23RD NOVEMBER 2025

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE

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★ MASS TIMES **★**

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SATURDAY NOVEMBER 22ND — VIGIL MASS AT 6.30PM Margaret Cotter, Attymon & ex Cullairbaun, (Month's Mind)

Grow in Love — First Holy Communion Mass

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23RD — MASS AT 11:00AM Baby Michael Fitzmaurice, The Glade, (Month's Mind)

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 29TH — VIGIL MASS AT 6.30PM Kieran Glynn, Caheroyan, & Ballinacurra, Cork (Month's Mind)

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 30TH — MASS AT 11:00AM

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SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23RD — MASS AT 10:00AM

Mattie Feeney, Knockbrack, (1st Anniversary) Grow in Love — First Holy Communion Mass (Newcastle NS)

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 29TH — MASS AT 11:30AM Remembrance Mass

Tom Kelly, Ballyboggan (died 1975)

His daughter Anne Glynn nee Kelly, (died 2025) Boston & formerly Ballyboggan.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 30TH — MASS AT 10:00AM Kate & Morgan Morris, Tysaxon

BASKET COLLECTION. 22ND & 23RD NOVEMBER ATHENRY & NEWCASTLE €3,045

RECENTLY DECEASED **Agnes Ryan**, Attymon,

mother of Louise Ryan, Montpelier

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

Saturday 6:00pm — 7:00pm (note time change) 1. Hail, Redeemer, King Divine.

NEWCASTLE Monday 6:00pm — 9:00pm

A NOTE RE ELECTRIC HEATERS IN THE ADORATION CHAPEL

We do our best to keep the Adoration Chapel warm & Prince of everlasting peace! comfortable for everyone who comes to pray. As electric Chorus: Angels, saints and nations sing heaters are costly to run, we ask all adorers to help save energy | "Praise be Jesus Christ, our King; & care for the environment by switching off heaters if you are Lord of life, earth, sky and sea; the last to leave / if no one else is present. This helps us King of love on Calvary." maintain a welcoming chapel while using resources mindfully.

READINGS: 29TH & 30TH NOVEMBER (1ST SUN. IN ADVENT) **PSALM**: 121:1-2, 4-5, 6-9

1st **READ**: Is 2:1-5 **2nd READ**: RM 13:11-14 **GOSPEL**: MT 24:37-443

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS 10:00am. 24th — 29th Nov.

- ₱ Martin Forde. Moyvilla & the deceased of the Forde, Kelly & Shaughnessy families
- ★ Morgan Morris, Tysaxon
- ₱ Johnny (Marcus) & Helen Farrell Caheroyan & Turloughlanger
- **♣** Eoin Hosty, Renmore
- ₱ Maurice, Paddy & Dolly Walsh, Graigabbey
- ₱ P.J. Greensmith, Gort na Rí
- **★** Gladys & Hayden Griffiths, Wales
- ♣ Brendan Burke, Mellow's College
- **▼** John Joe & Gertrude Cahill, Derrydonnell & their daughter Úna Carroll & deceased of the Cahill & Keane families
- ₩ Mickey & Bridie Kindregan, Cahertubber & son Michael John
- ₱ Mary & Christy McNamara & their sons Christy Jnr. & P.J.
- ₱ Gerry Kilkelly, his parents Mary & Martin, his daughter Elizabeth & deceased of the Kilkelly family
- ₱ Margaret Kennedy, Caheroyan Drive
- ♣ Annie, John & Liam Burke & Mick Smyth, Clonkeeen
- ↑ The Milman family, Barrack St.,
- ₱ Mary & Michael John Langan, Craughwell
- ₱ Jimmy & Phil Dempsey, Currantarmid & deceased of the Dempsey & Furey families
- ₩ Monica & Michael Steede & deceased family members
- ₩ William Bane, his parents Teresa (Doreen) & John, & brother Tommie, Newford
- ₱ Hubert & Helen Kavanagh, New Line
- ♣ Bridie Finn, Bridge St. & Cullairbawn

HYMNS AT 11:00AM SUNDAY MASS

Entrance: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King. Jesu Rex Admirabilis, Offertory:

(1) Christus Vincit. (2) The King of Love **Communion:**

Hail Redeemer King Divine. Recessional:

Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine; King whose reign shall never cease.

2. King, whose name creation thrills, Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills: Till in peace each nation rings, With thy praises, King of Kings.

REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DECEASED

CHRIST THE KING NOVENA

in Honour of Jesus as True King November 17th - 25th

O Lord our God, You alone are the Most Holy King and Ruler of all nations. We pray to You, Lord, in the great expectation of receiving from You, O Divine King, mercy, peace, justice and all It is important that those who wish for a change in patronage good things. Protect, O Lord our King, our families and the land would have their voices heard. It is equally important that of our birth. Guard us we pray Most Faithful One! Protect us those who are already satisfied with the current patronage from our enemies and from Your Just Judgment. Forgive us, O Sovereign King, our sins against you. Jesus, You are a King of children, including sacramental preparation within school, Mercy. We have deserved Your Just Judgment. Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. We trust in Your Great Mercy. O most awe-inspiring King, we bow before You and pray; May Your Reign, Your Kingdom, be recognised on earth. Amen.

