8TH NOVEMBER 2026 — **32ND SUNDAY 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 &/or envelope no. if you have one).*
Bank: AIB, Athenry; **Account Name:** St. Mary's Parish Athenry. **IBAN**:IE59 AIBK 9370 1013 1670 45. **BIC**:AIBKIE2D



WEEKEND MASSES:
CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION ATHENRY

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7TH 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM
Novena for the Holy Souls
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8TH 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM
Novena for the Holy Souls
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 14TH 2026 — MASS AT 6:30PM
John Murphy, Ballyglunin & Willmount Hse. (1st Anniversary)
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 15TH 2026 — MASS AT 11:00AM
Margaret Rose Barrett, London & Ballydavid (1st Anniversary)



WEEKEND MASS: CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NEWCASTLE

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8TH 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM
Seán O'Connor, Lenamore (1st Anniversary)
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 15TH 2026 — MASS AT 10:00AM
Breda & Joe Burke, Binn

RECENTLY DECEASED — May They Rest in Peace
Seamus Quinn, Dublin & Ballina,
brother of Stephanie O'Regan, Swangate
Jacqueline Keane, Mountain West

BASKET COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND
ATHENRY & NEWCASTLE **€3,850**

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
ATHENRY Mon — Wed. 10:30am - 6:00pm daily
Thurs. 10:30am - Sat. 6pm (perpetual)
Sunday 12 noon - 6pm
NEWCASTLE Saturday 6pm - 7pm (change of time - winter)
Monday 6:pm - 9pm

WEEKLY CONFESSION TIMES
ATHENRY: Sat. 9.15 - 9.45am before 10am Mass / by appt.
NEWCASTLE: After 10.00am Mass on Sundays.

VERY LOW GLUTEN HOSTS
For those unable to receive full gluten hosts, very low gluten hosts are available from the main celebrant in both churches.

ATHENRY BIBLE STUDY GROUP
Tuesdays at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre. Join us as we delve into the history and mysteries of the Old & New Testaments.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY
During Sunday 11:00am Mass throughout the school year. For children Junior Infants — 1st Class. If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Parish Office: 091844076.

READINGS: 8TH NOVEMBER — 33RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
1st READ: PROV. 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 **PS**: 127: 1-5, R/ v1
2st READ: 1 TH. 5:-6 **GOSPEL**: MT. 25:14-30

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS — TUES. 10TH—SAT. 14TH NOV.
✝ Mary Ann Farrell, Turloughalanger
✝ Kitty Deehan, Raheen
✝ Katie Curran, Pollnagroagh
✝ Tommy, Micko & Michelle Morrissey, Deerpark
✝ Kate & Michael Kelly, Castlelambert, family: John Joe, Christy, Tony, Agnes, Noreen & deceased of Duggan & Kelly families
✝ Gretta Krolak, Ard Esker
✝ Michael Joe Kelly, Coldwood
✝ Ellen McDonagh, Cullairbaun
✝ Carmel & Sean Torpey, Ard Aoibhinn
✝ Lena & Mattie Conroy, Moyvilla
✝ Peggy & Joe Coady, Laraghbeg
✝ Peggy & Pa Costelloe, Gort na Rí
✝ Patrick & Mary Holland & dec'd of Holland & Keane family
✝ Joseph & Michael Dunne, Mulpit
✝ Vincent Doherty, Ballydavid
✝ Patrick & Mary, Gerry, Jimmy & Brendan King, Baunmore
✝ Nora & John Joe Cullinane, Mountbrown & deceased of the Cullinane & Harty families
✝ Joseph & Gertrude Cahill & their daughter Una Carroll, Derrydonnell & deceased of the Keane & Cahill families
✝ Teresa Finnerty, Ballygurrane
✝ Willie & Lily Ryan & deceased relatives

♫ HYMNS ATHENRY 11AM MASS — PLEASE JOIN IN ♫
Entrance: Christ be near at either hand
Offertory: Lord for tomorrow and it's needs
Communion: The King of Love
Recessional: Hail Holy Queen Enthroned

Christ be near at either hand, Christ behind, before me stand,
Christ with me where e'er I go, Christ around, above, below.
Christ be in my heart & mind, Christ within my soul enshrined,
Christ control my wayward heart; Christ abide & ne'er depart.
Christ my life and only way, Christ my lantern night and day,
Christ be my unchanging friend Guide & shepherd to the end

AGM OF ATHENRY–SIMANJIRO PARTNERSHIP
The Athenry–Simanjiro Partnership will hold its AGM on Monday, 23 November 2026, at 7:30pm in the Social Services Centre, New Line, Athenry (H65 E032). For 21 years, the Partnership, through the generosity & support of the people of Athenry & surrounding areas, has made a real difference to the lives of people in Simanjiro, Tanzania, particularly in healthcare, education & access to clean water. The banners on display in Athenry church highlight some of the wonderful achievements & show what can be accomplished through kindness & working together. *New members are warmly welcome, especially anyone who can spare a little time to help improve the lives of those less fortunate*. Come along, share your ideas & help carry this worthwhile Partnership forward.

REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DECEASED

NOVENA FOR DECEASED CONCLUDES MONDAY 9TH NOV.
While the Church puts great emphasis on remembering our loved ones throughout the year, special emphasis is placed on them during November. THE LAST DAY OF OUR ANNUAL NOVENA FOR THE DECEASED IS MONDAY 9TH NOVEMBER AT 10:00AM.

