

21ST SEPTEMBER 2025

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

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Bank: AIB, Athenry; Account Name: St. Mary's Parish Athenry IBAN:IE59 AIBK 9370 1013 1670 45; BIC:AIBKIE2D

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TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE

Office Eircode: H65 H224



✠ MASS TIMES ✠

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH — VIGIL MASS AT 6:30PM

Michael Maunsell, Coldwood, (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21ST — MASS AT 11:00AM

Maurice Ruane, Ennis & Athenry, (Month's Mind)

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH — VIGIL MASS AT 6:30PM

Sr. Teresa Murphy, (Month's Mind)

Presentation Convent, Galway & ex Newcastle, Athenry

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH — MASS AT 11:00AM

Michael Waldron, Newford, (Month's Mind)

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NEWCASTLE

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21ST — MASS AT 10:00AM

Peggy Keane, Tiaquin

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH — MASS AT 10:00AM

Francis, Joe & Mary Tuohy, Bengarra

✠ RECENTLY DECEASED — REST IN PEACE ✠

Richard Finn, Cashla

Bernadette (Bernie) Kelly, Dublin & formerly Lisheenkyle

Margo Cassidy nee Devally, sister of


Vincent Devally, New Line & Kevin Devally, Colemanstown

COLLECTION — 13TH & 14TH SEPTEMBER


ATHENRY & NEWCASTLE €3,610

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Bible Study Group continues on Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the room beside the Parish Office. The 18 — 35 age group is especially encouraged to attend but everyone of all ages are welcome.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY WEEKLY DURING SUN 11AM MASS

 We look forward to seeing children in Junior / Senior Infants & 1st Class for the Children's Liturgy. We thank our volunteers for their time & dedication. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Eithna: eithnamoran@gmail.com; or Deirdre 0870984379.

LEGION OF MARY ATHENRY

The Legion of Mary, has over 3 million active members worldwide. It is hoped to start an Athenry branch this Jubilee year, in communication with Fr. Charlie. Through its work & prayer, it can bring great blessings & graces to our parish & members. For more info: Contact: Richard 0861967717 or Marian 0876244101 or visit www.legionofmary.com.

READINGS: 27TH & 28TH SEPT. — 26TH SUN. ORD. TIME

1st READ: Am 6:1, 4-7 PSALM: 145:6-10

2nd READ: 1 Tm 6:11-16 GOSPEL: Lk 16:19-31

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS: 10:00AM — 22ND - 27TH SEPT.

✠ Christina, Eamon & Myra Whelan, Ballygurrane

✠ Nora & Thomas Gill, Mountain North

✠ Jackie, Bridie, Seán, Mike, Della, Noreen & Paul Hession, The Square

✠ Martin Somers, Newford & his sister Sr. Kieran (Jane) Somers

✠ Julia & Martin Caulfield, Moorpark

✠ Mary Conway, Claremorris

✠ Maud & Michael Tully, Slieveroe

✠ Paddy & Mary Hardiman, Gurteen

✠ Christy, Nan, Paul, Jim & Keyna Barrett

✠ Mick Scully, Kingsland

✠ Jim Ruane & deceased of the Healy & Ruane families

✠ Eddie & Rhoda Somers, Northgate Street

✠ Teresa (Doreen) Bane, her husband John & their sons William & Tommie, Newford

✠ Patrick Brennan, North Gate St.

✠ John, Kay, Peter, Anne & John (Junior) Hession, Mirah, Turloughmore

✠ Gerry McNamara, Ballydavid

✠ Nora Kelly, Coldwood & Park

2026 CONFIRMATION & COMMUNION DATES

CONFIRMATION

There will be 2 ceremonies on **Saturday 25th April**. Both will take place in Athenry Church as follows:

12:00 Gaelscoil Riada, Lisheenkyle & Newcastle

2:30 Athenry Primary School, Carnaun & Coldwood

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The dates for the various national schools are as follows.

Saturday 9th May

12:30 Carnaun & Coldwood (Athenry Church)

2:30 Lisheenkyle (Athenry Church)

Saturday 16th May


2:30 Athenry Primary School (Athenry Church)

Saturday 23rd May

12:30 Gael Scoil Riada (Athenry Church)

2:30 Newcastle (Newcastle Church)

MARY'S MEALS CHURCH GATE COLLECTION THIS WKEND

 On Sat. 20th/Sun. 21st Sept. at all Masses in Athenry & Newcastle. Mary's Meals is a simple solution to world hunger, offering school feeding programmes to children in 16 of the world's poorest countries, school + food = hope. It costs €22 to feed a child for an entire school year. More info: marysmeals.ie.