Say the above **Novena Prayer**, followed by one **Our Father**, one **Hail Mary** and one **Glory Be** each day for the **9** days.

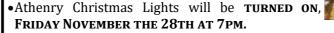
lesus said "I promise that every time you say these novena prayers priests & be less severe in My judgement of your nation."

MOORPARK CEMETERY MEMORIAL SIGN

It is hoped to install a permanent memorial sign listing all our family members who are interred in Moorpark Cemetery, A great starting list has been compiled by some locals, but to ensure it is complete and honours everyone, we need your Fr. Benny will lead a four-night introduction to the Gospel of help. If you have any knowledge of family, neighbours or others buried there, please send the information to Lester McNamara Email lester@raheenwoodshotel.ie; or Tel: 091-875200.

ATHENRY TOWN LIGHTS

Thanks to everyone who kindly supported our fundraising for the Christmas Lights to date.



 Athenry Christmas Craft Fair takes place Saturday Novembe the 29th in Athenry Community Hall 10am — 4pm.

UNION OF VOICES 2025 — CAROLS FOR CHRISTMAS

Athenry Music School is thrilled to present it's Union of Voices Community Carols for Christmas. It will be held at 3pm on Sunday 7th December Orchestras & Choirs will perform live in Athenr Church. All welcome to this free, family-friendly celebration.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy (during Sun. 11am Mass) continues for children entering Junior/Senior Infants & 1st Class. Thanks to ou volunteers for their time & dedication. Want to volunteer, contact Deirdre 0870984379 or Eithna at eithnamoran@gmail.com.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Takes place Tuesday nights at 7:30pm, in the room beside th Parish Office. This weekly ministry for young & old is fully open to everyone. However, we especially encourage those aged 18 - 35.

ST. MARY'S ATHENRY CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUET CARDS





Christmas Mass Bouquets are now available in the Parish Office. They are signed by Fr. Charlie / Fr. Benny.

If you are posting overseas for Christmas, note final December posting dates below:

Britain & Europe: 8th; USA: 10th; Rest of World: 4th.

REMINDER REGARDING ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

The deadline for submitting notices and weekly intentions for the newsletter is Thursdays at 11:30am. As newsletter design is completed on Thursday afternoons, late submissions cannot be guaranteed. Kindly note that Church & Diocesan notices receive priority. Thank you for your understanding.

A MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS: "Have Your Say ON THE FUTURE OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN YOUR SCHOOL"

The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary schools will determine what schools will divest.

model and who wish for a Catholic Education for their would have their voices heard also.

For these reasons, and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, you are invited to participate in this survey if you are a parent, guardian or a prospective parent of a primary school student. Decisions on what schools will retain or lose their Catholic patronage will be influenced by the expressed opinions of those who participate in this survey. Therefore, I will convert ten sinners, bring ten souls into the one true faith. Your opinion and the values you hold dear are important, and release ten souls from purgatory many of whom are the souls of your voice needs to be heard about your local school. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey.

> The closing date is 16th December 2025. The survey may be accessed at www.gov.ie/primaryschoolsurvey.

Archbishop Francis Duffy, Patron 18th November 2025

ST. MATTHEW'S GOSPEL — FR. BENNY: KNOCK SHRINE

St. Matthew on Tuesday evenings - Nov 25, Dec 2, 9 & 16, from 7:30–9:30pm in the Prayer Centre, Knock Shrine. No previous knowledge needed - just bring a Bible (copies available if required). Booking recommended as places are limited. Contact Nicola 094 9388100. at faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie.

FR. BENNY'S ADVENT SCRIPTURE COURSE — ATHENRY

Would you like to know a little more about the Scriptures that are read at Mass? For the coming year, the Gospels will be taken from St. Matthew's account. For the Monday nights of Advent: December 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd, Fr. Benny will present a short introductory course on this Gospel. This will take place in the Parish Centre Athenry from 8:00pm -9:30pm each Monday evening. All are welcome, and no previous knowledge is required. Please bring along your copy of the bible, and if you do not have your own copy, one will be provided on the night. This course will be of special interest to readers and those who have been on pilgrimage to the Holy Land, and those who want to know more about Lectio Divina.

COLDWOOD NATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Coldwood N.S. is now accepting applications for Junior Infants for the 2026/2027 school year. Closing date is December 1st, 2025. 12 places are available. Application Forms available at www.coldwoodns.scoilnet.ie or on request by emailing admin@coldwood.ie or by writing to: Coldwood N.S., Craughwell, Co Galway H91 KN52.

LISHEENKYLE NATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Lisheenkyle N.S. is now accepting enrolments for September 2026. All details & enrolment forms are available on the website www.lisheenkylens.ie or alternatively by contacting the school at 091 844901 or emailing admin@lisheenkylens.ie.

FREE BUS TO FOOD & CRAFT GIFT FAIR, GALWAY

Local Food & Craft Gift Fair. Black Box Theatre. Galway. Thurs., Nov. 27 — Tues., Dec. 2. Free, bus service, collecting at Northgate St. Car Park & returning from Black Box. Booking essential. Contact: 091-509090 or localenterprise.ie/Galway.

Date Departs Athenry Departs Black Box Friday Nov. 28th 8:50am 12:00 noon Monday Dec. 1st 9:20am 12:30pm