



THE PARISH
OF ATHY

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



MASS OF THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 15TH MARCH 2026

Prayer

Faithful God, you call us to be faithful even in times of trial. Teach us to embrace the challenge of faith today, that we may have the courage to grow and give courage to others by our witness. Amen.



CHURCH NOTICES

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

TROCAIRE BOXES available at door of the church

We are in the Season of Lent, a good time to reflect on our Mass attendance and Prayer time.

St. Patrick's Day,

Tuesday, 17th March, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass in Athy at 9.30am & 12 Noon (12 noon Mass will be in the Irish language with music from Parish Choir)



St Patrick Day emblem, badges, brooches, candles available from Parish office.

Tuesday next is a bank holiday, Parish Office will be closed, Re-opening Wednesday at 9.30am.

Congratulations to the children from Ballyroe, Kilberry, Churchtown, Barrowhouse and Gael Scoil who received the Sacrament of Confirmation recently.

Last Weekend Collections:

P. Dev.: €1,058 **Common:** €1,490 **Share** €1,080
Thanks to all who contributed

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Maura Redmond nee Fingleton, Moatfield,
Kathleen McDermott, Kilberry
Michael Dunne, Chanterlands. Funeral at 11am Monday followed by burial in St Michael's New Cemetery

Sat. 6pm Vigil

Month's mind: Noel Kavanagh, Mary Chambers, Mary Prior,
Birthdays rem: Derek Donohue, Anthony Poole Jnr.

Anniversaries & Rem. Rita & Matt Hanly, John & Mary Murphy, Kathleen Clare, Roy & Michelle Thomas, Joan Cahill, Stephen Fitzgerald, Christopher & Esther Ludlow, Mary Murphy, Seán 'Pinkin' Moloney, Pat McArdle, Mary Scally (2nd A), Brid Byrne, Dec. mem. of Byrne & Lawler families, Kathleen Gleeson, Seamie Lawler (4th A), Rita & Gerry McGrath, Tosh Bambrick, Michael Byrne, Marian Byrne, Dec. mem. of Byrne & Mulhall families, Benny, Vivienne & John Anderson, Andy & Michael Doogue, Esther Mulhall (1st A), Breda Cleary (14th A), Baby Lily Dunne, Judy Mahon, Gerard Conaty, Peg Cambie, Betty Kelly, Kathleen & Mannix Thompson, Theresa & John O'Sullivan, Special Intention

Sunday 9am Barrowhouse: Mick & Annie Dowling, Alan Langton (2nd A)

Sunday 10.30am: Birthday Rem: Derek Donohue
Anniversaries & Remembrance: Matt, Tena & Paula McHugh, Stanley Mullery, Kathleen Staunton, Margaret Hayes, Pat McArdle, John Joe Murphy, Madge & Patsy O'Neill, Andy & Michael Doogue, Margaret Delaney, Ellen Doogue, Lil Murphy, Annie McDonald, Mary Martin, Maura Fenlon, Lil Murphy, Brigid Murphy, Jack Dillon, Susan Page, Elizabeth McConville, Lily Quinn, Margaret O'Toole, John, Katie & Maureen Kelly, Kathleen & Mannix Thompson, Theresa & John O'Sullivan, Jim Harris (Anniv)

Sunday 12 noon: Recently Deceased: Betty O'Brien.
Anniv: Pat McArdle, Denis Farrell, Peg Cambie, Rose Byrne, Dec. mem of Byrne family, Kathleen & Mannix Thompson, Mary Stynes, Brendan Lalor, Rem: Mary Foley, Helen McInerney, Nora McDonagh

Monday 9.30 am: Birthday rem. Anthony Poole Jnr.
Anniv: Kevin Mullery, Patrick & Elizabeth Carroll, Dec. members of Carroll family, Betty Bride, Gerard Conaty, Michael Dowling (25th Anniv), James & Mary Ennis

Tuesday- St Patrick's Day -Holy Day
9.30 am: Birthday rem: Daniel Butler, Denis Dunne
Anniv: Mick & Annie Dowling, Patrick O'Connor, Elizabeth Dunne, Alan Langton (2nd A), Anna-May & Philomena Perse, Claire Trout, Joy P Thomas,

