your mental wellbeing, please
consider using the Phone in and
Zoom Support & Self Care Groups,
the Support Line or Support Mail,
now and throughout the holiday sea-
son. These services provide support,
coping skills and information – and
most importantly help people who
are in distress to know and feel that
they are not alone in their experi-
ence. For more information about
the groups [https://www.aware.ie/
support/support-groups/](https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/) and all of
our services on www.aware.ie/ If
you would like to volunteer with
Aware, please see their website for
more information: [https://
www.aware.ie/get-involved/
volunteering/](https://www.aware.ie/get-involved/volunteering/)

SCOIL PHADRAIG NAOFA

Enrolments will take place for pupils
wishing to commence in either
Mainstream or ASD Classes
for September 2022

from
Friday 14th Jan.-Friday 4th Feb.

If you wish to enrol your son/
daughter you can contact the school
office at 059-8634811 or email
info@spnathy.ie for an Enrolment
Form. More details can be found at
www.spnathy.ie

Enrolment for Churchtown N.S., Athy

Enrolment for junior infant boys and girls for September 2022/2023 now
open.

Please contact the school by email churchathy@gmail.com or by phone
059-8632178. All information can be found on our website

www.churchtownathy.com

