

21ST JUNE 2026

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE

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✠ MASS TIMES ✠

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

SATURDAY JUNE 20TH, 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM
Padraic Cahill, Derrydonnell, (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY JUNE 21ST, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM
Julianne Morrissey, Coshla, (Month's Mind)

SATURDAY JUNE 27TH, 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM
Dympna Bowman, The Glade, (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY JUNE 28TH, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM
Patricia Ward, Athenry & Sligo, (1st Anniversary)

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NEWCASTLE

SUNDAY JUNE 21ST, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM
Paddy Joe, Annie & Oliver Rabbitte
& deceased of the Rabbitte & Conroy families

SUNDAY JUNE 28TH, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM
Michael & Ciss Coppenger
& deceased of the O'Grady & Coppenger families

RECENTLY DECEASED — MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Thomas Walsh, Farnablake
Martin Gannon, formerly of Shudane
Paul Conneely, Crumlin, Ballyglunin,
nephew of Debra Waldron, Tysaxon

BASKET COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND

ATHENRY & NEWCASTLE
€3,470

VERY LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

At all Masses, the main celebrant will have low gluten hosts.

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

BIBLE STUDY GROUP — TUESDAYS AT 7:30PM

Weekly Bible Study continues Tuesdays 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre with a special welcome to those aged 18-35

LITURGY & ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN AT MASS
Children's Liturgy (during Sunday 11:00am Mass) for Junior/Senior Infants & 1st Class. Children too young for this can avail of colours & religious colouring sheets at rear of both churches

READINGS: 28TH JUNE — 13TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

1st READ: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16. **PSALM:** 88:2-3, 16-19.
2nd READ: RM 6:3-4, 8-11. **GOSPEL:** Mt 10:37-42.

WEEKLY INTENTIONS 10:00AM MON. 22 — SAT. 27 JUNE

- ✠ Fr. Patrick Burke, late of The Presbytery, Church Street.
- ✠ Kathleen Sweeney, U.K. (Month's Mind)
- ✠ Michael Farrell, Rockfield Cross
- ✠ Tommy & Kathleen McNamara & their son Tom & the Egan & McNamara families
- ✠ Paddy Connolly, Leitrim, Loughrea
- ✠ Pat Mulroy, Railway View & deceased members of the Mulroy family, Ballydavid
- ✠ Nora & John Madden, sons Paddy, Jackie & Noel, daughter Mary, daughters-in-law Ina & Josephine
- ✠ Alojz Gregor, Slovakia
- ✠ Thomas, Hubert & Rosaleen Healy & sons Hubert, Johnny & Patrick & daughter Evelyn, Rockmore
- ✠ Richard & Nuala Conway, their daughter Carol & deceased of the Conway & Stapleton families
- ✠ Margaret & Joe Maloney & deceased of the family
- ✠ Karen Torpey & her father Eamon Torpey & deceased of the Torpey & Kelly families
- ✠ Maudie Thompson, Swangate
- ✠ Martin Patrick Cullen, his wife Agnes & their son John Bosco Cullen & deceased of the Cullen family
- ✠ Deceased members of the O'Regan families, Swangate
- ✠ Patrick, Margaret & Ann Finnerty, Corrandulla
- ✠ Mary Casserly Twomey Turloughmore & New York

♪ HYMNS 11:00AM SUNDAY MASS ATHENRY ♪

Entrance: Praise my Soul, the King of Heaven
Offertory: Ubi Caritas (God is Love)
Communion: Tell Out My Soul/Sweet Heart of Jesus
Recessional: **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.



END OF SCHOOL YEAR FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

As the primary school year ends, we wish all students an enjoyable summer break. We congratulate 6th class students moving on to second level in September. Heartfelt thanks to all teachers & staff for their tireless dedication & guidance & for support of the parish & the Sacraments. We also thank parents & guardians for their active role in their child's education.

LORD, WATCH OVER OUR STUDENTS THIS SUMMER & KEEP THEM SAFE. BLESS THEIR FAMILIES, TEACHERS, & STAFF.

BEIR BUA AGUS BEANNACHT!

A PRAYER FOR FATHERS ON FATHER'S DAY

God our loving Father, We thank you for the gift of fathers and for all who show a father's care through their guidance, encouragement and love.

Bless fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers and all who support family life. Give them wisdom, patience and strength in their daily responsibilities.

