ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH, ATHY

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Sunday 29th November 2020

CHURCH NOTICES

Advent begins today (Liturgical Year B)

Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas, a time of waiting, conversion and of hope

MASS & RESTRICTIONS

Masses will open to the public from Tuesday next, 1st December.

This includes weekday and weekend Masses.
Weekend Masses Sat Vigil 6 pm, Sunday 10.30am and 12.30 pm & 9am in Barrowhouse. Weekday Mass is at 9.30am.

Similar restrictions on gathering sizes that were in place before the lock down are in place.

Weekday Mass 9.30 am with rosary prayed at 9 am available by live streaming on the Parish webcam on Parish website www.parishofathy.ie and on Parish radio 107.9 fm.

The Church is open until 4.45 pm for private prayer each day except Sunday.

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 access to shrines to light a candle. Hand sanitisers are installed at all the doors-please use them. Please respect social distancing. Wear of masks is required.

Christmas Altar List

If would like to have your departed loved ones remembered in our Masses over the Christmas, please hand in their names to the Parish office by 1.30pm on Tuesday 22nd December in time for printing Christmas Altar List.

Last weekend:

Common: €225 Share €161

Parish Dev: €1,602(of which €1,315 were annual subscriptions)

Your contributions are very much appreciated.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL APPEAL December 2020

It is regrettable that SVP cannot be present in our churches this year like other years.

You can make a donation to our local conference in the following way; Drop it into Parish office, Athy

or leave it into the charity shop Vincent, Duke St.
You can post to head office SVP House, 91-92 Sean McDermott St.,
Dublin1 ~Freepost F3507 or

donate online "Donate now" SVP

SVP society would like to thank all who donated over the years and ask again for your support.

KILBERRY NATIONAL SCHOOL

Are now accepting enrolments for Sept 2021. Applications can be submitted online through website kilberryns.ie or phone the school office on 059 86 38448 or email kilberry.ias@gmail.com Closing date for applications 8th December

MINI ADVENT RETREAT

You are invited to take part in a mini retreat Tuesday 1st to Thursday 3rd Dec. To take part email thehookoffaith@gmail.com Fr. Billy Swan will lead the retreat from St Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy

PARISH OFFICE/SHOP

Advent candles, Children's advent calendars, Christmas gifts are now in stock

Office will be open for normal hours from Tuesday, 2nd December

Please take home a copy of newsletter/missallette

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Recently Deceased: Christopher Doyle, Townspark George Moore, Kilberry Emily McEvoy, St. Joseph's Tce Mary 'Bridie' Maloney, Clonmullion

Saturday 6 pm: Month's mind:

Anniversaries:

Richard Flanagan, Ann Spring, Olive Harte (2nd Anniv.), Dick Moore, Tom Kavanagh, Nora Kavanagh, Andrew Kavanagh, Patrick Bolger, Mairead Byrne (2nd Aniv.), Deceased Sisters of Mercy, Athy, John Conway

10.30 am Shared Mass:

Anniversaries:

Tony Bracken, Willie & Joan Kelly, Brian & Sheila Kelly, Mairead Byrne (2nd Anniv.), Jim Flinter, Doreen Behan nee Flinter, Nell & Jim Byrne, Theresa Hickey, Olive Perry,

12.30 am:

Anniversaries:

Carrie Robinson, Robbie Robinson, Frank Webb, Baby Webb, Elizabeth & Frank Dowling, James Dowling, Tom Murphy, Mairead Byrne (2nd Anniv.)

Mon: 9.30 am:

Patrick Aldridge, Tony Bracken, Molly Butler (7th Anniv.), Dick Norris, Special Intention Tues 9.30 am: Tommy Donnelly,

Special Intention
Wednes. 9.30 am: Ann Hogan,
Margaret Callan (1st Anniv.), Marion Moran, Margaret McCann,

Johnny Fox (birthday rem.),

Special Intention

Thurs: 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. Mass available on radio 107.9 fm.

Mass from K&L Diocese on Kclr fm at 9.30 am Sunday

Sunday, 29th Nov 2020

1st READING: Isaiah 63: 16-17: 64: 1.3-8 PSALM (Ps 79) 2nd READING: Corinthians 1: 3-9

GOSPEL: Mark 13: 33-37

ALONE COVID 19 HELPLINE

supports for older people who have concerns our queries relating to COVID-19. Professional staff available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line will open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

To Volunteer your help visit www.alone.ie