

31ST MAY 2026

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE

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✠ MASS TIMES ✠

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

SATURDAY MAY 30TH, 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM

Damien Butler, Castle Ellen, (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY MAY 31ST, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM

Thomas (Tommy) Cheevers, Caheroyan, (Month's Mind)

SATURDAY JUNE 6TH, 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM

Michael Moylan, Cullairbaun & Ardrahan, (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY JUNE 7TH, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM

Monica Quadri, Cross St. & Italy (1st Anniversary)

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SUNDAY MAY 31ST, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM

Sinéad Morris, Joey Geary & the deceased of the Morris & Fahy families

SUNDAY JUNE 7TH, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM

Celia Redmond, Tysaxon

RECENTLY DECEASED — MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Anne Joyce Rathgorgan

Anne Rooney, Leitrim, sister of Mary Doherty, Caheroyan.

BASKET COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND

ATHENRY & NEWCASTLE €3,450.00

FIRST FRIDAY CALLS — FRIDAY JUNE 5TH

Both Fr. Charlie & Fr. Benny's visits are on Friday 5th June.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK — JUNE

Takes place Saturday, June 6th after 10:00 am Mass.

Recommended no more than once per month, unless needed, & should ideally be accompanied by Confession for full effect.

WEEKLY CONFESSION TIMES

ATHENRY: Saturdays before 10:00am Mass, or by appt.

NEWCASTLE: After 10.00am Mass on Sundays.

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 (time change)  
Monday 6:00pm — 9:00pm

VERY LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

At all Masses, the main celebrant will have low gluten hosts available for anyone who is coeliac or has gluten intolerances.

READINGS: 7TH JUNE — CORPUS CHRISTI

1st READ: DEUT 8:2-3; 14-16 PSALM: 147:12-15, 19-20  
2nd READ: 1 COR 10:16-17; GOSPEL: JN 6:51-58

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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WEEKLY INTENTIONS 10:00AM MON. 1ST — SAT. 6TH JUNE

- ✠ Sabina Rabbittie, Castle Ellen
- ✠ Katie Morris, Tysaxon
- ✠ Bill Fallon, Farnablake East
- ✠ The Hession family, The Square: Detta (& Vincent), Seán (& Marian), Mike (& Anne) Noírnín & baby Paul
- ✠ Martin Ward & his wife Ellen & their son Lawrence Ward & deceased of the family, Castleblakeney
- ✠ Peggie O'Sullivan, Carnaun
- ✠ Michael & Nora O'Connor Carnmore & Sally O'Connor Galway
- ✠ Rozalia Kindratyn & her son Roman Kindratyshyn
- ✠ Ann Devally, New Line & the Heavey & Devally families
- ✠ Sinéad Morris & deceased of the Morris & Fahy families
- ✠ Mary Melia, Old Church St. & deceased of the O'Shea family
- ✠ Martin Feeney, Mountain North
- ✠ Peter O'Driscoll, Carraig na bhFéar, Cork

MOST HOLY TRINITY

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity celebrates the central mystery of the Christian faith: one God in three Persons — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Father creates us, the Son saves us, and the Holy Spirit guides and strengthens us.

♪ HYMNS 11:00AM SUNDAY MASS ATHENRY ♪

Entrance: Sing Praise to Our Creator  
Offertory: Holy God we Praise thy Name  
Communion: O God beyond all Praising  
Recessional: Queen of the May

1. Sing Praise to Our Creator / O sons of Adam's race, God's children by adoption, / Baptised into his grace. Praise the Holy Trinity, Undivided unity, Holy God, mighty God, God immortal, be adored.
2. To Jesus Christ give glory, / God's co-eternal Son: As members of his body / We live in him as one. Praise the Holy Trinity (&c.)

QUEEN OF THE MAY

Bring flowers 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 flower of the vale!  
*O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today!*  
*Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.*  
*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, Ah, 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.



