

2ND OF JUNE 2024

CORPUS CHRISTI — THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE

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MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

Saturday June 1st

Vigil Mass at 6.30pm
Mass for Exam Students

Sunday June 2nd

Mass at 11:00am
Pat Slater (1st Anniversary)

Saturday June 8th

Vigil Mass at 6.30pm
Intention

Sunday June 9th

Mass at 11:00am
Pro Populo

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

NEWCASTLE

Sunday June 2nd

Mass at 10:00am
Kate Morris, Tysaxon.

Sunday June 9th

Mass at 10:00am
Mikey, Bridie & Michael John Kindregan, Cahertubber.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Bridie (Bridio) Moloney (Née O'Shea), Belville.
Margaret Lynch, Loughrea, sister of Gerry Magee, Cullairbaun.
Maura McKevitt, The Glade.
Tommy Loughnane, Cahertubber.

NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We thank all those who have put their names forward to be Eucharistic Ministers. Commissioning will take place during the 11:00am Mass on Sunday June 2nd, Corpus Christi. We are asking for an initial 4-year commitment, as we are asking current Ministers to renew for another four years. We hope that training for new Ministers will take place in the coming weeks. While existing Ministers are welcome to attend this Mass it is not necessary for them to do so. Sincere thanks again to all for your generosity.

BASKET COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND

ATHENRY / NEWCASTLE €3,270

SIGNED MASS CARDS (INDIVIDUAL MASS - €10.00)

Signed Mass Cards are available in the Parish Office:

- Sympathy (RIP) Mass Bouquet Get Well Soon

MASS INTENTIONS MON 3rd — SAT 8th JUNE

- The Hession Family, The Square — Jackie, Bridie, Della (Stockwell), Noirin, Mike, Seán & Paul.
Bill Fallon, Farnablake.
Kate Morris, Tysaxon.
Anne & Séamus Cullinane, Raheen & deceased members of the Kelly & Cullinane families.
Murray Huban, Derrydonnell.
Martin & Ellen Ward, their son Laurence and deceased members of the Ward family, Banogues, Caltra.
Sadie & Patrick Keane, & deceased members of the Keane family, Greethill & the Burke family, Cartymore.
Mary & Tommy Whelan, Old Church Street.
Mai Wilson, Old Church Street.
Ann Devally, New Line & deceased members of the Devally & Heavey families.
Dan & Sally O'Connor, Galway, Michael & Nora O'Connor, Carnmore & deceased of O'Connor & Skerritt families.
Sorcha Rabbite & Patricia Rabbite, Caheroyan Park.
Mary Melia, Church St. & deceased members of the O'Shea & Melia families.
Delia & James Burke, Cahertubber.
Tommy & Willie Allen & deceased members of the Mahon family, Knockbrack.
Mary O'Connell, Galway & deceased members of the O'Connell family.
Joe, Mary & Francis Tuohy, Bengarra.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2024 WITH FR. BENNY

Fr. Benny will be leading a pilgrimage to Medjugorje from Knock to Mostar. Dates: 9th — 16th October. Price €855:

- Transport from Mostar Airport to Medjugorje,
7 nights accommodation,
Breakfast and Dinner each day, plus
Full religious programme by Marian Pilgrimages.
Booking number for Marian Pilgrimages is 01 8788159.
Please ring Fr. Benny on 087-2387336 for further details.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY DURING SUNDAY 11AM MASS

Children's liturgy is on every Sunday during 11:00am Mass in the Pastoral Centre. All children in Junior Infants to 1st Class are welcome — just join the volunteers at the front of church, when the celebrant calls them up at the start of Mass (no need to pre-register). There is colouring for younger children at the back of the church during this Mass.

SOILSE DISCO FRIDAY, JUNE 7TH

Venue: The Parish Centre.

Date & Time: Friday June 7th (8:00-10:00pm).

Everyone welcome.

EXAM PRAYER SERVICE

Exam Prayer Service takes place on Tuesday June 4th at 9:00pm in Athenry church. We ask you to spread the word to young people sitting state examinations on the following day. The reason we have the prayer service so late the evening before is to allow time for study, but also to afford students a calm and relaxing atmosphere to relax and pray, but also to meet each other for a short time. It's an opportunity to get away from books and screens and connect with friends and classmates, hopefully allowing a deeper sense of calm and an atmosphere of support.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

The traditional Corpus Christi Procession will take place next Sunday June 2nd after 11:00am Mass. The Procession will follow the traditional route: Depart from Athenry church, Church Street, Old Church Street, Clarke Street, Cross Street with Benediction at The Square before returning to the church via McDonald's Lane and Church Street. The children who made their First Holy Communion along with their parents are particularly welcome to participate. We invite and encourage you to keep this tradition alive.

