



THE PARISH
OF ATHY

Comprising the Faith Communities of:

ST MICHAEL'S, ATHY

&

ST MARY'S, BARROWHOUSE



MASS OF THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 29TH JAN. 2023



Thought for the day

Who doesn't want to be happy? As St Augustine writes, "all persons want to be happy; and no persons are happy who do not have what they want." (De beata vita 2.10) Augustine knows that it is not so simple: having what and how do we keep it so that we don't lose it? The question really becomes what do I desire? In the final analysis, there is a hunger of the human heart for God, often recognised only slowly, and a hunger for goodness and virtue, also a slow conversion. In God, we find a source of happiness which nothing can take away; in virtuous living, chiefly seeking the good of others, we come to our true fulfilment and contentment. Prayer God our true happiness, help us recognise our need of you that we may be blessed in your kingdom. Amen.

CHURCH NOTICES

Weekend Mass times:

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

Wednesday next 1st February is the Feast of St. Brigid

St. Brigid Crosses will be blessed at the 9.30am Mass.

St Brigid post cards are prayers are available from the Parish office



Thursday is Candlemas Day. If you wish to have candles blessed at the 9.30 am Mass on Thursday you can arrange to do so in the Parish office. Please leave your candles in with your name before Thursday. You can also purchase candles at the Office.

Friday next, 3rd February, is the Feast of St. Blaize. Blessing of the throats will take place towards the end of 9.30 am on Friday.

Last Weekend Collections:

P. Dev. € 1,726 of €800 which is annual
Common: €1,295 Share: €1,090 Thanks to contributors.

Remembering Fr. Philip Dennehy

On Tuesday the 31st January, we will pray for and remember, Fr. Philip Dennehy on the First Anniversary of his death. Fr Philip Dennehy spent most of his priestly ministry in Athy, 47 years in all.

He continues to be remembered and missed by many in the Parishes of Athy, Narraghmore and Moone. His anniversary Mass will be **Saturday 4th February at 6pm** in St. Michael's Church Athy.



PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Lucy Hannigan, Aughraboura
Robert Chambers, Greenhills
Rita Ward, Plewman's Tce
Michael O'Keefe, Cardington Court. Funeral Mass Monday at 11am followed by burial in new St. Michael's Cemetery.

Saturday 6pm

Month's mind:

Edward 'Eddie Doyle, Margaret 'Peg' Moloney

Recently Deceased:

Anthony Shinkins
Anniversaries: Nancy Hyland, Dec. mem of Hyland & Rochford families, Daniel & Mary O'Connor, Terry Taylor, William & Hannah Morgan, John & Mary Miller, Brigid Shinkins (50th A), Pearl Cooke (9th A), Paddy Harrington, Kathleen Condon, John Costello, Peggy Maher, John, Josie & Jack Maher, Eileen Brophy, Ann Maher, Rose Kelly (8th A), Rita & Patrick Kehoe, William & Jane Holligan, Sean McDermott (7th A), John Watchorn, Valerie Hickey, Martin Rigney, Neddie & Kathleen Delahun, Mary 'Mollie' Owens, Vivienne Griggs, Bryan Griggs, Michael & Mary Doyle, Phil Gorman (30th), Margaret Wynne

9 am Barrowhouse:

10.30 am: Anniversaries:

Brigid Crowe, Caroline Wynne, Peter Hollick, Michael & Joe Dooley (21st A), Tracy Bowden, Rita & Patrick Kehoe, William & Jane Holligan, Sean McDermott, Theresa Carbery, John O'Mooney, Tommy Donnelly, Patrick & Mary O'Brien, Phil Gorman (30th A), Jason Dooley

Remembrance Mass: Josie Dooley

12.00 noon: Month's Mind: Theresa Kinsella

Anniversaries: Michael & Joe Dooley (21st A), Peter Hollick, Rita & Patrick Kehoe, William & Jane Holligan, Sean McDermott, Martha Donaghy, Martin Rigney, Jeremiah & Letitia Moloney, Michael & Bridget Noonan, Mary 'Mollie' Owens, Phil Gorman (30th A), Mary Robinson, Sean McGilly

Mon. 9.30 am: Patricia & John Donovan, Lil McEntee, George McEntee, Mary Donovan, Jason Dooley (21st Anniv)

