



THE PARISH
OF ATHY

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



SAINT PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES SUNDAY 29TH JUNE 2025

PRAYER

Christ, Son of the living God, you call us to confess your name and to acknowledge you as Lord. Help us to live our faith and find new words for what we believe so that we may proclaim your Gospel to our contemporaries in words they can understand.

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.

Summer Dues, Please support your priests, sick priests, and those in poorer parishes. Dues envelopes can be placed in collection bags or handed into parish office during the week.

Peter Pence collection will be taken up today at all Masses. It replaces the Share collection. Peter's Pence aims to support the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV's mission, which extends throughout the entire world, from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education, peace, and brotherhood among peoples; and to support the numerous charitable works in aid of people and families in difficulty, populations afflicted by natural disasters and wars, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or support for development.

Last Weekend Collections

P. Dev.: €545 **Common:** €1,175 **Share** €940

Thanks to all who contributed

BLOOD DONATION CLINIC

will be at the Clanard Hotel Athy
Monday 30th June– Tuesday 1st July
15.45pm-20.00pm

If you wish to donate blood you can check your eligibility & book your appointment at giveblood.ie or call us on 1800222111

READINGS Year C

First Reading: Acts 12:1-12

Psalm: Ps. 33:2-9

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-19

LOUGH DERG 2025

Sanctuary of St. Patrick, Pettigo, Co. Donegal

Bus to Three Day Pilgrimage

Fri 4th July-Sunday, 6th July &

Wednes 13th August –Fri 15th August 2025

Pick up available Monasterevin 6.25am, Kildare town 6.35am See notice board

For information & Booking

Joe 087 3815887

Deirdre 087 2467594 email deirdregleeson@medwise.ie

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Geraldine Keogh nee Delaney, Kilberry
JJ McDonald, Tankardstown. Funeral Mass in St Mary's, Barrowhouse on Monday at 3pm. Burial in adjoining Cemetery

Sat. 6pm Vigil:

Month's mind: Kenneth Phillips

Birthday remembrance: Denis Prendergast, Tom Kelly, Edward Perse

Anniversaries & Remembrance:

Nora Mary Gallagher, Bridget Bolger, Catherine Bergin, William Harrington, Kathleen Conroy (1st A), Patrick Supple, Paula Lawler (3rd A), Dec. members of Perse family, Laurence Doyle, Mary Dolly Phillips, Jack Phillips, Martin Hurley, Martina Cambie, Mary Myles, Kathleen & Victor Lyons, John & Josie Maher, Jack & Peggy Maher, Eileen Brophy, Nancy Dooley (12th A), May & Joe Kane, Sean & Jason Dooley, John Hoare, Maggie & Bill Hoare, Pat Hoare, Bill Hoare, May, Noel & John Murphy, Ann Murphy, Rita & Ted Ward, Kitty Byrne, Mary Hyland, Betty Cusack, Kathleen Mackey, Pat Fitzsimons, Martin Holohan, David Whittle, Maureen Coyle, Frank Honer, Marjorie Austin, Doris Pratt, Joe Carstairs, Dec. members of Kane & Hoare families, Special Intention, Carmel Haughton, Greta Fennelly, Barry Fennelly

Sunday 9am Barrowhouse: Leo Mulhare (Anniv)

Sunday 10.30am:

Birthday remembrance: Paul Cunningham

Anniversaries: & Remembrance:

Thomas & Marcella Whelan, Ellen & Patrick Mooney, Mary 'Dolly' Phillips, Jack Phillips, Breda Flynn (5th A), Bernadette Connolly, Christina Doyle, Joe & Hannah Meehan

Sunday 12 noon: Birthday rem: Paul Cunningham

Anniversaries: & Remembrance:

Nora Mary Gallagher, Lizzie Kelly, John Luttrell, Arthur Lawlor (1st A), Dec members of Lawlor & Cunningham families, Jeremiah Robinson, May Mulhall

Monday 9.30 am: Patrick & Dora O'Donoghue, Bill Horgan, Siobhan Kingston, Mary Cannon, Jean & Charlie O'Donnell

Tues. 9.30 am: Eileen McCarthy, Betty & Bill Redmond

Wednes. 9.30 am: Patrick 'Whack' Mulhall, Dec. members of Mulhall family, Joe & Veronica Bradley, Robert, Ann & Peter Redmond, Bridget Stanley

Thur 9.30am: Golden Book

Fri 9.30am: Altar List of the Dead

ROSARY & PRAYERS

at

Our Lady of Fatima Grotto, Kilkenny Rd
every Sun at 7.30 pm
All welcome

PARISH LOURDES PILGRIMS

will return home Tuesday next 1st July
We keep them in our prayers
for a safe trip home.



