

3RD MAY 2026

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

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

Bank Details for Weekly Church Offerings: (Please include your name and/or envelope number if you have one)
Bank: AIB, Athenry; Account Name: St. Mary's Parish Athenry IBAN:IE59 AIBK 9370 1013 1670 45; BIC:AIBKIE2D



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER.

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE

Office Eircode: H65 H224

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✠ MASS TIMES ✠

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

SATURDAY MAY 2ND, 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM
Tony Coffey, Caheroyan, (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY MAY 3RD, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM
Christy O'Dowd, Gort Mhaolir, (1st Anniversary)

SATURDAY MAY 9TH, 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM
Liam Burke, Clarin Crescent, (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY MAY 10TH, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM
John Walls, Athenry & Boston, (1st Anniversary)

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NEWCASTLE

SUNDAY MAY 3RD, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM
Larry & Tessie Kennedy, Gloves, their son Tom, daughter Marian Fahy & deceased of the Kennedy family

SUNDAY MAY 10TH, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM
Daniel & Mary Ann Carr, Jack & Chris Carr, & deceased of the Carr & Mannion families

RECENTLY DECEASED

Julianne Morrissey, Coshla
Fr. Martin McNamara, former Parish Priest, Kiltullagh, Kilimordaly & Clooncagh
Kieran Hann, brother of Eamonn Hann, Shudane

VERY LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

The main celebrant in Athenry church has low gluten hosts available for anyone who is coeliac or has gluten intolerances. If there is anyone in Newcastle church who wishes to avail of this please let the priest or the sacristan know.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK — MAY

Takes place SATURDAY MAY 9TH AFTER 10:00AM MASS.
It is recommended that this Sacrament be received no more than once per month unless it is genuinely needed. For the Sacrament to be effective it should really be accompanied by the Sacrament of Confession.

WEEKLY CONFESSION TIMES

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY
Saturdays 9.15am - 9.45am before 10:00am Mass or by appt.
CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE
After 10.00am Mass on Sundays.

BASKET COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND

ATHENRY & NEWCASTLE €3,360

READINGS: 10TH MAY — 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

1st READ: ACTS 8:5-8 PSALM: 65:1-7, 16, 20
2nd READ: 1 Pt 3:15-18 GOSPEL: JN 14:15-21

DAILY INTENTIONS 10:00AM

MONDAY 4TH — SATURDAY 9TH MAY

- ✠ Tessie & Martin Forde, Moyvilla & deceased of the Forde, Kelly & Shaughnessy families
- ✠ Patrick Kennedy, Carnaun & deceased of the Kennedy & Nolan families
- ✠ Martin (Matt) Flaherty, Castleturvin
- ✠ Hubert, Ellen & Johnny Madden, Derrydonnell
- ✠ Madge Finn, Rocklodge
- ✠ Mary Cronnelly, Moanbaun
- ✠ Barry Murphy & deceased of the Murphy & Gannon families
- ✠ Patrick & Sarah Connell, Castlelambert
- ✠ Gerry Keating, Blaine
- ✠ John Shanahan, Prospect
- ✠ Larry & Tessie Kennedy, Gloves, their son Tom, daughter Marian & deceased of the Kennedy family
- ✠ Mattie O'Toole, Blaine & deceased of the O'Toole family
- ✠ Thomas & Delia Rooney, Blaine, their sons Patrick, Martin & Michael & daughter-in-law Breege
- ✠ Colm Fitzgerald, Greenacre
- ✠ Teresa & Michael Cunniffe & deceased of the Cunniffe family
- ✠ Ann & Eamon Madden, Caheroyan Road
- ✠ Willie Melia, Ballydavid
- ✠ Patrick & Katie Conneely, Galway
- ✠ John Conneely, Boston & Michael Conneely London
- ✠ Martin & Delia Ryan, Park & deceased of the Ryan, Carr, Clarke & Murtagh families
- ✠ Tommy & Noreen Ryan, Abbey Row & deceased of the Ryan & Keane families
- ✠ May & Larry Kelly, Abbey Row & deceased of the Kelly, Connaughton & Whelan families

