



THE PARISH
OF ATHY

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



PRESENTATION OF THE LORD SUNDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2025

PRAYER

Abba, Father, God of all time,
you call us to become your
children. Send your Holy Spirit
into our hearts that we may
live our faith serenely in the
present moment and give us
grace to recognise the time of
your appearing.

Amen



CHURCH NOTICES

Weekend Mass times: 6pm, 10.30am & 12 noon &
Barrowhouse Sunday at 9 am Weekday Mass times:
9.30 am. Rosary at 9.10 am.

1st February, **St. Brigid's Day**. St. Brigid's Crosses
will be blessed at the 6pm vigil Mass Saturday night.

Sunday, 2nd February, next is **Candlemas Day**. If you
wish to have candles blessed.

Monday, 3rd February, Bank Holiday, is **Feast of St
Blaise**. Throats will be Blessed at **9.30am** Mass.

Parish Office closed Bank holiday Monday.

Weekend collections;

Common: €1,225

Share: €1,046

P. Dev.: €712 *Thanks to all who contributed*

Cloak on the Moat : A celebration of St Brigid

to celebrate St Brigid in south Kildare, as part of the Brigid
1500 celebrations last year, Village Voices community choir
hosted a very special afternoon of music and song on the
Moat of Ardsclull called ' Cloak on the Moat' . . This is a
celebration of St Brigid through music , song , dance and
folklore. South Kildare is rich with amazing talent. Village
Voices Joseph Gorman, Kevin Morrin, Margaret Brennan
and Paul Linehan . Athy Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Éireann, the St
Laurence's Set dancers and the Kilmead Irish Figure Dance
Class will also be there.

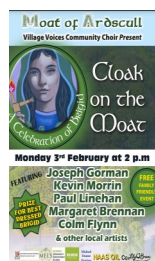
Join in this free event for all the family. There is also a prize
for the best dressed St Brigid. Follow us on Facebook and
instagram for further details. This is an outdoor event , so
please dress appropriately and bring a chair or blanket for
extra comfort.

Date: Bank Holiday Monday
3rd Feb 2025.

Time : 2pm

Venue:

The Moat of Ardsclull on the R418,
near the village of Kilmead.
Co. Kildare .



PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Mona McDonnell , Skerries

Lil Kelly, Kilmeade

Eamon Owens, Ballycallane

John 'Jackie ' Hyland, Rosebran

Phoebe Murphy, Convent View

Stanis Heydon, died in England, late of Browstown

Saturday 6pm

Birthday rem: Tommy Nolan, Ann Deering

Month's mind: Robert 'Rozzie' Mulhall

Anniversaries: Eithna & Christopher Ludlow, Pearl Cooke
(11th A), Michael McInerney (1st A), Rosaleen Ward, Rose
Kelly (10th A), Mairead Dooley, Annie Foley, Dec. mem
of Foley family, Jane & Paddy Reid, Dec. mem of Nolan
family, Noreen Moran (48th A), Brian & Sheila Kelly, Noel &
Carmel Reddy, Dec. mem of Mulhall family, Paddy Keating,
John Costello (14th Anniv), Jimmy & Bridie Connell (Anniv)

Sunday 9am Barowhouse: Marie McMahon

Sunday 10.30am:

Month's mind; Robert 'Rozzie' Mulhall,

Birthday remembrance: Ann Deering, Tommy Nolan

Anniversaries: Denis & Mary Whelan, Mairead Dooley,
Jane & Paddy Reid, Dec. members of Nolan family, Julia &
William Browne, Mark Browne, Rosaleen Kelly, Bridget
Crowe, Caroline Quinn, Conor Tierney, Paddy Keating,
Susan & George McNally, Mathew Davis, Margaret Wynne,
Harry O'Sullivan (51st Anniv), Julie Lynch (Anniv)

Sunday 12 noon:

Month's mind: Robert 'Rozzie' Mulhall

Birthday rem: Tommy Nolan

Anniversaries: Mairead Dooley, Jane & Paddy Reid, Dec.
Members of Nolan family, Sean Mc Gilly, Paddy Keating,
Michael & Bridget Noonan, Jimmy & Bridie Connell (Anniv)

