

28TH JUNE 2026 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ATHENRY

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, NEWCASTLE

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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

MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

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)

SATURDAY JULY 4TH, 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM
Anne Joyce, Rathgorgan (Month's Mind)

SUNDAY JULY 5TH, 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM
Eileen Mangan, Lambert Court, (Month's Mind)

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SUNDAY JUNE 28TH, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM
Michael & Ciss Coppenger

& deceased of the O'Grady & Coppenger families

SUNDAY JULY 5TH, 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM
Callum Holly, Cloonkeen

RECENTLY DECEASED — MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Bridget Higgins, Ballydavid Cottages
Thomas (Tomsie) Walsh, Farnablake
Sr. Mary O'Regan, Tuam & formerly Swangate, Athenry
Josephine Kelly, Doonane, Colemanstown
Brendan Murphy, Dublin & Wicklow,
Brother-in-law of Patrick & Eugene Quirke, Castlelambert

BASKET COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND

ATHENRY & NEWCASTLE
€3,655

VERY LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

The main celebrant will have low gluten hosts at all Masses.

JULY SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Saturday July 4th after 10:00am Mass. Recommended once per month, unless needed, & ideally accompanied by Confession.

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

READINGS: 5TH JULY — 14TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

1st READ: ZEC 9:9-10. PSALM: 114:1-2, 8-11, 13-14.
2nd READ: 1 RM 8:9, 11-13. GOSPEL: MT 11:25-30.

WEEKLY INTENTIONS 10:00AM MON 29 JUNE — SAT 4 JULY

- Agnes Houlihan, Northgate St.
Patrick Ward, Ballydavid
Brendan Deely, Woodlawn
Peter Feeney & deceased of the Feeney, Ballydavid
Imne, Ilona Nanasi & all the deceased of the Nanasi family
Keith McDonagh, Gort na Rí
John & Davey Ward, Manchester
Kathleen & Tom Coyne, Park
Deceased members of the Tierney family, Caheroyan Rd.
Padraic, Una & Seamus Connor, Boyhill
Tom Ward & his son Tomás, Cullairbaun Estate
Eamon Torpey, Ard Aoibhinn & his daughter Karen & deceased of the Torpey & Kelly families
Patrick Hession, Mirah, his sons Matt & Sonny, grandsons Gerard & John Hession, all of London
Rosaleen Smyth, Googleberry House, Cahertubber East

HYMNS 11:00AM SUNDAY MASS ATHENRY

Entrance: Be Still for the Presence of the Lord
Offertory: My Lord, My God, My all
Communion: God is Love Ubi Caritas
Recessional: I will sing a hymn to Mary
1. I'll sing a hymn to Mary, / The mother of my God, The virgin of all virgins, / Of David's royal blood.
O teach me, holy Mary, / A loving song to frame, When wicked men blaspheme thee, / To love and bless thy name.
2. O noble Tow'r of David, / Of gold and ivory, The Ark of God's own promise, / The gate of heav'n to me.
To live and not to love thee / Would fill my soul with shame;
When wicked men blaspheme thee, / To love and bless thy name.

END OF SCHOOL YEAR FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

As the primary school year wraps up, we wish all the students, their teachers, & school staff a safe, enjoyable, & well-deserved summer break! May God bless everyone with a summer filled with rest, joy, fun, & precious time with family & friends.

BEIR BUA AGUS BEANNACHT ORAIBH GO LÉIR!

RECENTLY DECEASED - PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS

When an immediate family member of a parishioner from outside our parish, dies, they can be prayed for during 'Recently Deceased' prayers & included in the newsletter. We ask that this be either requested by a family member or by someone with the expressed consent of the family. This ensures that the person is gently & respectfully held in the prayers of the community at a time of bereavement, with the knowledge & involvement of the family. We always remember deceased parishioners whose funerals occur in the parish.

JULY "FIRST FRIDAY" CALLS

Fr. Charlie THURSDAY 2ND JULY
Fr. Benny FRIDAY 3RD JULY

DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY, PARISH MISSION APPEAL

There are 4 Daughters of Charity houses in Ireland: Dublin, Cork Belfast and Knock. Sr. Geraldine & Sr. Christina from The Daughters of Charity will visit Athenry parish on the weekend of the 4th & 5th July 2026 and will speak at all Masses about their work in Africa. Daughters of Charity are an International Community of Apostolic Life within the Catholic Church. They first came to Ireland in 1855 during post-famine times.

THANK YOU FROM MARY'S MEALS

Local co-ordinator of Athenry Mary's Meals Oonagh Carroll-Acton would like to express her deepest gratitude to the First Communion classes of the Primary Schools in Athenry Parish for their extraordinary generosity in contributing a total of €1,678.58 from their First Communion gifts. When the children were told that 11 cents would feed a child for one day (€22 for a whole year), they decided to put their faith into practice by showing the less fortunate some of what they were fortunate to be born into. In addition, an anonymous donor, who heard of the children's generosity, promised to match their response.

AS A RESULT THE TOTAL GENERATED BY THE 2026 FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES CAME TO €3,357.16 WHICH WILL FEED 152 CHILDREN EACH DAY FOR A FULL SCHOOL YEAR.

If you would like to make a donation, you can do so to the Mary's Meals Donation Box in the Parish Office.

CHOIR BREAK FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

St Mary's Parish Choir is taking an official summer break for the month of July. However, there may occasionally be some members available to sing at some Sunday Masses in July.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY BREAK FOR SUMMER

Bible Study is on summer break & returns at end of August.

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.

A REFLECTION

Ships don't sink because of the water around them
Ships sink because of the water that gets in them
Don't let what's happening around you
Get inside you and weigh you down

PRIESTS' SUMMER COLLECTION — 27TH & 28TH JUNE

The Summer Collection for the priests of the Parish will be taken up at all Masses this 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).

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.

'LADY DAY' SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST 2026

MASS @ 3PM 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 MEETINGS

Meetings take place every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Pastoral Centre. Info: www.legionofmary.com or contact Margaret on 0872204772. New members always welcome.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 28 AUG. — 3 SEPT.

- Led by: Archbishop Francis Duffy » Full religious programme
Direct return flights from Knock to Lourdes
Airport transfers and assistance in Lourdes
6 nights in hotel » Full board: breakfast, lunch & dinner
Airport taxes » 20kg check-in luggage
Full services of Joe Walsh Tours throughout the Pilgrimage
For info. & bookings: 012410800; info@joewalstours.ie

KNOCK SHRINE MINI MONTHLY VIGIL

Takes place Friday, July 3rd. Confessions available in the Chapel of Reconciliation 8—9pm. The vigil takes place in the Parish Church from 9pm to Midnight. All are welcome.

NATIONAL LEARNING NETWORK TRAINING PROGRAMME

FRESHSTART: free vocational training for the unemployed; retain social welfare payments, QQI Level 4 qualification. For more info contact 087 680 0926 or patrick.hannon@nlm.ie.