



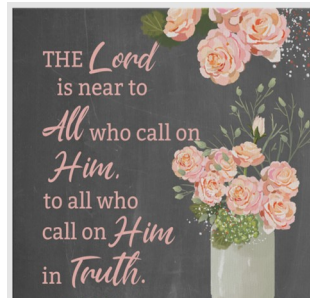
THE PARISH
OF ATHY

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



MASS OF THE TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 20TH SEPTEMBER 2026

*I am the salvation of
the people, says the
Lord. Should they cry
to me in any distress,
I will hear them; and
I will be their Lord
forever.*



CHURCH NOTICES

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

Weekday Masses: 9.30 am Rosary at 9.10am

The **annual collection for Crosscare** takes place **this weekend of September 19/20** in place of the usual Share collection.

Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin, provides practical support to people at some of the most difficult moments in their lives. Every day Crosscare works alongside families worried about losing their home, young people in need of guidance and support, people experiencing homelessness, and migrants and refugees seeking safety and a fresh start. The theme of this year's appeal is **Hope & Resilience**.

Next Sunday is Safeguarding Sunday.

Last Weekend Collections:

P. Dev.: €510 **Common:** €1,340 **Share** €1,020
Thanks to all who contributed

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

The Dominican Pilgrimage to Knock takes place **Sunday, 11th October**.
(closing of current pilgrimage season)

Athy parish is running a bus.

Ticket €30

Booking & pre payment necessary

Contact the Athy parish office
with your name and phone details.

Parish Office : 059 86 38391



READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 55: 6-9

Psalms: Ps.144

2nd Reading: Philippians 1: 20-24.27

Gospel: Matthew 20: 1-16

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Sat. 6pm Vigil

Months Mind: Kathleen 'Rita' Lawler, Jack Kennedy

Birthday Rem: Tosh Bambrick

Anniversaries & Rem:

Martin Mullins, Luke O'Hanlon, Nora Mary Gallagher, Joe Brady (1st anniv), Frances O'Donoghue (2nd anniv), Eddie O'Donoghue (1st anniv), Richard Bracken (2nd anniv), Teresa Perse Wakeman, Ger Noonan (30th Anniv) Claire & Margaret Phillips, Dec mem of Phillips, Flynn & Johnson Families, Mona Dolan, Ned Cambie, Tom Joe Bradley (1st Anniv), Jim McBride, David & Bridie Bolger, Andy Whelan, (6th Anniv), Henry Foley (38th Anniv) Christy & Mary Stynes, Mary Roche, Eileen Roche, Bill Redmond (4th Anniv) & Betty Redmond,

Sunday 9am Barrowhouse:

John Malone, Kathleen, Charles & Ursula Bowden, David & Bridie Bolger

Sunday 10.30am:

Birthday Rem: Paddy Robinson

Anniversaries:

Paddy Ennis, Martin Mullins, Nora Mary Gallagher, Frances O'Donoghue (2nd Anniv), Eddie O'Donoghue, Richard Bracken Jnr. (2nd Anniv), Ned Cambie (Anniv), Tom Joe Bradley (1st Anniv), Ernest O'Rourke Glynn, Mary Roche, Eileen Roche, Dec mem of Roche Family, Dominic & Kathleen O'Loughlin, Chareme Bernasor (Anniv) Vinnie Dalton (10th Anniv)

Sunday 12 noon

Anniversaries:

Paddy Ennis. John Murphy, Christy Lamon, Eamonn Stafford, Martin Mullins, Nora Mary Gallagher, Francis O'Donoghue (2nd Anniv), Eddie O'Donoghue (1st Anniv), Ned Cambie, Andy Whelan (6th Anniv), Pat Flinter (5th Anniv), Mary Roche & Eileen Roche, Dec mem of Roche Family

Monday 9.30 am:

Andy Whelan (6th Anniv), Special Intention

Tuesday 9.30 am:

Paddy Robinson (Birth Rem), Emmanuel Edward (Remembrance), Special Intention,

Wednes 9.30am:

Ernest O'Rourke Glynn

Thursday 9.30 am:

Special Intention

Friday 9.30 am:

Derek Donohue (4th Anniv), Special Intention, Donor's Intention

PARISH TEAM



Fr. Francis McCarthy C.C. Ph: 087 6978143
(Acting Parish Priest)

Fr Seamus McEntee will take up his appointed as Parish Priest of the Parishes of Athy, Narraghmore and Moone by November.