♪ HYMNS 11:00AM SUNDAY MASS ATHENRY ♪

Entrance: **Come, ye Faithful, Raise the Strain**
Offertory: The Joyful Eastertide
Communion: Surexit Christus
Recessional: **Thine be the Glory**

Come, ye Faithful, Raise the Strain of triumphant gladness; God hath brought forth Israel into joy from sadness; loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters, led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

THE REGINA CAELI

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR WE PRAY THE ANGELUS, HOWEVER DURING EASTER SEASON WE PRAY THE REGINA CAELI DAILY AT 12PM & 6PM.

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 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!

Chorus: *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.

Repeat Chorus: *O Mary, we crown thee....*

MARCH AND APRIL BAPTISMS

We welcome our newly baptised into God's family. May the Lord bless them & keep them in his love. LORCAN THOMAS, ELORA ROSE, AVA-ROSE, MARY TERESA, SONNY GERARD, DYLAN BRIAN, AMYA, JUDE, LIAM MARTIN, BOBBY MICHAEL,

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

THANK YOU FROM CARNAUN NS PARENT'S ASSOCIATION

Carnaun N.S. Parents' Association would like to thank the parishioners of Athenry for their generosity during the recent church gate collection.

COLM FITZGERALD MEMORIAL MAY DAY WALK 2026

The walk starts at 11:00am on May 4th, (this Bank Holiday Monday) at Athenry Social Service Centre. It is in aid of Athenry Simanjiro Partnership. Light refreshments afterwards.

GALWAY SIMON CHURCHGATE COLLECTION

Takes place 16th & 17th of May. Volunteers required — please contact Carol Hynes in Galway Simon Community 0868439330.

CAMP VERITAS 2026

The 2026 residential Faith & Fun Camp takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co. Kildare. June 23rd – 28th inc.. This is a one week sleep away pilgrimage experience serving up to 200 young people between the ages of 12 – 17 years & supported by up to 100 volunteers. The recipe is 'play & pray', with a full immersion in the Catholic Faith through sacraments & fun activities. A bus will run from the West with collection points at Westport, Castlebar, Claremorris, Tuam & Athenry. To find out more or to book your place parents should contact Fr. Mark 09324250, frmarkquinn@tuamparish.com or for further details visit www.campveritasireland.org.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Parish Pastoral Council meeting took place this week. There was a review of what has already happened in the parish since the last meeting. Easter Ceremonies were discussed and commented upon favourably, and some notes were taken to assist with next year's ceremonies.

The Divine Mercy Mass took place in the week after Easter. Thanks to all who put work into this. Again we received very positive comments on this.

The smooth running of the Confirmation Ceremonies that took place last weekend was commended. We thank the coordinators in the parish and from the schools, as well as Archbishop Duffy, who facilitated this for us. Notes have also been taken on adjustments that can be made next year.

The upcoming Corpus Christi Procession was discussed, and a subcommittee has been formed to look at this.

A discussion took place on the Bishop's Pastoral Letter on Funeral Ministry. The Pastoral Council explored various aspects of this, and it will continue to be a topic of conversation within the parish.

The recent survey by the Department of Education on the divesting of schools was also discussed. Schools now await the individual results, which are expected from the Department in the coming weeks.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SUNDAY, 3RD MAY (LED BY ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS)

WE ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE
A bus will leave the

Arch Car Park at 10.30am sharp on Sunday.

To Book contact: Assumpta 0872706061 / Vincent 0872939367

OCIA – ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

There is a growing number of adults across the Diocese wishing to begin or complete their journey into the Catholic Church. The OCIA programme is available for those interested. If you would like to learn more, you are warmly invited to make contact. Email: OCIA@knockshrine.ie