



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



TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MISSION SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2025

Prayer

God, who love the human race,
your love touches our deepest selves
and fills us with joy in believing.
Help us to respond to your love in
constant prayer and faithful
discipleship.
Amen

MISSION

TODAY
TOMORROW
TOGETHER

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Rose O'Keeffe, Tonlague Lawns.
Anna Hughes nee Rowan, Pairc Bhride. Funeral Monay at
11 am followed by Burial in New St. Michael's Cemetery

Sat. 6pm Vigil: Month's mind: Alice Murphy

Birthday remembrance: Michael Keogh

Anniversaries & Remembrance:

Jimmy Robinson, Nora Mary Gallagher, Anne Moran, Sean Fitzsimons (1st A), Eddie Kenny, Eugene Mahon, Paddy Kane, Marie Murphy, Paul Maher, Lil Kelly (17th A), Brian Smith (7th A), Dec. patrons of Brian Smith's pub, Mary Anne Rowan, Denis Rowan, Patsy, Janie & Lilly Rowan, Bridie & Jimmy Connell, Tommie Comerford, Dec. members of Comerford & Hayes families, John Harris, Ambrose Martin, Dec members of Martin & Doyle Families, John Cusack

Sunday 9am Barowhouse:

Anniversaries & Remembrance.

Sunday 10.30am:

Anniversaries & Remembrance:

Frances O'Donoghue (1st A), Annie Whelan, Philomena Dempsey, May & Mikie Dempsey, Dec. members of Dempsey family, George & Mary Robinson, Dec. members of Robinson family, James & Maria Davis, Stephen Pender, Maureen Guidrea, Roseanne Keogh, Martin & Christina Dalton, David & Frances Dalton, James, Paddy & Mary Byrne, Christopher & Catherine Byrne, Dec. members of Cassidy family, Mary Anne Rowan, Denis Rowan, Patsy, Janie Lilly Rowan, Dan Boland (26th A), Tommie Comerford, Dec. mem of Comerford & Hayes families, Mary Leech, Ambrose Martin, Maureen Dalton (8th Anniv), Kathleen Browne, Eddie Browne, Mark Browne, Billy Browne, John Cusack, Tommy & Mary McDonagh, Jimmy Curtis, Bernie Kelly

Sunday 12 noon:

Month's mind: Eddie O'Donoghue

Anniversaries & Remembrance:

Frances O'Donoghue (1st A), Nora Mary Gallagher, Sean Fitzsimons (1st A), Dec. members of Fitzsimons & Robinson families, Pat Cooke, Bridie & Jimmy Connell, Tommie Comerford, Dec. mem of Comerford & Hayes families, John Harris, John Cusack

Monday 9.30 am: Margaret, Michael & Paddy Lannigan, Ned McCormack, Ted & Peter Curtis, Dan Boland (26th A)
Special Intention

Tues. 9.30 am: Jimmy Robinson, Martin Dalton, Jimmy Wright

Wednes. 9.30 am:

Birthday remembrance: Paul McHugh, John Moran

Anniv: Paul Maher,

Thur 9.30am: Patrick Dunne, Jer O'Sullivan

Friday 9.30am: Annie, Peter & Robert Redmond, Robert Young (18th A), Christina Dalton, James Byrne, Maggie & John Mooney, Mark & Jim Mooney, Ray Bowler

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.

Mission Sunday collection

Today we celebrate World Mission Sunday, the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. go to www.missio.ie for further information.

A Special collection will replace the Share collection.

Altar List of the Dead sheets and envelopes are available on tables at the doors of the Church. Your deceased loved ones listed will be remembered in Mass on All Souls Day and other Masses in November and then on the First Friday of the month for the next year. Please return to the Parish office or place in the collection bags at weekend Masses.

We are near the end of the **Parish Development collection year**. We remind those who make their contributions annually that they can make their payments now.

