



THE PARISH
OF ATHY

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



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, 26TH APRIL 2026

Prayer Often, loving Lord, we find ourselves astray and defenceless. Let us recognise your voice, calling us one by one as you call us to follow you. Amen.



CHURCH NOTICES

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

Weekday Masses: 9.30 am Rosary at 9.10am

Today is **Day of prayer for Vocations.**

Lay Ministry Appeal Sunday next, 2nd & 3rd May at all the Masses replacing the Share collection.

Easter Dues may be handed in at any of the Masses today or into the Parish Office during opening hours. Weekly box holders will find Easter Due envelope inside.

Last Weekend Collections:

P. Dev.: €628 **Common:** €1,455 **Share** €1,125

Thanks to all who contributed

**FR. TIM HANNON
60TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION**

Fr. Tim Hannon will celebrate the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination at a Special Mass on **Saturday, 23rd May, at 6pm** This will be followed by light refreshments. You are invited to join Fr. Tim for this Special Occasion.

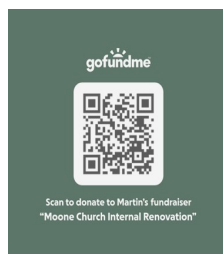
Moone Church Internal Renovation



Are you up for a challenge on Saturday 9th May?

Climb Croagh Patrick with us to raise funds for interior renovations to Moone Parish Church. Fr. Liam, Martin O'Neill and others are climbing Croagh Patrick on 9th May to raise funds to go towards the painting of the interior of Moone Church. You can donate via the following link: <https://gofund.me/c4626af8c>

Or, if you want a challenge, get in touch with Martin to join the climb of Croagh Patrick via the contact button on the following link for more details: <https://gofund.me/c4626af8c> Or use this QR code to access the GoFundMe page:



Thanks for your support

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Judy Holligan nee Dempsey, St Dominic's Park.

Sean Hunter, Greenhills

Michael Bridgett, Kilcoo

John Foley, Ballytore. Funeral in Kilmead Church, Tuesday next at 11 am.

Christopher Kelly, Australia, formerly Clonmullion.

Funeral arrangements later.

John Flood, Ballytore

Sat. 6pm Vigil Month's mind: Mary Foley,

Birthday rem: Joseph & Margaret Delaney, David Gallagher

Anniv & Remembrance:

Michael Carolan, Mutt Myles, Tom Fogarty, P.J. Fogarty, Maisie Kelly, James Roycroft, Alice & Michael Piert, Michael Piert (Jnr), Jim Luttrell, Cora Harkin, Kathleen & Patrick Donnelly, A.C. Molloy, Michael Myles, Jack Kelly, Nora Mary Gallagher, Caroline Prendergast, John Walsh, John & Margaret Breen, Richard Anderson, Gay Coffey, Kathleen Stynes (5th A), Patrick Winifred Neill, Mary Kate Neil, Rosanna O'Connor, Andrew Doogue, Special Intention

Sunday 9am Barrowhouse: Month's mind: Áine Bowden

Anniv: Patrick & Ellen Ryan, Carmel Houghton, Pauline Ryan, Mary & James Brennan, Dec. members of Brennan family

Sunday 10.30am:

Anniversaries & Rem:

Betty 'Elizabeth' O'Donnell (1st A), Cora Harkin, Edward & Angela Clancy, John Lynam, Nora Mary Gallagher, Lar Harrington, Cassie Nolan, Denis & Margaret Watts, Jennifer Keegan nee Bell, Bridgid Moore, Sean Byrne, Mick Dunne, Willie Langton, John & Margaret Breen, Alice O'Sullivan, Cora Harkin (2nd Anniv)

Sunday 12 noon: Month's mind: Betty O'Brien

Birthday rem: Michael & Elizabeth Ryan

Anniversaries & Remembrance:

Richard 'Dickie' Kelly (2nd A), John Lynam, Nora Mary Gallagher, John & Margaret Breen, Dermot Floona, Rita Tobin, Michael Heffernan, Kathleen Walsh, Joseph Walsh, Patrick Walsh, Anne Timpson, Tom Walsh, Michael Walsh, Denis Timpson, Jack Lawless, Dec members of Delaney Family, Dec mem of Walsh Family, Cora Harkins (2nd Anniv)

Monday 9.30 am: Bernadete Dunne, Special Intention

Tuesday 9.30 am: Birthday rem: Shay Chanders, Vincent & Elizabeth Lynne, Michael McMorrow, Seamus O'Brien, Maisie Kelly, Nora Ging, MV Thomas, Manul Edward, Thanksgiving.