Tues. 9.30 am: Matt Leigh Jnr (1st A), Fr. Philip Dennehy (1st A) William & Jane Holligan, Tommy Nolan, Jane & Paddy Reid, Dec. mem of Reid & Nolan families Fr. Philip Dennehy (1st Anniv)

Wednes. 9.30 am: Month's mind: Pat 'Hank' Cummins

Birthday remembrance: Ann Deering

Michael & Mary Doyle (A), Special Intention, Dec. mem of Wright Family, Niamh Byrne

Thurs. 9.30 am: Golden Book

Friday 9.30 am: Altar List of the Dead

READINGS

1st Reading: Zephaniah 2:3;3:12-13

Psalm: Ps. 145: 7-10

2nd Reading: Corinthians 1:26-31

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12



Hearth Keeper Prayer
Brigid of the Mantle, encompass us,
Lady of the Lambs, protect us,
Keeper of the Hearth, kindle us,
Beneath your mantle, gather us,
And restore us to memory.
Mothers of our mother, Foremothers strong.
Guide our hands in yours,
Remind us how to kindle the hearth.
To keep it bright, to preserve the flame.
Your hands upon ours, Our hands within yours,
To kindle the light, Both day and night.
The Mantle of Brigid about us,
The Memory of Brigid within us,
The Protection of Brigid keeping us
From harm, from ignorance, from heartlessness.
This day and night,
From dawn till dark, From dark till dawn.

Ireland and Peg's Cottage

KILBERRY NATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENT

are now accepting enrolments for September 2023,
Submit an application form online through our website
www.kilberryns.ie, phone the school office on
059 8638448 or email Kilberry.ias@gmail.com
Closing date for applications is March 31st



Churchtown N.S.

The school is accepting enrolments for the academic
year 2023-2024.

Please see our school website
www.churchtownnathy.com for a copy of our Admission
Policy and Annual Admission Notice. Applications are
available from our website or by emailing
churchnathy@gmail.com or
by writing to our school:
Churchtown N.S., Athy, Co. Kildare, R14 VE89

SCOIL MHICHÍL NAOFA, ATHY

Enrolment for Junior Infant Boys & Girls for school year
2023-2024 is now open.

Forms to apply for a place are available on school
website at www.smnathy.ie

SCOIL PHADRAIG NAOFA

Enrolments will take place for pupils wishing to
commence in either mainstream or ASD classes for
September 2023 from
Friday 13th January 2023 -Friday 3rd February 2023.
If You wish to enrol your son/daughter you can contact
the school office at 059-86 34811 or
emailinfo@spnathy.ie for an enrolment form
More details at www.spnathy.ie

St Brigid's Camino Monasterevin Parish

In commemoration of Brigid, a Walk has been organised
starting at St. Brigid's Shrine, Mountrice on the
Monasterevin-Rathangan Rd (R414)
Monday, 6th February at 11am
(walk is 6 Km approx)

Walk will be led by Bishop Denis Nulty and will journey via
Umeras then along the New canal blue way
finishing in St.s Peter & Paul Church,
Monasterevin
with a Service of Light at 12.30pm



Bus will leave the Church in Monasterevin at
10.30am to Mountrice, for those who wish to avail, payment
on the bus.

Bus will return to Mountrice at 2pm.

Website: monasterevinparish.ie

ATHY PARISH HOLY HOUR

Every Tuesday from 2-3 pm in Parish Church
Every Tuesday in St. Mary's Church,
Every Tuesday in
St. Mary's Barrowhouse at 7-8 pm

Athy Parish Website: www.parishofathy.ie
Parish Radio: 107.9 FM

CARE OF THE ELDERLY AGM

Athy & District Care of the Elderly AGM
takes place Monday, 30th January 2023
in Fr Dennehy's Old House at 8 pm.
New members welcome

MOUNT ST ANNES'S, KILLENARD

Prayerful Meditation Day
Saturday 12th February
10am - 3pm. Pray and be nourished using Scripture
facilitated by Sr. Anne Kearney.
Cost €25 (bring packed lunch) Tea/Coffee provided.
'Aging with Grace' day
Sat. 18th February
10am-4.40pm. A retreat for people of any age
committed to living their lives one day at a time.
Facilitated by Ms Maria Garvey
Cost €60 (includes lunch & tea/coffee break)

More details contact 057-8626153 or
email secretary @mountstannes.com

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