

18TH MAY 2025

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE



✠ MASS TIMES ✠

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

SATURDAY MAY 17TH — VIGIL MASS AT 6.30PM

Kitty Rooney, Rahard (Month's Mind)

SUNDAY MAY 18TH — MASS AT 11:00AM

Intention

SATURDAY MAY 24TH — VIGIL MASS AT 6.30PM

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SUNDAY MAY 25TH — MASS AT 11:00AM

Maura McKeivitt (1st Anniversary)

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NEWCASTLE

SUNDAY MAY 18TH — MASS AT 10:00AM

Daniel & Mary Ann Carr, Jack & Chris Carr & the deceased of the Carr and Mannion families

SUNDAY MAY 25TH — MASS AT 10:00AM

Sinead Morris, Joey Geary & deceased of Morris & Fahy families

✠ RECENTLY DECEASED — MAY THEY REST IN PEACE ✠

Kathleen Dodd nee Kennedy, Carrickmacross & Slievruue, sister of Margaret Kelly, Clorane & Cora O'Rourke, Garraí Glas.

Rose McGrath, Tuam & formerly Athenry, sister of Juno, Joe & Kieran Barrett & Anne Scully

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ATHENRY

Mon — Wed. 10:30am — 6:00pm daily

Thurs. 10:30am — Sat. 6:00pm (perpetual)

Sunday 12 noon — 6:00pm

NEWCASTLE

Saturday 7:00pm — 8:00pm

Monday 6:00pm — 9:00pm

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Every Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre. While this is a ministry fully open to everyone, we encourage young people aged 18 — 35 especially. New members are always welcome.

ST. MARY'S ATHENRY MASS CARDS

All cards signed by Fr. Charlie / Fr. Benny.

They are available in the Parish Office. Choose from:

✠ SYMPATHY MASS CARD

✠ EXAM MASS BOUQUET

✠ BIRTHDAY MASS BOUQUET

✠ GENERAL MASS BOUQUET

✠ GET WELL MASS BOUQUET

✠ THANK YOU MASS BOUQUET

BASKET COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND

ATHENRY / NEWCASTLE €2,890

READINGS: 24TH & 25TH MAY (6th Sunday of Easter)

1st READING: ACTS 15:1-2, 22-29.

2nd READING: APOC 21:10-14, 22-23.

PSALM: 66:2-3, 5-6, 8.

GOSPEL: JN 14: 23-29.

THE REGINA CAELI

Throughout the year we pray the Angelus, however during the Easter Season we pray the Regina Caeli daily at 12 & 6 pm.

The Regina Caeli (Queen of Heaven ) in English

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.

R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

QUEEN OF THE MAY

Bring flow'rs of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest,  
From garden and woodland and hillside and dale;  
Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling  
The praise of the loveliest flow'r of the vale.  
O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the angels and Queen of the May.  
Their lady they name thee, their mistress proclaim thee.  
O grant that thy children on earth be as true,  
As long as the bowers are radiant with flowers,  
As long as the azure shall keep its bright hue.  
O Mary, we crown thee...

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY 11:00AM MASS — PLEASE SING ALONG

Entrance *Alleluia, sing to Jesus*  
Offertory *Now the green blade rises*  
Sanctus / Agnus Dei *Missa Salve Regina* (C. Rossini)  
Communion *Surrexit Christus hodie* (E. Poston / J. O'Keeffe)  
Recessional *Regina Caeli* (R. McDonagh)

Entrance:

1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, his the sceptre, his the throne;  
Alleluia, his the triumph, his the victory alone.  
Hark, the songs of mighty Sion thunder like a mighty flood:  
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation hath redeemed us by his blood".

2. Alleluia! King eternal, you the Lord of lords we own;  
Alleluia, born of Mary, earth your footstool, heav'n your throne:  
You within the veil have entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest  
You on earth both priest and victim in the eucharistic feast.

CATECHIST DAVID WELLS, AT KNOCK SHRINE


International speaker & catechist David Wells at Knock Shrine.  
Friday 23rd May: CAN WHAT MATTERS TO US MATTER TO OUR CHILDREN. An evening for parents. 7.30 - 9pm. Free admission. Limited places available. Takes place in the Prayer Centre. Booking required. Email Nicola: [faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie](mailto:faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie) Phone 094 93 88100. Online bookings: [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie).