Wednes. 9.30 am: Recently Deceased: Sean Hunter

Anniv. John Lynam

Thursday 9.30 am:

Friday 9.30 am: Altar List of The Dead

READINGS

1st Reading: Acts 2:14.36-41

Psalms: Psalm 22: 1-6

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2: 20-25

Gospel John 10: 1-10

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Open Day for September 2026 courses at Athy Further Education and Training Centre.

Drop in for information on our full and part-time courses

on Wednesday the 13th, 20th and 27th May from 10am to 12pm.

For additional information please contact Rachel Doyle on
059 8632044 at

Further Education and Training Centre, Carlow Road, Athy. Co
Kildare. www.athyfetc.ie or email us at infoathy@kwetb.ie.

Communion for the Sick or Housebound.

If you would like to have Holy Communion brought to a family member or friend who may be sick or housebound, please contact one of the priests or the Parish Office.

Holy Communion can only be brought by a priest or a commissioned minister of the Eucharist and a Pyx, which has been blessed, is the only means by which the Sacred Host can be carried.

Out of respect for the Sacred Host, Holy Communion should never be taken home in a piece of tissue or an envelope.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

is a significant event in the Catholic Church, aimed at promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life.

It is a day to publicly fulfil the Lord's instruction to pray for labourers in His harvest.

The day is also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday" and is observed on April 26, 2026.

The USCCB offers a variety of resources include seven specific items designed for priests, families, young adults, teens, and children. *The family is the "seedbed of vocations"*

Praying for vocations encourage children to consider religious life, and modelling a joyful faith-filled life.

[Matthew 9:37](#)

Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.

"Every vocation is an immeasurable gift for the Church and for those who receive it with joy." – Pope Leo XIV, Message for the 63rd World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2026

In his message for this year's World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Leo XIV reminds us that vocation is an "interior discovery" of God's gift, planted deep within our hearts and nurtured through prayer, listening, and trust. He encourages all of us to create a spirit of faith, prayer, and support, so that God's call may be heard and generously embraced.

We give thanks that, in the Archdiocese of Dublin, there are currently three seminarians, along with others discerning a call to the priesthood this year. Their generous "yes" is a powerful sign of hope for our Church and our communities. Let us keep them in our prayers, and also remember all those considering a vocation to the priesthood, religious life, lay ministry, or family life. May they find the courage to pause, listen, and follow the voice of the Good Shepherd.

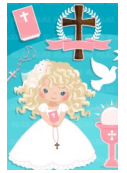
May this Good Shepherd Sunday be a moment of encouragement and support, where vocations are welcomed, nurtured, and allowed to flourish among us.

If you would like to find out more about being a diocesan priest serving in the Archdiocese of Dublin, please contact:

www.dublindioocese.ie/vocations

Fr Seamus McEntee, Director of vocations
vocations@dublindioocese.ie

CONFIRMATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



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

April, May St Martin Magazine on sale in Parish office cost €2

PARISH OFFICE

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

SACRAMENTS DATES IN THE PARISHES OF ATHY, NARRAGHMORE & MOONE

CONFIRMATION

SCHOOL

DATE

Athy-SMN

May 29th

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Moone

May 22nd

Kilmead

May 7th

Crookstown

May 28th

Athy-SMN

May 1st

Athy-SPN

May 15th

Barrowhouse

May 16th

Gaelscoil

May 28th

Churchtown

May 22nd

Ballyroe

May 22nd

Kilberry

May 22nd

Model

May 22nd



ATHY & DISTRICT CARE OF THE ELDERLY COMMITTEE MEETING

Parish Centre, Mount Hawkins

on Monday, 27th April, at 8pm.

Lenten Trocaire boxes

can be returned to the church if you can not bank your contributions yourself.

Share & Common Mass collections

donate

The Archdiocese of Dublin have a "Tap2Donate" 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 now enter your Parish ID number with your

contribution if you wish to be identified.



THANK YOU

Irish cancer society wishes to thank all who supported their recent Daffodil Day collection.

Total raised €9,481.00 by local group