Fr. Tim Hannon C.C. Ph: 059 8630704,
Canon Frank McEvoy, 4 Stanhope Pl

Pastoral Workers: Natasha Geoghegan Ph: 087 6730300
natasha.curran@dublindiocese.ie

Charity Governance Code RCN 20016166

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

Abide Women's Conference,

November 20-22,

the Great Northern Hotel Bundoran, Co. Donegal.

Speakers include: Sarah Swafford, Fr Barry Braum,

Fr Mark Wharton, Kimberlee WooLing, Danielle Noonan,
Nashville Dominicans & more, Mass will be celebrated by
Bishop Fintan Gavin, from Cork & Ross Diocese.

We would love to welcome you this weekend. For more

details please visit Abide in His Love at

eventbrite.ie Registration link: [https://
abideinhislove.eventbrite.com](https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com)

ACCORD

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

This week's Feasts

Monday, 21st September: St Matthew

St. Matthew the Apostle

Feast Day, September 21

The Patron Saint of Accounts, Bankers and Tax Collectors

St. Matthew was born in Galilee. He worked as a tax collector, which was a hated profession during the time of Christ.

According to the Gospel, Matthew was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ.

From Matthew, we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through Him. The Gospel of Matthew is the first of the four Gospels in the New Testament.

Many years following the death of Christ, around 41 and 50 AD, Matthew wrote his Gospel account. He wrote the book in Aramaic in the hope that his account would convince his fellow people that Jesus was the Messiah and that His kingdom had been fulfilled in a spiritual way. It was an important message at a time when almost everyone was expecting the return of a militant messiah brandishing a sword.

It is believed that Matthew departed for other lands to escape persecution sometime after 42 AD. According to various accounts, he fled to Parthia and Persia, or Ethiopia. Nothing is recorded of St. Matthew's passing. We do not know how he died, if his death was natural or if he was martyred.



ST. MATTHEW
VENERATED

Roman Catholic Church
Eastern Orthodox Church
Eastern Catholic Churches

Wednesday, 23rd September: St. Eunan

Friday, 25th September: St Finbarr

St Matthew, St Eunan & St. Finbarr pray for us

REVISED PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS UNTIL MID SEPTEMBER

Monday: 2pm-4pm
(Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays)
Tue: 9.30-1pm
Wednes 9.30-1.30 pm & 2-4pm
Thur & Fri: 9.30am-1.30 pm
Sat: 10.30am-12.15 am

Phone: 059 86 38391
Email: athyparishrc@eircom.net

HOLY HOUR

in St Michael's Church on Tuesdays in Parish Church
from **2.30pm -3.30pm**

ATHY CORAL FUSION

presets
An Evening of Harmonies

Friday, 25th September, 7.30pm Soil Phadraig Naofa

An unforgettable choral event featuring

tenor Paul Linehan,

Castlecomer Male Voice Choir,

Baldonnell Singers,

Scoil Phadraig Naofa Children Choir

Athy Choral fusion

All proceeds go to the Irish cancer Society and FND Ireland
(Functional Neurological Disorder)

Tickets cost €20 and are available from Event Brite,
Winkles and any choir member.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend
Invest in your marriage.
Strengthen your love.
Couples are invited to a
Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Weekend from
2nd-4th October 2026
at the Focolare Centre, Curryhills,
Prosperous, Co. Kildare.
For details and to apply:
www.marriageencounter.ie
Presented by Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland.

CARMELITE FRIARY CHURCH
White Abbey, Kildare Town

**TRIDUUM & FEAST OF
ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX**
28-30 SEPTEMBER 2026
Feast Day: 1 October

Celebrating the 25th anniversary of the visit
of St Thérèse's relics to Ireland in 2001

TRIDUUM • 28, 29 & 30 SEPTEMBER

Rosary each evening at 5:00 pm
led by the Third Order Carmelites,
followed by Mass.

VENERATION OF THE RELICS

29 SEPTEMBER
10:00 am Mass
Veneration until 12 noon

30 SEPTEMBER
8:00 am Mass
Blessing of Roses for the
Knit / Crochet a Rose Campaign
Veneration until 10:00 am only

FEAST DAY • THURSDAY, 1 OCTOBER

7:00 pm Special Mass
with Bishop Denis Nulty
Veneration until 9:30 pm

Blessed roses will be available

ALL ARE WELCOME

Contact the Friary Shop: 083 090 4124

St. Peter & Paul's Concert Committee
Present

THE CELTIC TENORS

in concert with Monasterevin Gospel Choir

Friday 9th October @ 8pm

St. Peter & Paul's Church Monasterevin

TICKETS €25

(non refundable) in aid Of

St. Peter & Paul's Church & Monasterevin Tidy Towns

Tickets on sale at Parish Office 045 525 346

Earleys Fashion Shop 045 525 395 & Eventbrite.ie