Area Distributors are reminded that the **new parish Development boxes** will be ready for collection from behind the high Altar from Saturday next, 25th October

Last Weekend Collections

P. Dev.: €731 **Common:** €1,115 **Share:** €772

Thanks to all who contributed

Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio – the Pope's charity for world mission – we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. We are called to be 'Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples' as everyone deserves to hear that God loves them and to be strengthened by God's Spirit. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace and justice to those in need. To donate, use the Missio envelope, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

READINGS Year C

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Psalms: Ps 120

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8



"...You will find rest for your soul..."
Mt 11:28
HOLY HOUR

Every Tuesday
St Michael's Church
2.30pm to 3.30pm

PARISH OFFICE OPEN;

Monday 2pm-4pm

Tue & Wednes 9.30-1.30 & 2-4pm

Thur 9.30am-1.30 pm & Friday 9.30am-1.30 pm

Saturday: 10.30am-12.30am

Phone: 059 86 38391

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NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE MASSES 2025

ATHY

Monday, 17th November

CROOKSTOWN

Wednes. 19th November

MOONE

Thursday, 20th November

KLMEAD

Monday, 24th November

MICHAEL ENGLISH

in Concert with
Monasterevin Gospel Choir

Friday 31st October 2025 St. Peter & Paul's Church

Monasterevin. 8pm Sharp

Tickets €30.00

Tickets on sale from: Parish Office 045 525346,

& Earley's Fashion Shop 045 525395

In aid of St. Peter & Pauls Church

& Monasterevin Senior Citizens

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Parish Radio 107.9 fm

CATECHETICAL CORNER – CATHOLIC CALISTHENICS.

Have you ever come to Mass tired, maybe the energy levels are low and yet you have to do all of this standing, sitting and kneeling? Why do we do that? Why can we not just sit and observe what is going on, saying the responses without all this moving around? It's like a workout in the gym.

Firstly, we are incarnate beings, flesh and blood, with senses and we engage them when we come to Mass. That is one of the reasons that we ring bells, and sometimes use incense. Mass is not a spectator sport. According to the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy from Vatican II (Sacrosanctum Concilium) '*[The] Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that fully conscious, and active participation in the [liturgy] ...*' (SC 14)

At Mass we don't just merely remember the sacrifice of Christ, we actively participate in it. Part of this active participation is to recognise the different parts of the Mass. One of the ways that we do this is by adopting different bodily postures; we stand, we kneel, we sit, we bow, we strike our breast, we genuflect. These different actions speak to our active and conscious participation as well as to the respect that we have for what is happening. We also listen, we watch, we speak, we touch, we taste we smell. In other words, we engage the whole person.

We stand to show respect and honour. When we stand at the start of Mass we show honour to the office of the priest and Who he represents. The priest stands in the place of Christ, the head of the Body which is the Church. He is both the one who offers the sacrifice and is to be a sacrifice for the people entrusted to his care. That is why there is often a Crucifix placed on the Altar, facing the priest, to remind him of his own sacrifice in the service of those entrusted to him.

We sit and listen, allowing us to be attentive to the word of GOD. We stand for the Gospel, the words of Christ Himself, and we are to encounter HIM in HIS word. We kneel as a gesture of humility before GOD and also of respect as we recognise in Whose presence we are.

The General Instruction on the Roman Missal says this: '*A common posture, to be observed by all participants, is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered for the sacred Liturgy: it both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants.*' (GIRM 42)

When we come to the Liturgy (Mass), we are not alone. Mass is not a private devotion. Liturgy is an act of common worship and in the case of the Mass, the highest form of worship. We may come alone but we gather as family. And when we gather, we become what we receive – the Body of Christ.

Family and Life

For information on pro life zoom sessions

and talks

emails@familyandlife.org

To support older people to live in their own home

with dignity and independence for as long as possible. If you would like to arrange a free visit from your Local Coordinator, please contact our National Office. 046 924 8899

Healthy Age Friendly Homes National Office,

Kells Civic Office, Headfort Place, Kells, Co Meath A82 W2R3

Does Your Home Allow You To Age In Place
with Independence?

Contact us:

healthyagefriendlyhomes@meathcoco.ie

ATHY MERCY ASSOCIATE MEETING

Parish Centre, Monday, 20th October, 7.30pm

Contact Elaine 085 1801 391



GRÁSTA

Upcoming courses Pre marriage

21st-23rd Nov 2025

6th –8th March 2026

Website: grasta.org info@grasta.org

ACCORD

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

Phone Mary at 086 4149034 or

email accordcarlow@gmail.com

Children Liturgy Sheets
available at doors of church

