ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **SUNDAY 2nd August 2020**

Church notices

Public Mass with congregations has returned

Following HSE guidelines, a number of restrictions will be in place-enter by one door exit by another door, with a one way system in operation. A section of the church will be opened allowing private prayer and access to shrines to light a candle.

Hand sanitisers are installed at all the doors-please use them.

Please respect social distancing.

At present only 97 people maximum will be allowed in to Athy Church This will be on a first come first served basis. Everyone else is invited to attend Mass in their cars or in the car park tuning in the Parish radio or watching live steaming on mobile phones. Holy Communion will be brought outside.

Saturday Mass will be at the usual time of 6 pm.

Sunday Masses will 10.30 am and 12.30 pm. The later time of 12.30 pm is to allow sufficient time for cleaning and sanitising of the church. Mass in Barrowhouse is at 9 am.

Mass is celebrated every weekday at 9.30 am. Rosary will be prayed at 9 am in St. Michael's Church, Athy. Parish Church will be open until 5 pm every weekday. Mass on bank holiday Monday at 11 am. There will be no 9.30 am Mass in the Parish Church.

Cemetery Masses

It is with regret that it has been decided to cancel all cemetery Masses this summer. This is due to the current government guidelines on Covid-19 limiting outdoor gatherings to 200 people and also accepting the difficulty of social distancing of two meters, even in a cemetery. We hope to proceed with the usual November blessings of the graves subject to government guidelines.

Baptisms

The Parish is now taking bookings for baptisms. Baptisms take place in Athy on 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 2.30 pm starting in August. Because of the number of Baptisms that were postponed the parish has 2 extra Sundays in August. Because of Covid-19 restrictions, there will be only 4 babies baptized per ceremony. Each family allowed to bring 12 people. There will be no Baptism preparation meetings. A member of the Baptism team will make telephone contact prior to the Baptisms. For Baptisms in Barrowhouse please contact the Parish Office.

The Parish Office

Parish Office will be closed Monday, 3rd August & Thursday, 6th August

Contributions

Thanks to all who have contributed recently your donations are gratefully appreciated. Some parishioners may be in a position to make up for, or part of, the 16 weekends for which the Church could not take up collections. Parish Office has envelopes from the diocese for **Share** and **Common Fund collections**. You can make your donation at weekend Mases into bucket collection or bring to the Parish Office. For Parish Development Fund You can contribute in any envelope with you contribution number or your name and address on it. Last weekend's collections;

Common: €725 Share: €570 Parish Dev: €1,859 Your contributions are very much appreciated.

ALONE COVID 19 HELPLINE

supports for older people who have concerns relating to the outbreak of COVID-19(Coronavirus) in Ireland. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary.

The support line will open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818222024,

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased:

Saturday 6 pm: Month's mind: Anniversaries:

Anniversaries:
Patrick Horan, Anne McManus, Margaret
Deegan, Josie & John Maher, Deceased members
of Maher family, Eileen Brophy, Michael Kelly,
Debbie Harris, George Chatfield, Kevin
Hamilton, Catherine Kelly, Peter Smyth, Michael
& Kevin Barry, John Murphy, Deceased members
of Murphy & Foley Families, May, Noel & John
Murphy, May & Joe Kane, Nancy, Sean & Jason
Dooley, Ted Ward, Kathleen Mackey, Martin
Holohan Pat Fitzsimons, Marjorie Austin Doris Holohan, Pat Fitzsimons, Marjorie Austin, Doris Platt, Dec mem of Kane & Hoare Family, Eddie & Mollie Walsh,

Birthday remembrance: Norman Glynn

9 am Barrowhouse:

Patrick & Theresa Brennan, Una Whelan, Mary Bergin (2nd Anniv.)

10.30 am Shared Mass:

Anniversaries:

Mary Dempsey, deceased members of Conway & Dempsey families, Annie McManus, Margaret Deegan, Patrick & Theresa Brennan, Mary

12.30 Noon:

Kevin Hamilton, Special Intention, Nancy Farrell, Annie McManus, Margaret Deegan Birthday remembrance: Norman Glynn

Mon: 11 am: Patrick Horan, TV Mathew, Mary Cannon, Elizabeth Curtis, Special Intention Tues 9.30 am: John Josie Maher, Dec. members of Maher family, Eileen Brophy, Special Intention Larry Foy, Special Intention

Wed: 9.30 am: Peter Nolan, Special Intention, John Murphy, Dec members of Murphy & Foley families, Teresa & John O'Sullivan, Special Intention, Anne Malone

Thur: 9.30 am: Golden Book

Fri: 9.30 am: Altar List of the Dead

Mass available on live streaming on Parish website; www.parishofathy.ie Also available on radio 107.9 fm

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Meetings return 14th August between 10-11am All welcome to join for a cup of tea & chat in the Parish Pastoral centre

Irish Hospice National BEREAVEMENT HELPLINE

Phone: 1800 80 70 77 Mon-Fri 10 am-1 pm Free online webinar

11th August 2-3pm

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/how-can-teachers-support -bereaved-children-in-the-classroom-tickets-113560564706

> See Sunday resources www.newpilgrimpath.ie