ATHENRY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS 2023 — 2027

Maria Byrne Mary Gannon Eithne Moran

Patricia O'Farrell Deirdre Rabbitte Bernie Ryan

Eimear Seery Declan Tuffy


Ex-Officio:

Rev. Julian Drapiewski Mike Dunne

Fr. Charlie McDonnell Fr. Benny McHale

The Parish Pastoral Council resumed it's meetings this week following the summer break. The Council has now completed two years of it's four-year term. A short review took place of progress in this time. Overall members felt that significant progress has been achieved. But there still remains much scope for further progress. The importance of our parish community, the importance of members of this community feeling part of it, & new members being welcomed was mentioned. Reports were given on Pastoral events over the summer & the safeguarding report mentioned. Training is now underway for priests in relation to adult safety. This took place during the week. The possibility of a Lenten Mission was discussed & the Council are happy to proceed with this. So, we are now looking into a Parish Mission over three to four days over the season of Lent. The next Pastoral Council Meeting will be on Monday 20th October.

PADRE PIO PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK, (THIS SUNDAY 21ST)

 Takes place this Sunday 21st Sept. A bus will leave the Arch Car Park at 10.30am sharp. Contact: Assumpta: 0872706061 or Vincent: 0872939367.

CHY 3 — CHARITABLE DONATION SCHEME

First & foremost we wish to thank you all for your generous support to the Parish which is deeply & genuinely appreciated.

The CHY 3 Tax Contribution Scheme, (Charitable Donation Scheme), is a tax relief programme. It allows us to claim a tax refund on donations received from our parishioners who are taxpayers. It is an important source of revenue to the Church. Please note that this scheme costs you nothing. It applies to individual donations of €250+ in a single tax year through the envelope system or bank donations. We are sending CHY3 forms to parishioners who contributed €250 & more, in 2024 & who we don't have an up-to-date CHY3 Form for. A signed form is valid for 5 years. If you receive one & are:

1) Paying tax — please sign it & return it to us

2) Not paying tax — please complete the box on the accompanying letter & return it to us

You can return them to church basket at Mass or to Parish Office.

♪ ♪ HYMNS AT 11:00AM SUNDAY MASS ♪ ♪

Entrance: Praise the Lord the Almighty

Offertory: Jesu, Rex Admirabilis (Palestrina)

Sanctus / Agnus Dei Mass XVIII


Communion: Ubi Caritas / God is Love

Recessional: **O Mary Of Graces**


1. **O Mary of Graces**, and mother of Christ, O may you direct me and guide me aright. O may you protect me from Satan's control, And may you protect me in body and soul.

2. O may you protect me by land and by sea, And may you protect me from sorrows to be; A strong guard of angels above me provide; May God be before me and God at my side.

A Mhuire na ngrás, a Mháthair Mhic Dé, go gcuire tú ar mo leas mé. Go sabhála tú mé ar gach uile olc, go sabhála tú mé idir anam is chorp. Go sabhála tú mé ar muir is ar tír, Go sabhála tú mé ar lic na bpian. Gárda na n-aingeal os mo chionn, Dia romham agus Dia liom.



PRIESTS' AUTUMN COLLECTION

 The Autumn Collection for the priests of the Parish will be taken up at all Masses next weekend **SATURDAY 27TH & SUNDAY 28TH OF SEPTEMBER**.

This is one of the 4 collections in the year that goes towards the salaries of the priests. Again we are deeply grateful for your generosity & support towards the priests of the Parish throughout the year. You can also transfer your contribution electronically through the following account:

IBAN: IE33 AIBK 9370 1000 1550 60 BIC: AIBKIE2D

ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES

Archbishop Francis will celebrate the Annual Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries Mass in Tuam Cathedral on Sunday, October 12th 2025, at 3.00 pm. Couples celebrating a significant marriage anniversary in 2025 are invited to attend this celebration. Mass will begin at 3.00pm. Refreshments will be served afterwards in St. Jarlath's College. If you plan to attend, please send names & the number of family members attending to info@tuamparish.com or 093 24250 by Oct. 8th.

MEN OF ST JOSEPH GROUP

Men of St Joseph is a new monthly meeting for men in the Archdiocese of Tuam which will have at its core, Faith, Formation, & Fraternity. The group will meet one Sunday a month at 7pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in Tuam for prayer, talks, followed by social time. This will be an opportunity to grow deeper into your faith & build support & brotherhood with other Christian men. For further information please contact Fr. Mark on 093 24250 or frmarkquinn@tuamparish.com

TEAMPALL GEAL CEMETERY BOOKLET

A new booklet on Teampall Geall Cemetery, Moyvilla, is available. The history of those buried there was researched by Dáire Enright, headstones surveyed by Donal & Della Jennings & Eamonn Gilligan. This living memento preserves this local history & is available at Derrydonnell Filling Station for €15.

CANCER-RELATED LYMPHOEDEMA TALK — FREE

By Elaine Grehan registered MLD Therapist. Tues. October 7th at 7 p.m., Ard Rí Hotel, Tuam. Booking is essential as places are limited: contact Tuam Cancer Care 09328522.

GALWAY HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING (NEXT TUES).

