

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



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY 7TH JANUARY 2024

PRAYER

God, our loving parent, help us to love you in each other and so love you and live the greatest commandment. Send you Holy Spirit that we may know from within the victory of faith and so live lives of courageous witness to Jesus, our bother, the Son of God, who lives and reigns with you and the Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



CHURCH NOTICES

Weekend Mass times: 6pm, 10.30am & 12 noon & Barrowhouse Sunday at 9 am Weekday Mass times: 9.30 am

Due to work on heating 9am Rosary before Mass will <u>not</u> take place yet

Sunday, **7th January**, Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, Sunday Masses: 10.30am & 12 noon & 9 am in St. Mary's Barrowhouse

Christmas Dues can be placed in collection bags at any Mass or handed into Parish Office during opening hours.

Last Weekend Collections: P. Dev.: € 514 Common: €1,205

Share: \in 1,575 *Thanks to contributors.*

Distribution of Communion for those visiting our Parish

Welcome to St. Michael's Parish Church. For those who have a gluten intolerance, at communion time you can receive gluten free consecrated host from a Eucharistic minister standing at the bottom of the ramp at the side of the altar.

READINGS 1st Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-11 Psalm: Ps. 12:2-6 2nd Reading: 1 John 5:1-9 Gospel: Mark 1:7-11 Athy Parish website www.parishofathy.ie

> Parish Radio 107.9 fm

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

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased: John Bracken, Moate Lodge Frank Breen, Milltown Billy Magahran, Dublin Joseph Chacko, India

Saturday 6pm - EPIPHANY MASS

Month's mind: May Neill Anniversaries: Nora & Tim Kelly, Terence Holligan (1stA), Stefano Colapicchioni (1st A), Bridie Richards nee Kavanagh, Jane Mulvahill, Minnie McEvoy (1stA), Elizabeth Kenny, May Doran, Michael Lalor, Mary Morrin , (11thA), Paul Morrin, Mary Lawler, William Lawler, Helen Lawler, Kevin Dooley, Maureen Kerr, Ann Dalton, Margaret Hyland nee Moran, Brigid Moran, George & Catherine Roche, Joe Walsh Snr., Joe Walsh Jnr. Ger Walsh, Wayne O'Neill, Mary Perse, Ned Perse, Michael Perse, Joe Perse, Teresa Wakeman Perse, Mickey Perse, Josie Perse, Paul Perse, Joe Walsh, Julia Walsh, Bobby Mahon, Martin Casey, Stephen Clark, Angela Davis (4th Anniv), Thomas Fennelly Snr., Kathleen Kelly, Michael Wall (Anniv), Dominic Stynes, Peter Dunne (51st Anniv), Helen Whelan,

BAPTISM OF THE LORD- SUNDAY

9 am Sunday Barrowhouse:

Birthday remembrance: Joe `Lowry` Maher, Agnes & James O'Meara, Joseph & Marie O' Meara, Martin McDonald, Jim Malone (Barrowlodge), Martin McDonald Angela Davis (45th Anniv)

10.30 am:

Anniversaries: Jack Keogh, Margaret Cahill, Elizabeth Kavanagh, Mary, William & Helen Lawler, Margaret McCann, Thomas Fitzgerald, Cis & Bill Tierney, Kate & Charlie Sourke, Michael McCormack (2ndA), Sheila Heydon Hughes, George & Catherine Roche, Paddy Reid, Dec mem of Reid & Foley Families, Josie Dooley, Peter Dunne,

12 noon:

Anniversaries: Esther Maher, Damian McMahon, Michael Lalor, Mary, William & Helen Lawler, George & Catherine Roche, Mary Kiely, Jack Keogh, Mary Anne & John McPartland

Monday 9.30 am:

Michael McCormack, Kathleen Corcoran, Mary Conway, Donor's Intention, **Tues. 9.30 am:** Josie Wright, Mary & Tom Eston, Frances Muckridge, Sheila Heydon Hughes, **Recently Deceased:** Fr. Brendan Howard, Jerusalem, Carlow (formerly Athy Christian Brothers Hs., John's Lane)

Wednes. 9.30 am:

Recently Deceased: Billy Magrahan, Dublin Anniv: Nora & Tim Kelly, Martin Kelly, Lil Kelly (remembrance), Patrick 'Paddy' Kelly (8th Anniv) Jack, Kathleen & Geraldine Kelly Thur. 9.30 am: Josie Dooley (Remembrance) Friday 9.30 am: Theresa & John O'Sullivan, Bernie Reddan

Tap and Go Contactless Donation

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

Tap & Go for Parish Donations

You may be aware as you come through the doors of the church there are two devices. One tap and Go for donations to the Archdiocese and the second for donations to Athy parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND

Parish Bank details;

A/c Name: Athy Parochial

IBAN: IE09 BOFI 9009 6511 1988 17 BIC: BOFIIE2D Branch: Bank of Ireland, Emily Sq Or See donate button on parish website

Sycamore

Sycamore is a fantastic book that goes through 20 key aspects from the Catechism in a gentle conversation style allowing young people to engage and explore their faith in a new way. For the first time, we will run a gathering based on exploring Sycamore together. The gatherings will take place every Tuesday evening on Zoom, beginning January 16. Two in-person retreat/gathering days will take place over the course of reading the book. To find out more and to sign up, fill in your details here: https://forms.office.com/e/knBdvbepAn

PARISH TEAM

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B.E. - BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

B.E. is a support group for those coping with the pain of loss of their life partner, through Death, Separation or Divorce. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Seeking help is a sign of strength and self-knowledge not weakness. This is a healing ministry, which helps to resolve the grief that goes with the end of a marriage or relationship. A team, who are themselves widowed, separated or divorced share their experiences with you.

ATHY PARISH OFFICE

Email: athyparishrc@eircom.net Phone 059 86 38391 Address: Parish Office, St. Michael's Church, Athy, Co. Kildare. R14 CA 26

Open **Monday:** 2.15-4pm **Tuesday & Wednes:** 9.30-1.30 pm & 2-4pm Thur & Fri: 9.30-1.30pm (by phone in the afternoon) Sat: 10.30am-12.30 only

Office closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays The shop now accept payment by visa/master card

ENROLMENT

IN SCOIL PHADRAIG NAOFA 2024

For Junior infants or ASD classes From Friday 12th January - Friday 2nd February Contact details 059 8634811 or

email: info@spnathy.ie

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit <u>www.hospicefoundation.ie</u> for more information.

AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit <u>www.aware.ie</u>.

2024 SACRAMENT DATES PARISHES OF ATHY, NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

CONFIRMATION

Athy SPN Friday 22ndMarch 11am Athy SMN Friday 31stMay 11am & 1pm Gaelscoil Friday 1st March Ballyroe Friday 8th March 11am Churchtown Friday 8thMarch 11am Model School Friday 8thMarch 11am Barrowhouse Saturday 20thApril Kilberry Friday 26th April Moone Friday 1st March Kilmead Friday 8th March Crookstown Friday 15th March

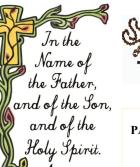
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Athy SMN Friday 3rd May Athy SPN Friday 24th May Gaelscoil Saturday 25th May Ballyroe Saturday 18th May Churchtown Saturday 18th May Kilberry Saturday 18th May Model School Saturday 18th May Barrowhouse Saturday 25th May Kilmead Saturday 11thMay Moone Friday 17thMay Crookstown Friday 24th May

In the Name of the Father and of the Son, and of the loly Spirit.

GODLY PLAY TRAINING

Are you or someone you know looking to train in Godly Play? There is a Core Training over three Saturdays in Dublin. Dates: January 20, DCU St Patrick's Campus. Cost: €300. godlyplayireland@



REPAIR OF HEATING

SYSTEM &

HEATING FUND

Work on main central

heating system in Athy

Parish church is well in

progress and it is hoped that

it will be completed shortly.

The Cost is €167,000,

which a huge amount of

money for our parish.

All donation to Parish are always welcome,

one off donations or regular

subscription

Thanks to all you have

subscribed to the heating fund

February 10 and March 2. Venue: Drumcondra gmail.com