12 Noon:

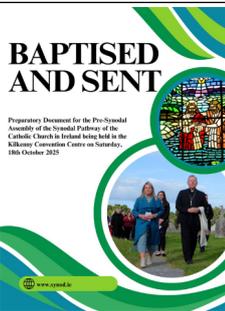
Birthdays Rem: Daniel Butler, Denis Dunne, Dora Phelan
Anniversaries & Rem. Matt, Tena & Paula McHugh, Stanley Mullery, Stephen Fitzgerald, Kathleen Staunton, Margaret Hayes, Lil Murphy, Alan Langton (2nd A), Elizabeth Dunne, Dominic, Ann & Sarah Dempsey, Leia Scully, Monica Price, Patrick & Mary Murphy, Fr Padraig O'Saorai, Patricia Kelly
Wednes. 9.30 am:

Birthdays rem. Johnny Morrissey, Josie Wright, Pat Harris,
Anniv. Christopher & Mary Cleary, Fr. Cathal Hutchinson, Roseanne Delaney, Julia Hussey, Margaret Canny,
Thur: 9.30 am: Martin & Margaret Fox
Friday 9.30am: Month's mind: Paddy Joe Brennan
Anniversaries: Betty & Paddy Brennan, Edward & Margaret Brennan, Tony, John & Michael Brennan, Special Intention

LENTEN PRAYER EVENING
overall theme

Baptised and sent by The Holy Spirit

St. Ita's Church Kilmead,
Thursday 19th March @ 7pm
Church of Ss Mary & Laurence,
Crookstown
Thursday 26th March @7pm.
All welcome.



Daffodil Day 2026

takes place on Friday 20th March.
Volunteers will collect outside St Michael's Parish Church on the day for The Irish Cancer Society. All donations and support will be greatly appreciated.



READINGS

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1.6-7.10-13
Psalms: Ps 22
2nd Reading: Ephesians 5: 8-14
Gospel John 9:1.6-9.13-17.34-38

Area Distributors are reminded that **Easter timetables and Dues envelopes** will be ready for collection from Saturday next

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Live Lent 2026 is the Lenten Programme of the Parishes of Athy, Narraghmore & Moone. You are invited to join your parish community online where, each day during Lent you will receive a message by either WhatsApp or email with words of inspiration and encouragement as we journey through Lent together.

To join, all you have to do is scan the QR code on the posters or in the Newsletter or send an email to:
livelent2026@gmail.com



Catechetical Corner –

Lenten Reflection on Fasting

As we continue our Lenten journey, our hearts, souls and minds are focused and ready to embrace our Lenten traditions and we are committed to doing even better than last year at giving up chocolate, social media, wine, being sarcastic, etc. So, what is the goal of this sacrifice? Moving our community into charity, mercy, justice, and solidarity. While sacrificing some of the things we enjoy and offering that up to God is undoubtedly strengthening our faith. So, if these actions bring us closer to God, ourselves, and others, we carry that love into the world.

Give up harsh words: use generous ones.

Give up unhappiness: take up gratitude.

Give up anger: take up gentleness and patience.

Give up pessimism: take up hope and optimism.

Give up worrying: take up trust in God.

Give up complaining: value what you have.

Give up stress: take up prayer.

Give up judging others: discover Jesus within them.

Give up sorrow and bitterness: fill your heart with joy.

Give up selfishness: take up compassion for others.

Give up being unforgiving: learn reconciliation.

Give up words: fill yourself with silence and listen to others.

PARISHES OF ATHY, MOONE & NARRAGHMORE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026

7 nights 4 Star Hotel Padoue

22nd June – 29th June 2026

Spiritual Director Fr. Francis McCarthy

Deposits are now due please

contact - Christopher Rowan 087 2707 182

Lourdes JUMBO EASTER EGG Raffle Fundraiser (4 prizes)

Tickets €2 per strip or €5 per for 3 strips
Tickets on sale after Mass

or
from Parish Office during opening hours

Draw will take place after Easter Vigil

PARISH OFFICE

Monday: 2 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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CONFIRMATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer books, Rosary beads, rosettes, pins, medals, cards, are available from the Parish office.



EASTER

Easter Mass Bouquet and Easter cards also available



**TUESDAY NEXT,
17TH MARCH
IS
A HOLY DAY
&
BANK HOLIDAY**

**HONOURING
THE
PATRON SAINT
OF IRELAND**

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

HOLY HOUR

There will be no Holy Hour
Tuesday next 17th March



**Stations
Of
The Cross
For Lent
after 9.30am Mass
Fridays
of Lent**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH - ATHY
FRIDAY'S DURING LENT AFTER 9.30AM MASS
EVERYONE WELCOME