WILLMOUNT CEMETERY NOVEMBER PRAYERS
Rosary & Prayers for the Faithful Departed will be held in Willmount Cemetery on this SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8TH at 3:30pm. We gather to remember and pray for those who have gone before us to eternal rest. All are warmly welcome.

MASS FOR THE BEREAVED — ATHENRY CHURCH FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 7:30PM
November is the month of remembering our deceased loved ones, but it is also an important time to reach out to those who grieve their loss. Recent grief can be very hard to navigate, but many also carry a silent grief from years past. Mass for people in the parish who have been bereaved & for all those who feel the pain of loss, heavy within them, will take place in Athenry Church Friday 13th November at 7:30pm. This is a Mass for both Athenry & Newcastle Church areas. Please inform anyone that may like to attend. "Cuppa" after Mass in Pastoral Centre.

CHRIST THE KING NOVENA: NOVEMBER 13TH – 21ST
The nine day Novena ends the day before the Feast of Christ the King on 22nd November.

NOVENA PRAYER IN HONOUR OF JESUS AS TRUE KING

O Lord our God, You alone are the Most Holy King and Ruler of all nations. We pray to You, Lord, in the great expectation of receiving from You, O Divine King, mercy, peace, justice and all good things. Protect, O Lord our King, our families and the land of our birth. Guard us we pray Most Faithful One! Protect us from our enemies and from Your Just Judgment. Forgive us, O Sovereign King, our sins against you. Jesus, You are a King of Mercy. We have deserved Your Just Judgment. Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. We trust in Your Great Mercy. O most awe-inspiring King, we bow before You and pray; May Your Reign, Your Kingdom, be recognised on earth. Amen.

SAY THE ABOVE NOVENA PRAYER, FOLLOWED BY 1 OUR FATHER, 1 HAIL MARY AND 1 GLORY BE EACH DAY FOR THE 9 DAYS.

Jesus said "I promise that every time you say these novena prayers I will convert 10 sinners, bring 10 souls into the one true faith, release 10 souls from purgatory many of whom are the souls of priests & be less severe in My judgement of your nation."

2026 MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS AT KNOCK SHRINE
The annual Mass for bereaved parents & their families will take place in St John's Rest & Care Centre, Knock Shrine on this Sunday 8th November at 3:00pm. A candle will be lit in memory of each person as their name is called aloud. All are welcome.

BEREAVEMENT CARE AT KNOCK SHRINE
Knock Shrine offers a welcoming and supportive space for those coping with the loss of a loved one. The following meetings take place in the Family Centre, Knock Shrine. All welcome. No booking is required. More info: 0949375320 or 086 8360269, or email familycentre@knockshrine.ie.
Bereavement Support Group: Every Wednesday at 11am.
Bereaved Spouses/Partners Support Group:
First Thursday of each month at 11am.

DIOCESAN FUNERAL MINISTRY

The Funeral Ministry Training Programme will take place in early 2027. If anyone else is interested in Funeral Ministry but hasn't yet registered, you are still very welcome to join. It's not too late! Please contact the Parish Office on 091 844076.

CALLED TO SERVE – PARISH MINISTRY DAY IN KNOCK
A day of encouragement, practical ideas and inspiration for anyone involved in Parish Ministry. All welcome. More info: faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie or call 09493 88100 ext. 408.



MASS BOOKINGS
Athenry: Month's Minds & 1st Anniversaries only at weekend (6:30pm Sat. & 11am Sun). Other anniversaries: weekday Masses (10am, Mon.–Sat.). 2027 diary open. 091 844076.
Newcastle: All Masses (Sunday 10am) can be booked through Mary Gannon, Sacristan. 086 4060187

REMINDER RE CHY 3 — CHARITABLE DONATION SCHEME
If you have not yet returned your CHY 3 or Non-Taxpayer forms, you may do so by placing them in the church baskets or dropping them into the Parish Office. *MÍLE BUÍOCHAS.*

ATHENRY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS FUNDRAISING
Thank you to everyone who generously supported our recent church-gate collection & table quiz. Together, you made it possible to light up Athenry again this year, creating a warm, welcoming atmosphere for all this Christmas season.

LISHEENKYLE NS ENROLMENT 2027
Now accepting enrolments for Sept. 2027. Tel: 091844901. Email: admin@lisheenkylens.ie. Web: www.lisheenkylens.ie.

A TALK ON ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI - (Date Change)
Devotion to St. Francis of Assisi in Medieval Ireland. Talk by Br Colmán Ó Clabaigh OSB of Glenstal Abbey. Tues. 24 Nov. 8pm. Mountbellew Pastoral Centre. H53 Y9K4. All welcome!

YOUNG MEN OF ST JOSEPH — YMOSJ
For students (13-17) who want to build real friendships, understand life, & find courage to stand up for what matters. We'll explore what it means to live with strength, purpose & responsibility. Pizza & plenty of craic on the night. Friday 13th November 8-9pm Tuam Parish Centre. H54 T656. Register & to get parental consent forms: frmarkquinn@tuamparish.com.

CONNAUGHT YOUTH 2000 DAY RETREAT — Youth2000.ie
Takes place next Saturday, November 14 at Áras Naofa, Renmore. Youth 2000 provides an opportunity for young people (16-35) to deepen their relationship with God, explore Catholic faith & meet other young people through a structured retreat programme, including talks, testimonies & workshops. Donation only. Info & registration: connaught@youth2000.ie.