

11TH JANUARY 2026

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

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PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEK: Fr. Charlie McDonnell P.P. **Mobile:** 086-8193884

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MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

SATURDAY JANUARY 10TH, 2026 — VIGIL MASS AT 6.30PM

SUNDAY JANUARY 11TH, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM

Sarah Glavin, Carnaun (1st Anniversary).

SATURDAY JANUARY 17TH, 2026 — VIGIL MASS AT 6.30PM

Noel Madden, Caheroyan (Month's Mind).

Confirmation Enrolment Mass.

SUNDAY JANUARY 18TH, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM

Joe Glynn, Caheroyan & Tuam (Month's Mind).

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NEWCASTLE

SUNDAY JANUARY 11TH, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM

Kevin Smith, Knockbrack.

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Lucy O'Shea-Daly, Mountain South.

Confirmation Enrolment Mass.

BASKET COLLECTION ATHENRY & NEWCASTLE

3RD & 4TH JAN., €3,250 5TH, & 6TH JAN. €1,765

RECENTLY DECEASED—REST IN PEACE

Nellie Keane, Toberroe

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 6:00pm — 7:00pm (note time change)

Monday 6:00pm — 9:00pm

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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RECEIVE A PATRON SAINT FOR 2026

As we enter a new year amid challenging times, many of us seek spiritual support, hope, & meaning in our daily lives. Receive a Patron Saint for 2026 is a New Year initiative inviting everyone to experience the comfort & strength of the Communion of Saints. At Sunday Mass on 25th January, you are invited to take part in a simple yet meaningful draw. From a box containing 300 names of patron saints, you will select one name at random. The saint you draw will become your Patron Saint for 2026 — a spiritual companion to guide & intercede for you throughout the year. You are encouraged to get to know your Patron Saint: learn their story, reflect on their life, & pray through their intercession. Through this relationship, may you discover that you are not alone in your struggles & that heavenly assistance is always near. It's not too late to receive a little help from above. All warmly welcome to participate.

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETINGS — JANUARY

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Monday January 19th at 8:00pm in the Pastoral Centre.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday January 26th at 8:00pm in the Pastoral Centre.

CONGRATS TO ATHENRY CAMOGIE CLUB

Heartiest congratulations to all players, management & back-room team of the Athenry Senior Camogie Squad on a magnificent All-Ireland Senior Camogie Final victory. You have done the parish proud. Your commitment, resilience, togetherness, spirit & belief were evident throughout. This hard-earned triumph will be remembered with pride for many years to come. Comhghairdeas ó chroí libh go léir on a truly deserved title. Beir bua agus beannacht.

GRÁSTA MARRIAGE RELATED COURSES 2026

Grásta, the voluntary Irish group of Married Couples, has facilitated Catholic Pre-Marriage Courses for over 25 years (formerly at Esker Monastery; highly recommended by Fr. Charlie). For more information & details visit www.grasta.org or email info@grasta.org. Weekend residential courses below:

Pre-Marriage: 6th — 8th March 2026

13th — 15th November 2026

Married Couples: 7th — 8th March 2026,
14th — 15th November 2026

MEN OF ST JOSEPH (MOSJ) MEETING 11TH JANUARY

The Tuam Archdiocese MOSJ monthly meeting takes place Sunday 11 Jan. at 7pm sharp in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Tuam (H54 T656). This month's guest speaker is Prof. Robert McNamara, lecturer & philosopher, who will speak on men's role in the family & the Theology of the Body. MOSJ promotes faith, formation & fraternity among Christian men. New members welcome. Enq: frmarkquinn@tuamparish.com.

ATHENRY PARISH LENTEN MISSION

KEEPING HOPE ALIVE

Learning to journey through life brimming with hope

February 23rd-25th

3 Nights - 7:00 PM - 9.30PM

Mass, Talks, Confessions, Adoration, Music, Anointing of the Sick, Healing, Refreshments

*Church of the Assumption Athenry
Church St. Athenry, Co. Galway, H65 PV47

Monday Feb 23rd
6.00pm - 6.45pm - Confessions
7.00pm - Mass (Fr. Benny McHale)
8.00pm - Speaker (Michelle Ward)
8.30pm - Adoration, Music & Confessions

Tuesday Feb 24th
6.00pm - 6.45pm - Confessions
7.00pm - Mass (Fr. Conor McDonagh)
8.00pm - Anointing of the Sick
8.30pm - Adoration, Music & Confessions

Wednesday Feb 25th
7.00pm - Speaker (Mary McDonagh)
7.20pm - Mass (Fr. Charlie McDonnell)
8.00pm - Speaker (Niall McDonagh)
8.20pm - Eucharistic Healing service
9.00pm - Tea & Refreshments

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HYMNS FOR 11:00AM SUNDAY MASS ATHENRY

Entrance: Soul of My Saviour

Offertory: Alma Redemtoris Mater

Communion: O Little Town Of Bethlehem

Recessional: Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Soul of My Saviour sanctify my breast,

Body of Christ, be Thou my saving guest,

Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in Thy tide,

Wash me with waters gushing from thy side.

Strength and protection may Thy passion be,

O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;

Deep in Thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,