## PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY, RATOATH, DIOCESE OF MEATH, 2025 AD

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**Vigil** - 7.00pm

**Sunday** – 9.00am, 11.00am

Holy Days - 11.00am and as indicated in bulletin of the previous week

Weekdays - Monday to Friday 9.45am

**Confessions:** Before Vigil Mass

Baptisms: on the 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 4.30pm

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** after Wednesday Mass until 7pm **Parish Priest:** Rev Michael Cahill ~ **Assistant Priest:** Rev Gerry Stuart **Parochial House Eircode:** A85 CK73. **Church Eircode** A85 VX46

Parish Office: Monday and Friday 10am -1pm; Wednesday 2pm-5pm.

Our Pastoral Area is Ratoath, Ashbourne, Dunshaughlin, Curragha, Ardcath/Clonalvy & Skryne.

**Parish Safeguarding Reps** – Donal Fadden & Raewyn McKenna. Details on noticeboard in porch **Direct bank transfer** – Your donation can be transferred to:

Account Name: Ratoath Church Account No. 1 IBAN: IE33BOFI90318910247285 / BIC: BOFIIE2D



RIP: we commend to God the soul of Carlo Dehaene, late of Glascarn, whose funeral Mass was on Saturday.

Weekday Mass Intentions: Thursday - Billy Nolan, 1st Anniversary.

**List of the Dead Envelopes** still available at the back of the church to be taken home and returned to the church or office during the month of November as we continue to pray for and remember our faithful departed.

Our Pastoral Area is Ratoath, Dunshaughlin, Ashbourne, Ardcath/Clonalvy, Curragha & Skryne - 6 parishes, 10 churches, 19 Vigil/Sunday Masses and 8 priests.

**Dunboyne/Kilbride Parish Mission** this week: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> - **Healing Service** with Anointing of the Sick at 7.30pm; Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> - **Service of Reconciliation** with **Confession** at 7.30pm.

**40 Hours Adoration at the Cathedral in Mullingar** to celebrate the *Solemnity of Christ the King* started with Mass at 7:30 pm on Friday and concludes with Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm this Sunday. Our parish was allocated 3pm or 4pm on Sat 22<sup>nd</sup>. Confessions heard from 12noon to 12midnight on Saturday. It is hoped that many will come to pray for the Church, the diocese and our parish needs.

## \*\*Christmas Mass Schedule\*\*

Christmas Eve: 5pm Family Mass, 7pm, 9pm. Christmas Day: 9am & I Iam. Plan ahead!



Society of St Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas collection after all masses on 13th/14th December.

First Communion Grow in Love Mass on 6th/7th Dec & Confirmation Preparation stage 2 on 13th/14th Dec.

**Dues Envelopes** are now being labelled and prepared for distribution/collection next week. In line with other parishes a new system has been introduced. Until now all homes in the parish received envelopes, amounting to 3,600 boxes. As not all choose to support the parish in this way, this has now been significantly reduced to those who have returned their envelope in the past five years. Many thanks to the area distributors, some of whom will still be asked to kindly distribute the boxes.

Parishioners are reminded that the **White Envelope** goes towards the upkeep of the church, parochial house, grounds, cemetery, salaries, insurance, light, heat etc; the **Blue Envelopes** pay the monthly salary of the priests. Other methods and means of supporting the parish are **Standing Orders** and one-off contributions all of which go towards general parish upkeep or the stated wishes of the donor.

**Ratoath Junior NS Information Evening** for Prospective Parents on Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec, 7pm with a presentation on and a tour of the school and an opportunity for questions. For info contact office@ratoathjuniorns.ie

**St. Paul's NS Open Evening for Enrolment** on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm - 8.30pm. An opportunity to view the school and meet staff & students. Register your interest at 01-8257246.

**Retreat for Young Adults** (18-40yrs), Dalgan Park, Navan, 12<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> Dec (Fri evening – Sunday after lunch). Prepare for Christmas with a prayerful retreat. Join other young people in prayer, friendship in faith, talks, Masses, peaceful walks, confession/or personal chat with one of the team. Cost: Donation (full board, own room). Contact: Sr Úna: 090 6481666 or Michael: 086 2453123 or email: youthretreats@gmail.com

**Ratoath Church Choir** with Mary Hetherington and Miriam Mulrooney now practising for Christmas every Tuesday at 6pm in the Parish Centre. New members welcome. For info contact the parish office.

Alzheimer Christmas Lunch, Friday 28th November at Ratoath Community Centre, I Iam-Ipm. All welcome!

Annual Ratoath Art and Crafts Fayre will be held at the GAA Club, Dunshaughlin Rd. Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November, I Iam - 5pm. All proceeds to Gaza, Cancer and our local St Vincent de Paul Society.

Parish Folk Group Christmas Concert on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 8pm in the church. Proceeds to Ratoath Alzheimer's Club. Tickets from Folk Group members or at the door.

Christmas Charity Concert Thurs II<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7.30pm in the church in aid of Irish Kidney Association.

**St. Paul's NS Annual Christmas Fair - Sunday 7**<sup>th</sup> **December,** 10.30am to 2.30pm. Lots of stalls including a cake sale & book stall. Santa himself will take time out from his hectic schedule to meet the children in our grotto. A great family fun-day with a raffle and other exciting seasonal treats. Don't miss it!

**Meath Archaeological and Historical Society** lecture Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov, Dalgan Park, 3pm. "Monasticism in Early Medieval Ireland: New Perspectives" by Dr Edel Bhreathnach. The paper will consider the early monastic tradition and medieval monasticism with particular reference to Ardbraccan, Clonard, Duleek & Kells.

Offertory Collection for 16<sup>th</sup> November - €1,500.00