"...You will find rest for your soul..."
Mt 11:29

HOLY HOUR

every Tuesday
in
St Michael's parish Church
at the new time of
3pm-4pm

Share & Common Mass collections donate

The Archdiocese of Dublin have 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 in the Church for this purpose,
one at the back one at the side.

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

March 2025 tap & Go machine collected
€641 from 66 transactions to Share & Common Fund
April 2025 tap & Go machine collected
€500 from 56 transactions to Share & Common Fund
There is also a Tap & Go machine in church to
donate to Parish

Saint Peter & Paul, Apostles

Feast Day 29th June 2025

The Apostles Peter and Paul were two of the most important saints
in the early Church. Jesus appointed Saint Peter as the rock upon
which he would build the Church. Peter went on to lead the early
Church after Jesus ascended into heaven and moved to Rome to
become the first pope. Saint Paul was a Christian convert whose
letters were so well-read that they became the largest number of
books in the New Testament.

Saint Peter was one of the Twelve Apostles and the first Pope of the
Catholic Church. He was a fisherman in Bethsaida in the region of
Galilee when his brother Andrew invited him to meet Jesus the
Messiah. He became a disciple when Jesus called Peter and Andrew
to leave their work as fishermen and follow him to become "fishers
of men." Peter rose above the other Apostles as the leader of the
Twelve when he showed the courage and wisdom to call Jesus the
Messiah. Peter was born with the name Simon, but Jesus gave him
the name Peter, which means "rock." Jesus called him the rock
upon which he would build the Church. Although Saint Peter
abandoned Jesus during the crucifixion, he was filled with joy
about Jesus's Resurrection. He witnessed the Risen Jesus many
times before his Ascension into heaven. At Pentecost, Peter and the
other Apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit. Peter stood up and
gave the first of many speeches and began to work miracles as the
leader of the early Church. Peter then travelled around the world
preaching the Gospel until he ended his journey in Rome, the
capital of the empire. There Peter was arrested along with many
other Christians for not worshipping Roman gods. He was crucified
upside-down and buried in the same place where Saint Peter's
Basilica stands today.

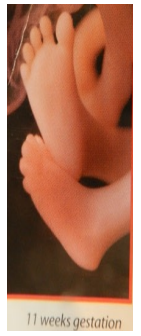
Saint Paul was originally known as Saul from Tarsus. He made
just as great an impact on the growth of the early Church as any of
the Twelve Apostles. Saul was a Roman citizen and tentmaker by
trade. He trained as a Pharisee to become an expert in Jewish Law.
He was sceptical of Christians and arrested and killed them as
enemies of the Jewish people until he encountered Jesus Christ
himself in a vision on the road to Damascus. Paul was baptized and
immediately began to preach the good news about Jesus Christ. He
travelled throughout the Mediterranean starting Christian churches
and writing letters back to Christian communities in Rome, Corinth,
Ephesus, Philippi, Galatia, and more. These letters later became a
large part of the New Testament. He was arrested many times by
opponents of the Church including two years in prison in Rome.
Saint Paul was martyred during the reign of the Roman Emperor
Nero.

The **Rally for Life 2025**,
the biggest pro-life event
of the year is **JUST 1 WEEKS away!**
Saturday, next, 5th July 2025
Help promote the rally with friends and
family.

contact us on info@thelifeinstitute.net or
call 01 8730465.

See more:
rallyforlife.net or thelifeinstitute.net

Choose Life



VOCATIONS

Please keep our seminarians and those discerning a vocation
to priesthood in your prayers. If you know of anyone interest-
ed in finding out more about becoming a priest, please ask
them to contact the Vocations team, Fr Séamus or Fr Bill, at

vocations@dublindiocese.ie or
bill.oshaughnessy@dublindiocese.ie.

This September join the
Missionaries of the Sacred Heart
as we walk the Camino Frances. We will end this special
fundraising pilgrimage with two days in Fatima.
Ex Dublin." Spiritual Director Fr Tony Horgan MSC.
For details ring Valerie at 021 4543988 or
email Valerie.buckley@mscmisions.ie "

Athy Parish website www.parishofathy.ie
Parish Radio 107.9 fm

ACCORD

Accord Carlow Relationship Counselling
at St. Catherine's Community Service Centre Carlow
Phone Mary at 086 4149034 or
email accordcarlow@gmail.com

IRISH HEART FOUNDATION & HIDDEN HEARING

mobile units
will be at the Athy Library (R14DK33)
Friday 4th July from 10am - 4.15pm
An opportunity for members of the community to
receive **free blood pressure and heart rate checks**,
along with expert advice on maintaining heart health.

PARISH OFFICE

Monday: 2.15 pm-4pm
(Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays)
Tue & Wednes 9.30-1.30 & 2-4pm
Thur & Fri: 9.30am-1.30 pm **Sat:** 10.30am-12.30am
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