ALL-IRELAND ROSARY RALLY SAT. JUNE 7TH AT KNOCK

Over 10,000 pilgrims are expected at the 40th All-Ireland Rosary Rally Saturday, June 7th at Knock Shrine. Events begin at 9:30am with a Marian Conference & conclude with a Pentecost Vigil & Healing Service from 8–10pm. Highlights include a Rosary making workshop, a 250-person Rosary formation for filming. Keynote at 1pm by Msgr. Steve Rossetti, USA. Rosary Procession led by children follows the Stations of the Cross at 2:30pm, with Holy Mass at 3pm celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown. Music by Dana. A youth conference runs 6–7:30pm. Rosary Rally ends with a Croagh Patrick climb & Mass on Sunday at noon. Full schedule & bus info: [www.allirelandrosaryrally.com](http://www.allirelandrosaryrally.com).

SACRED HEART NOVENA WEEKEND ST. MARY'S ATHENRY

FRIDAY 6TH — SUNDAY 8TH JUNE 2025



We have a very special series of events taking place in Athenry Parish. As part of the 2025 Jubilee year of celebration in the Catholic Church, our dearly departed Pope Francis (RIP) blessed four statues of The Sacred Heart in Rome.

One of those four statues will be coming to our Parish in Athenry on 6th June for the weekend. On Friday evening 6th June in Athenry church, we will have a special Mass at 7:00p.m. followed by Adoration. At this Mass, the Sacred Heart will be venerated, & our Parish & families consecrated to The Sacred Heart where each household will be presented with a signed and blessed picture of The Sacred Heart.

The relics of St. Mary Margaret Alacoque and St. Claude La Colombière will also be present over the weekend. St. Margaret Mary was the Saint to whom Christ chose to reveal His Sacred Heart and image, and the related devotions and promises stemming from it, and St. Claude was the priest confessor to St Margaret Mary.

Please keep the weekend of 6th June in your diary as a special weekend in the parish. We will provide further information about the schedule of events through the parish bulletin, website, and on the notice boards in the coming weeks

EXAM PRAYER SERVICE

Takes place Tuesday June 3rd at 9pm 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 & relaxing atmosphere to relax & pray, but also to meet each other for a short time. It's an opportunity to get away from books & screens & connect with friends & classmates, hopefully allowing a deeper sense of calm & an atmosphere of support.

GALWAY SIMON COMMUNITY CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Takes place 17th & 18th of May. Funds raised through this collection enable them to support families & individuals in Galway, Mayo & Roscommon facing homelessness.

ATHENRY AGRICULTURAL SHOW

Every blessing to all involved in the Athenry Agricultural Show which takes place Sunday 25th May in Teagasc Mellows Campus, Athenry. Here's praying for a great day for all!!!

ATHENRY CONCERT FOR IRISH KIDNEY ASSOCIATION

Songs of gratitude in aid of the Irish Kidney Association. The concert features Lizzy Harrison, The Soul Sisters, & the Athenry Peace Choir. Date - Sunday, May 25th 7pm in Athenry Community Hall. Admission is Free (Donations welcome). You are all cordially invited. Spread the word & support this worthy cause. Refreshments will be served.

GALWAY HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Galway Hospice needs volunteers for its Sunflower Days Collections Fri. 6th & Sat. 7th June. If you can spare 1 — 2 hours either day, please contact Galway Hospice Fundraising 087-1933032, 091-770868, [fundraising@galwayhospice.ie](mailto:fundraising@galwayhospice.ie)

ANAM CARA ONLINE BEREAVEMENT COURSE

Anam Cara — supporting parents after bereavement, are hosting an Online Bereavement Information Evening on Thursday 22nd May at 7:00pm. For further information contact 01 4045378 or visit [www.anamcara.ie](http://www.anamcara.ie)

FREE BEREAVEMENT COURSE KNOCK SHRINE

This course continues in St John's Rest & Care Centre, Knock on four Thursdays (22nd & 29th May remaining), 8-9.30pm. For more info. / to book, contact: Monica 094-9375320.