



THE PARISH  
OF ATHY

Comprising the Faith Communities of:

ST MICHAEL'S, ATHY

&

ST MARY'S, BARROWHOUSE



## SUNDAY 1ST JANUARY 2023

### PRAYER

Thank you, God of creation and covenant, that you make all things new. Thank you for all that you've allowed into our lives this past year, the good along with the hard things, which have reminded us how much we need you and rely on your presence filling us every single day. We pray for your Spirit to lead us each step of this New Year. We ask that you will guide our decisions and turn our hearts to deeply desire you above all else. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

### READINGS

**1st Reading:** Numbers 6: 22-27

**Psalm:** Ps. 66 2-3.5.6-8

**2nd Reading:** Galatians 4: 4-7

**Gospel:** Luke 2: 16-21

### CHURCH NOTICES

#### Weekend Mass times:

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

New Year's Day, 1st January, Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, Mass are at the usual weekend Mass times.

Happy & Holy New Year to all our Parishioners.



Today is World Day of Peace.

Monday 2nd to Thursday 5th January 2023 Mass at 11am.

Friday, 6th January is the **Feast of the Epiphany.**

Mass at 9.30am & 7 pm in St. Michael's

#### Last Weekend Collections: -

P. Dev. €1,581 comprising of €955 annuals

Common: €3,050 Share: €2,110

*Thanks to all who contribute.*

### Athy Parish Office

Open:

Mon: 2.15pm-4 pm (*closed bank holidays & holydays*)

Tues. & Wednes: 9.30am-1.30 pm & 2-4pm,

Thu & Fri: 9.30-1.30 pm, (*afternoon by phone*)

Sat 10.30-1pm. **Phone 059 86 38391**

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### PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

#### Recently Deceased:

*Teresa Kinsella, Tankardstown*

*Michael Doogue, Meeting Lane*

*Eddie Doyle, St. Michael's Tce.*

*Margaret 'Peg' Maloney, Clonmullion. Funeral on Monday at 12 noon. Burial in New St. Michael's Cemetery.*

*Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI*

#### Saturday 6pm

**Recently Deceased:** Mark Hayes

#### Anniversaries:

Paddy Redmond, Nancy Rochford, Deceased mem of Rochford & Hyland families, Jimmy Connell (6th A), Joe & Annie Kehoe, Pat Kehoe, Maureen Fanning, Annie & Michael Dooley, Gay Coffey (7th A), John Moore, Willie Delaney, Deceased mem of Dempsey family, Mary Hughes, Joseph Devlin Hughes, Eithne Hughes, Charlie & Jean O'Donnell, Kathleen Brennan (2nd A), Liam Hyland (5th A), Paddy Doogue, John & Josie Maher, Jack Maher, Peggy Maher, Eileen Brophy, Johnny Fox (3rd Anniv), Johnny Quinn, Maria O'Mara (10th Anniv), Adrian Whelan, Special Intention

**9 am Barrowhouse:** John Farrell, Martin McDonald

#### 10.30 am: Anniversaries:

Marie O'Mara (10th A), Adrian Whelan, Special Intention, Bart & Rose Browne, Frank & Phil Browne, Margaret Blanchfield, Maurice Gannon, Molly & Edward Hughes, Margaret & Liam Callan, Joseph Donnelly, Eddie & Mary Dempsey, Seamus & Eugene Dempsey, Deceased members of Dempsey family, Deceased members of Conway family, Ann Brennan, John Moore, Willie Delaney, Deceased mem of Delaney family, Esther & Con Ronan, Charlotte Walsh, Denis Cahalane (21st A), Anne Cahalane (19th A), James & Tommy Murphy,

#### 12.00 noon:

#### Anniversaries:

Bart & Rose Browne, Frank & Phil Browne, Margaret Blanchfield, Maurice Gannon, Molly & Edward Hughes,

**Mon. 9.30 am:** Special Intention, Donor's Intention, Michael Murphy

**Tues. 9.30 am:** Anne Brennan, Special Intention, Donor's Intention

**Wednes. 9.30 am:** Special Intention, Eamonn Johnson, Eamon & Gabrielle McGovern

**Thurs. 9.30 am:** Donor's Intention

#### Friday - Feast of the Epiphany

**9.30 am:** Kevin & Terry Dooley, Kevin Dooley Snr., Maureen Kerr, Michael Lalor, Special Intention, Michael Wall,

**7.30pm:** Altar List of the Dead

### Do this in Memory

#### Parish Preparation Programme for Holy Communion

January 14th/15th Communion Preparation Mass

**has been changed.**

The Do this in Memory of me Mass

**will now be on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January**

at for the pupils of Shanganamore National School, in St. Mary's Church, Barrowhouse at 9am. and in St. Michael's Church, Athy at 10:30am for the pupils of Scoil Naomh Treasa, Scoil Mhichil Naofa, Scoil Phadraig Naofa, Gaelscoil Átha I, Kilberry National School, Churchtown National School.



### ATHY PARISH HOLY HOUR

Holy Hour will resume Tuesday 10th January 2023 at 2 pm.

Many thanks to all who attended the Holy Hour or viewed on line.



### ACCORD

Accord Carlow are now back open for face-to-face Relationship Counselling at St. Catherine's Community Service Centre Carlow

For further information please phone Mary at 086 4149034 or email [accordcarlow@gmail.com](mailto:accordcarlow@gmail.com)

### BRIDGE LESSONS-A NEW PASTIME

Starting 11th January 2023 in Old Vocational School, Carlow Rd

If you can play bridge and would like to join the club you can also. Contact Miriam at 087 9370168



### COMHALTAS CEOLTORI EIREANN

will hold classes in Gaelscoil Atha Í Commencing Tue 10th Jan. from 6pm-8pm Junior members 6-18, Adults over 18 welcome. Contact 087 4266029

### Tap and Go Contactless Donation

*A choice as to how you donate*

The Archdiocese of Dublin has introduced a "Tap and Go" contactless donation method to enable people to donate directly to the

**First Collection (Common Fund Priest Collection)** and the **Second Collection (Share Fund)**

Card machines are in place at the back of the Church for this purpose.

**Please note any donation through this method will be split 60% to the Common Fund & 40% to Share Fund**

You can use your Debit/Credit Card or indeed your mobile phone if you it payments enabled on your phone.

**Familiar collection bags and the current envelope system remain in place.**



### Solemnity of Mary, 1st January

Since the early centuries of the Church, **January 1**, took on a special meaning. In the East, and throughout much of the West, it became common to celebrate a feast of Mary, the Mother of God, on this day .

It is the eighth day of Christmastide and is a feast to celebrate Mary's motherhood.

### Epiphany: 6th January

the visitation of the Magi, or Wise men  
It is the 12th day of Christmas



Children Liturgy Sheets available at doors of church



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