MAY PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Pastoral Council met this week. Communion & Confirmation ceremonies were discussed. Everybody was very positive about them, thanking everybody who was involved. We are looking earnestly at bringing the Confirmation back to Newcastle. However, it looks as though, again this year, unfortunately, it will not be practically possible, due to numbers. There are currently 2 ceremonies & it will be difficult to ask the Diocese to hold a third, which would be needed if Newcastle was used. We will keep this under review. Church finances were presented to meeting We are very grateful, again, for the positive way in which these are moving. The Corpus Christi Procession was discussed. The large number of people who attended the preparation meeting for Corpus Christi was commented upon very favourably. A night for all involved in Parish Ministry will take place on Nov. 9, facilitated by Niamh Morris, Diocesan Resource Person. It was decided to take a break for the Summer, & the next Pastoral Council Meeting will be in September.

EXAM PRAYER SERVICE

TUESDAY JUNE 2ND AT 9:00PM IN ATHENRY CHURCH  
We invite young people sitting State examinations to join us for a prayer service on the evening before their exams. Held later to allow time for study, it offers students calm & supportive space to relax, pray, unwind & connect with friends & classmates away from books & screens. We hope it provides a deeper sense of peace & encouragement before exams begin.

**EXAM PRAYER SERVICE**

DATE: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
TIME: 9:00pm - 9.20pm  
LOCATION: Church of the Assumption Athenry

For more info call: 091 844076

**EVERYBODY IS WELCOME**

A PRAYER SERVICE FOR ALL JUNIOR AND LEAVING CERT EXAM STUDENTS.

GATHER TOGETHER FOR GOD'S BLESSING FOR YOUR EXAMS.

- Light a candle
- Reflection
- Pray together

A LIMITED NUMBER OF EXAM CANDLES MAY BE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE IN THE DAYS AFTER THE EXAM PRAYER SERVICE.

ST. MARY'S ATHENRY EXAM MASS BOUQUETS



Signed by Fr. Charlie / Fr. Benny. Available in the Parish Office, This is a thoughtful way to offer a Mass & prayers, of encouragement & support to students sitting exams.

TRÓCAIRE LENTEN APPEAL 2026

A heartfelt genuine thanks all who contributed to the parish Trócaire total of €10,739.00. This was forwarded to Trócaire this week. The annual Trócaire collection remains one of the great traditions of Lent in Ireland, reminding us of our Christian call to care for those in need.  
MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROSITY & KINDNESS

Church of The Assumption Athenry

We will begin the procession outside the Church making our way to the Square for Benediction before returning to the Church via Cross Street, Clarke St. & Old Church St.

SUNDAY JUNE 7th  
Starts outside after 11am Mass

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION**

Children who made their 1st Communion are welcome to wear their 1st Communion clothes and process up front with their parents, the priest and Jesus in the Eucharist. We invite & encourage you to keep this tradition alive.

For any more info, please call 091-844076

OUR LADY'S WELL

The Parish are deeply proud of Our Lady's Well, which is run on behalf of the parish by the Lady's Well Committee. We are deeply grateful to the committee for the Trojan work they do throughout the year, not just in maintaining The Well, but in guarding, keeping and looking after it. We are equally grateful to our great neighbours around The Well for all of the support that they show. Our Lady's Well is a facility for parishioners and those from beyond to come to pray, to spend time in prayer and reflection and indeed to pray at The Well and at Our Lady's Grotto. The Well Committee welcome prayer groups from other places that come; however, it is important that these groups register first with the Parish Office and seek permission to do so for insurance purposes. We also ask those who visit the well to be vigilant at all times and, if there is anything that ever concerns you, to please make it known immediately to the Committee or to the Parish in confidence.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is looking to establish an Athenry branch. Our next meeting will take place at the Pastoral Centre, Wednesday 3rd June at 7.00pm. New members are more than welcome to attend. More info visit: [www.legionofmary.com](http://www.legionofmary.com) or contact Margaret on 0872204772.

KNOCK SHRINE EVENTS ([www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie))

Monthly Mini Vigil: Friday, June 5th. Confessions in Chapel of Reconciliation 8—9pm. Vigil in Parish Church 9pm—Midnight.  
Open Morning Saturday, June 13th, 10.30am—1pm. at the new Retreat Village at Knock Shrine.  
Latin Mass: Sunday June 14, 6pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

SOILSE DISCO FRIDAY JUNE 5TH

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FIRST FRIDAYS SEPT - JUNE 8-10PM

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For people with additional needs