We remember with gratitude those whose example continues to inspire us, and we pray for those who have completed their earthly pilgrimage. May they rest in your peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

DAY FOR LIFE 2026 — SUNDAY JUNE 21st

Every year the Day for Life falls on Father's Day, this year Sunday 21 June, when the Church across Ireland reflects on the theme "The Humanity of the Unborn Child", inviting us to consider the wonder of human life from the moment of conception. We remember how the Lord Jesus Christ Himself experienced beginning of life in the world as an unborn child, hidden in the womb of Mary. Scripture tells us John the Baptist leapt in his mother Elizabeth's womb when Mary greeted her. Mary treasured her Son in her heart & womb until His birth. We give thanks for the gift of life and recognise the dignity of every human person from conception. We also remember parents who have experienced the loss of a child before birth or in infancy, holding them in prayer and offering compassion and support. We are reminded of our shared responsibility to cherish, protect and support life at every stage. To read the full Irish Catholic Bishops' message, visit www.councilforlife.ie.

Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendour and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness. Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life.

ARCHDIOCESAN CLERGY WELLBEING OFFICER VACANCY

The Archdiocese of Tuam invites applications for the Fixed Term position of Clergy Health and Wellbeing Officer. The deadline for application letters, with an up-to-date curriculum vitae is no later than 5pm on Friday 3rd July 2026, to the email admin@tuamarchdiocese.org or to the Diocesan Office, Archbishop's House, Bishop Street, Tuam, Co. Galway. More details at: www.tuamarchdiocese.org — Latest News section.

The holder of this position has the responsibility for:

- ◇ assisting and supporting clergy in making their own care decisions and care plans;
- ◇ acting as an advocate for clergy who are in need of care;
- ◇ assisting the Archdiocese in fulfilling its responsibilities towards the health and wellbeing of its clergy;

Hours of Work: 20 hours per week.

Remuneration: €35,000 per annum. Travel expenses are paid.

Annual Leave: 20 days, plus statutory days.

Duration of Contract: Two year fixed-term contract.

Probationary period: Six months from date of starting.

Qualifications: Applicants should have a minimum of 5 years' experience, with a recognised nursing / caring qualification, & in general nursing / elderly care / community nursing. Experience in psychiatric nursing would be an advantage, but not essential. Registered with NMBI (Nursing & Midwifery Board of Ireland). Full eligibility to work in Ireland.

MONTHLY SENSORY FRIENDLY MASS KNOCK SHRINE

Takes place at 12.30pm Sunday, June 28 in the Prayer Centre, Knock. All welcome. More info: Nicola Mitchell - 094 93 88100.

PRIESTS' SUMMER COLLECTION — 27TH & 28TH JUNE

PRIEST COLLECTION



The Summer Collection for the priests of the Parish will be taken up at all Masses next weekend Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th June. This is one of the four 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: **IBAN: IE33 AIBK 9370 1000 1550 60. BIC: (AIBKIE2D).**

FUNERAL MINISTRY INFORMATION MEETING

We sincerely thank those from our parish who attended the Funeral Ministry Information Meeting during the week. It offered a helpful introduction to the various ways in which trained lay ministers can assist with the Church's funeral rites. The Pastoral Council will now reflect on the next steps.

2026 CEMETERY MASSES IN AUGUST

ALL MASSES WILL BE AT 7.30PM.



- ✠ Monday 10th August Moorpark Cemetery
- ✠ Tuesday 11th August Templegeall Cemetery
- ✠ Wednesday 12th August Willmount Cemetery
- ✠ Thursday 13th August Templemoyle Cemetery
- ✠ Friday 14th August Athenry New Cemetery

In the event of inclement weather on the evening, all Masses will be transferred to Athenry Church, beginning at the same time, with the exception of Templemoyle which will be held in Newcastle Church. Details of any potential change of venues will be announced on parish radio & webcam on the evening.

The cemetery committees appeal to parishioners to attend to their family graves — tidy up, clear grass or weeds on the graves & to remove old discarded wreaths. Please do likewise for any neglected graves where there are no living relatives. Please do not dump any bags of rubbish in the Cemetery.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY — 'LADY DAY' SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST 2026

MASS AT 3:00PM AT OUR LADY'S WELL.

ROSARY PROCESSION @ 2:15PM: FROM THE SQUARE TO LADY'S WELL



'Lady Day' is always a very important day in Athenry Parish. As a Parish Community it is a time of coming together. We pray it may also be a time of grace & blessing.

LEGION OF MARY MEETING WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE

The next meeting takes place at 7:00pm in the Pastoral Centre, on Wednesday 24th June. New members welcome. Info: www.legionofmary.com or contact Margaret on 0872204772.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

28th August — 3rd September. Led by: Archbishop Francis Duffy. Direct return flights from Knock to Lourdes. For info. & bookings: Tel: 012410800. Email: info@joewalshstours.ie

MS IRELAND — THANK YOU

The Galway branch of MS Ireland would like to thank Athenry parishioners for their generous contribution of €507.60 from their recent church gate collection on the 6th and 7th June.