Monday 9.30am: Eddie O'Brien, Rosanna O'Brien, Thomas

O'Brien, Mairead Dooley, Anthony Kirwan, Mary Kirwan,

Birthday rem: Una Gaule, Kathleen Glesson

Tues. 9.30 am:

Francis Scully, Michael 'Mixer' McInerney

Wednes. 9.30 am: Martin Rigney Annie Foley, Dec. mem of
Foley family, Willie Carthy, Rose & Jimmy Doyle,
Charlie Sourke

Thur. 9.30 am: Golden Book

Friday 9.30am: Altar List of the Dead

READINGS

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First Reading: Malachi 3: 1-4

Psalms: Ps. 23: 7-10

Second Reading: Hebrews 2: 14-18

Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Athy, Moone & Narraghmore

4 Star Hôtel Padoue

24th June – 1st July 2025

€965 pps

Spiritual Director Fr. Francis McCarthy

Further details contact Christopher Rowan 087 2707 182

HOLY HOUR

in Parish Church every Tuesday 2-3pm

All welcome

ACCORD

Accord Carlow Relationship Counselling
at St. Catherine's Community Service Centre Carlow

Phone Mary at 086 4149034 or

email accordcarlow@gmail.com



ACCORD

Annual collection for Accord Dublin
will be made at all Masses **15th & 16th February**
It will replace the Share collection.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Monday 10th February at 7.30pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance.

We also offer an online support group meeting.

To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

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Feast of St Blaise - 3rd February

Blaise, who had studied philosophy in his youth, was a doctor in Sebaste in Armenia, the city of his birth, who exercised his art with miraculous ability, good-will, and piety. When the bishop of the city died, he was chosen to succeed him, with the acclamation of all the people. His holiness was manifest through many miracles: from all around, people came to him to find cures for their spirit and their body;

Feast of St. Bakhita - 8th February

St. Josephine Bakhita was a Canossian Sister who was kidnapped and sold into slavery in Sudan. She was born in 1869 in a small village in the Darfur region of Sudan¹. She is the patron saint of Sudan and of victims of human trafficking^{2,3,4}.

The Catholic Church celebrates her **feast day on February 8th** each year⁵. On this day, Catholics are encouraged to pray for all those affected by the crimes of modern slavery and human trafficking, and the people that volunteer and work to eradicate this crime³.

Enrolment - Scoil Mhichíl Naofa for September 2025:

On-line Enrolment for pupils wishing to commence in either Junior Infant or ASD Classes opens on Monday, January 13th. to Friday, January 31st. at 3 p.m.

Our website is www.smnathy.ie

Enrolment –Kilberry NS –September 2025

On line enrolment for pupils wishing to commence in Junior Infants

opens Wed. 13th January to Friday 14th February at 3pm

Application forms can be requested through school office

059 8638448

Our website is www.kilberryns.ie

Enrolment Churchtown N.S.

Enrolments for the academic year 2025-2026 currently taking place.

See our website for a copy of our Admission Policy and Annual Admission notice

www.churchtownnathy.com

Applications are available from our website or email churchathy@gmail.com or by writing to our school

Churchtown N.S. Athy, Co. Kildare

R14VE89. Tel: 059 8632178

Enrolment Shanganamore N.S.

Enrolments will take place from

20th January-14th February

Places are available in Junior Infants with only one space in An Ghairdín Beo (ASD unit)

Applications forms are available from the school or the school website: shanganamorens.ie

Gaelscoil Átha í enrolment for the school year 2025-2026

is open for junior infants starting school. Please see our website <https://www.gaelscoilathai.com/> for further

information or come into our office for a hard copy of the enrolment form.

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

in

Crookstown Church on Tuesday evening

7pm-8pm

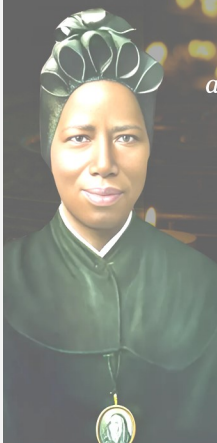
All are welcome

St Josephine Bakhita Feast Day 8th February

Santa Marta Group

santamartagroup.org

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"Human trafficking is a crime against humanity. We must unite our efforts to free victims and stop this crime"

- Pope Francis

If you see someone in danger, call the Garda. If you want to report anonymously, call their Confidential Line Free-phone.

☎ 999 ☎ 1800 666 111

