

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



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 6TH MARCH 2022

PRAYER

Lord our God, you alone do we worship only your word gives life. Sustain your Church on its Lenten journey. When we walk through the desert of temptation, strengthen us to renounce the power of evil. When our faith is tested by doubt, illumine our hearts with Easter's bright promise. We ask this through Christ, our deliverance and hope, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God for ever and ever.

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 9.30 am preceded at 9 am with rosary.

Trocaire Boxes are available at Church doors

Weekend Collections: P. Dev. \notin 1,017 Common \notin 740 Share \notin 505 *Thanks to all who contribute.*



During Lent we could pray the Stations of The Cross.



Stations will be walked and prayed in the Parish church on Fridays at 2pm Leaflets are available on tables in the Church. (To cover the cost of printed leaflets we would appreciate a donation of $\notin I$ which can be put into any of shrine offering boxes)

St. Patrick's Day, Thursday, 17th March, is a Holy Day. Mases in Athy Parish at 9.30 am & 12 noon The Mass at 12 noon will be in Irish with music from Parish choir.

Patrick's Day cards, badges and emblems now available from Parish Office. Contact:St. Michael's Church, Stanhope Pl., Athy, Co. Kildare R14 CA 26 Ph. 059 86 38391.

Synod Reflection this week

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. Luke 4:1

We stand before you, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in your name. By baptism, we are members of the body of Christ, the people of God. Give us the encouragement we need to bring faith, hope and love in abundance to meet the challenges before us on the Synodal Pathway. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the

fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth.

LISTENING TO OUR YOUNG CHURCH - Young people -This is your chance! Pope Francis wants to hear what you think or feel about our Church. We would love to hear your voice at our Dublin Diocesan Teen Synod! Join us online **Thursday 31st March 6:30pm - 8pm.** You can register online using this link: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/jVYZSdxbF1</u> Registration closes on the 25th March at 5pm.For more information, email: <u>synod@dublindiocese.ie</u>

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased: *Mary Berry,* Greenhills *Cyril O'Beirne,* England

Saturday 6pm

Michael Doran, Matt Leigh, Fr. Philip Dennehy Anniversaries: Rose Robinson, Pat Dunne (6th A), Dickey Kelly, Theresa Roycroft, James Eaton (34th A), Mary Babs McDermot, Dec. members of McDermot & Roche families, Tommy Moran, Declan Murphy, Betty Collins (2nd A), Tim Kelly, James Kane, Paddy Haughton, Ellen Byrne, Dommy Moloney, Rosanna & Michael O'Connor, Martina Lynch Birthday remembrance: Denis Redmond

9 am Barrowhouse:

10.30 am

Recently Deceased: Kieran Murphy Anniversaries: Patrick Mullery, Padraig Healy, Ellen Byrne, Annie McDonald, James & Mary Eaton, John Hickey, Brigid Crowe, Caroline Quinn Birthday remembrance: Denis Redmond

12.00 noon

Month's mind: Carmel Conroy Anniversaries: Padraig Healy, James Lawler, Gertie Gray, Tom Heskins, Marcella & Mick Loughman, Elizabeth Murphy, Denis Farrell Birthday remembrance: Aiden Hickey, Denis Redmond

Mon: 9.30 am:

Recently Dec. Cyril O'Brien, Kay Kelly, Fr. Philip Corcoran & Maura Coughlan **Anniv:** Gertie Gray, James Eaton, John Donaghy, Special Intention, Donor's Intention

Tues: 9.30 am: Joe & Mary McDermott, Martina McBride, Mary Barry, Annie McDermott, P.J. Leonard

Wednes: 9.30 am:

Recently Dec: Cecil Moore, Foxhill Month's mind: Catherine 'Kay' Kelly Anniversary: Michael Quinn Birthday remembrance: John Lawlor Special Intention

Thurs: 9.30 am: Cyril O'Beirne whose funeral Mass takes place today in England Special Intention

Fri: 9.30 am: Pat Quinn, Angela & John Joe Brennan, Jim & Ann Mulhall, Special Intention

READINGS

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

1st reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10 **Psalm:** Psalm 90 **2nd reading:** Romans 10:8-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Newsletter Please bring newsletter home or see it posted on parish website www.parishofathy.ie		PARISHES OF ATHY, NARRAGHMORE & MOONE CONFIRMATION DATES Sacrament of Confirmation takes place at 11am as follows;							
					C 1140		Kilmead	March 11	
					Covid-19		Churchtown & Ballyroe	March 25	
Face masks are not mandatory but		Moone	March 25						
strongly advised in the church building		Gaelscoil	March 26						
		Crookstown	April 1 st						
Hand sanitising stations remain in place		Barrowhouse	April 2 nd						
It is important that we are kept safe and feel comfortable		Athy –Scoil Padraig Naofa	April 29 th	1					
		Kilberry & Model School	May 20 th						
		Athy-S. Mhichil Naofa		- 11 am & 1 pm					
		Aury-S. Winchin Naora	Julie J	- 11 am & 1 pm					
		FIRST CO		DATES					
ALONE have a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19.		FIRST COMMUNION DATES First Communion takes place at 11 am as follows							
		Kilberry & Model School	May 6 th						
		Churchtown & Ballyroe	May 7 th						
		Athy-SMN	May 13 th						
		Crookstown	May 13 th						
Professional staff are available to answer		Barrowhouse	May 14 th						
queries and give advice and reassurance		Kilmead	May 14 th						
		Moone	May 20 th						
where necessary. The support line seven days a week, 8 am-8 p	m.	Gaelscoil	May 21 st						
Phone 0818222024		Athy-Scoil Pádraig Naofa	May 27 th						
 I:Oam - Meet & Greet Space Spac		Pope Francis reflects: My heart aches greatly at the worsening situation in Ukraine. Despite the diplomatic efforts of the last few weeks, increasingly alarming scenarios are opening up. Like me, many people all over the world are feeling anguish and concern. Once again the peace of all is threatened by partisan interests. I would like to appeal to those with political responsibility to examine their consciences seriously before God, who is the God of peace and not of war; who is the Father of all, not just of some, who wants us to be brothers and not enemies. I pray that all the parties involved refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people, destabilising coexistence between nations and bringing international law into disrepute.							
Holy Hour takes place in St. Michael's Church Tuesday next from 2-3pm. Holy Hour in Barrowhouse Church on Tue 7- 8pm. Spend an hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome		And now I would like to appeal to everyone, believers and non-believers alike. Jesus taught us that the diabolical senselessness of violence is answered with God's weapons with prayer and fasting.							
		PARISH TEAM		Children's Corner					
		Fr. Liam Rigney P.P.		Leaflets are available					
		Parochial Hs., 1 Stanhope Pl		on					
		Ph:087 2607377		tables at back of the					
		Liam.rigney@dublindiocese.i	е	Church.					
An online article from the National Catholic Register has 10 suggestions for a fruitful Lent that can be read in full at		Fr. Tim Hannon C.C.		Have fun with workin					
		Ph: 059 8630704,		out puzzles and enjo the little stories.					
		Fr. Francis McCarthy C.C.		the fittle stories.					
www.tiny.cc/10LENT.		Ph: 087 6978143.							

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