MUSIC AT 11:00AM MASS

Entrance Alleluia, sing to Jesus.

* Sequence Ecce Panis Angelorum (Plainchant)

Offertory Ecce Panis Angelorum (Anon.)

Sanctus / Agnus Dei Mass XV ("Dominus Deus")

** Communion Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart)

Benediction Tantum ergo

Christus vincit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat

*** Recessional Faith of our fathers

* Behold the Bread of Angels, become the food of the pilgrims: truly the bread of the sons, which cannot be thrown to the dogs.

It is pre-signified in types, when Isaac is brought to be sacrificed, the Paschal lamb is chosen, manna is given to the fathers.

Good shepherd, true bread, Jesus, have mercy on us:

feed us, protect us, make us see good things in the land of the living.

You Who know and can do all things, You who feed us mortals here, make us there your table companions, coheirs and comrades of the holy citizens.

** Hail, True Body, born of the Virgin Mary,

Truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, / From whose

pierced side flowed water and blood:

Be for us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet / In the trial of death.

*** Faith of our fathers, living still

In spite of dungeon, fire and sword;

O, how our hearts beat high with joy

Whene'er we hear that glorious word!

Faith of our fathers! Holy Faith!

We will be true to thee 'til death, we will be true to thee 'til death.

Faith of our fathers, Mary's prayers

Shall win our country back to thee;

And through the truth that comes from God

This land shall then indeed be free.

GALWAY 3-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG.

Date: Fri. 21st June - Sun. 23rd June 2024. Time: 7am.

Depart: Renmore Church Friday 21st June. Cost: €140

Pick up points: Maldron Hotel (Oranmore), Claregalway and Tuam Garda Station. Other pick up points can be arranged. For more details and booking contact Anne on 0868381633.

150 YEARS - COLDWOOD NATIONAL SCHOOL 1874 - 2024

Coldwood National School would like you to join them for a celebration ceremony in thanksgiving and remembrance of 150 years; in Coldwood N.S. on Friday June 14th at 11:00am.

CORPUS CHRISTI—A FOCUS ON THE EUCHARIST

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. It gives us an ideal opportunity to reflect on our relationship with the Eucharist. It is very easy, because the Eucharist is so familiar to us to take it for granted and indeed be complacent about it. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. When we attend Mass be aware that it is the highest form of prayer.

Adoration

Preparation for the celebration of the Eucharist is important, and indeed spending time in Adoration is strongly encouraged and promoted. However Adoration should not take place during Mass, as the Lord is becoming present on the Altar. Again we are always looking for more Adorers in both churches and strongly encourage you to spend some time there.

Approaching for Holy Communion

As we approach the Eucharist is it important that we truly believe Jesus to be present, and therefore be properly prepared. If we receive Communion in the hands please make sure that your hands are clean, you are not holding any object, and not wearing gloves. Otherwise you might consider receiving Holy Communion on the tongue.

As we approach the altar, we do so as part of a procession, slowly and reverently, taking our time and not rushing. If you receive Holy Communion on the hand, please consume the Sacred Host before you leave the Communion station. On returning to your seat we encourage a time of quiet prayer and thanksgiving.

Communion to the sick and housebound

The priests of the Parish visit those who are sick and housebound on a monthly basis throughout the year. Should anyone like to be added to those lists please contact the Parish Office. Those who wish to receive Holy Communion more regularly at home often have Ministers calling to them. This can be arranged through the priests. It is essential that anyone taking Communion from the church in a pyx, inform one of the priests that they are doing so. It is important that Eucharistic Ministers who are assisting at Mass only have the Host placed in the pyx after Communion. Please ensure that if you are taking Communion to someone at home that you are free to do so, going straight to the person's home after Mass without running other errands first.

Being Ready

At the start of Mass the penitential rite prepares us to receive Holy Communion worthily, we also recommend and encourage regular Confessions.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick takes place at the 10:00am Mass next Saturday June 8th. While we are delighted to be able to offer this Sacrament to those who need it and eligible to receive it, we remind parishioners again that this is a sacrament of the Church, and not simply a blessing and only avail of it if you are in need of it. It is recommended that this Sacrament be received no more than once per month.