

PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY, RATOATH, DIOCESE OF MEATH, 2026 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, Ardath/Clonalvy & Skryne.

Parish Safeguarding Reps - Donal Fadden & Raewyn McKenna. Details on noticeboard in porch

Direct bank transfer - Your donation can be transferred to:

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3 RD MAY – 5 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER		10 TH MAY – 6 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
Saturday 7.00pm	Ita Kennedy, 6 th Anniversary, and Patrick and Maisie Kennedy	Saturday 7.00pm	Florence Martin, Month's Mind
Sunday 9.00am	Pro Populo- for the people of the Parish	Sunday 9.00am	Pro Populo- for the People of the Parish
11.00am	David and Eileen Conmey; Michael, Brigid, Seamus and Breege McIntyre; Noel and Phil Shanley	11.00am	Mark Lawlor, 1st Anniversary; Jim McMahon, 22 nd Anniversary; Lorraine Eiffe, 5 th Anniversary

Rest in peace: We commend to God the soul of **Margaret (Peggy) Holmes**, Foxlodge Manor.

Weekday Mass Intentions: **Monday** - Linda Reynolds; **Tuesday** - Catherine McAuley, 2nd Anniversary; **Thursday** - Anna Byrne, 3rd Anniversary, and her grandparents Mylie & Kathy Byrne and Michael & Julie Clarke

Trocaire: last call for boxes not yet returned! €4,201.00 has been sent to Trocaire. Every single cent and coin is equally important as it represents the fruit of someone's Lenten penance and their desire to help those in greater need in Rwanda and elsewhere through the work of Trocaire.

Vocations Sunday: the sum of €1,500 from our Offertory collection last Sunday was forwarded to the Bishop's Office as our parish support for vocations in our diocese.

Blessing of Graves - Sunday 24th May at 3pm

A good time to attend to your family plot, or a grave with no one to look after it; to kindly clean up the surrounding area, if needed, and to place all soil, rubbish, plastic, glass, waste etc in the skips provided.

Pastoral Council meeting on Tuesday to prepare for a **Pastoral Area meeting** on 20th May the topic of which is *A coordinated approach to Sacramental Preparation in our Parishes* ie Baptism, First Confession & Communion, Confirmation and Marriage in the six parishes of our Pastoral Area.

First Holy Communion dates: May 9th Ratoath Junior NS; May 16th Rathbeggan; May 23rd St Paul's.

Spring Safeguarding Newsletter from our Safeguarding Office now available on the diocesan website.

CHY4 Forms - many thanks to those who are so kindly returning their forms to be processed by the parish office in order to benefit from the tax rebate for which we are eligible under the Charities Act.

Meath Alzheimer Café takes place this Wednesday from 7-9pm, Pastoral Centre, Dunshaughlin. Guest speaker is from *Sage Advocacy Ireland*. New attendees always welcome.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock - Sunday 9th August.

Knock Pilgrimage to Pray for Peace in the Holy Land on Saturday 16th May. The pilgrimage is organised by the papal charity *Aid to the Church in Need* and led by Bishop William Shomali from Bethlehem who will offer a message of hope at 11am and celebrate Mass at 3pm. All are welcome. More information at www.acnireland.org

Ratoath Community Centre Multicultural Sunday – is a free community event on Sunday, 31st May, 12pm-2pm, at St. Oliver's Community Centre to bring together residents from diverse cultural backgrounds through a relaxed, creative painting session for all ages and skill levels. Participants receive a full set of art materials, including canvas, brushes & paints. A local artist will engage with participants throughout the afternoon. Free refreshments to create a warm, family atmosphere. *Multicultural Sunday* is about connection, creativity, and celebrating the richness of our community. Free Admission. All welcome and no artistic experience is needed.

Meath Diocesan pilgrimage to Padua & Assisi with Bishop Deenihan to celebrate the Franciscan Jubilee Year. 26th Sept- 5 nights. Padua, Venice, the Holy House in Loreto, the resting place of St. Carlo Acutis, and the San Damiano Cross and Basilica of St Francis. Cost €1,335.00 includes half-board accommodation. JWT Travel tel:01 2410800 Email:info@jewalshtours.ie Detailed itinerary on www.dioceseofmeath.ie/pilgrimage-way

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - volunteer as a Helper to support those looking after assisted pilgrims: accompany pilgrims to the Grotto, Mass, the Baths, support them in hotels and the airport, offer companionship and practical help? Volunteers receive training, are Garda vetted and in Lourdes work under a team leader. If ready to offer your services from 9th - 12th/13thSept, contact Mark Whearty, Regional Secretary, 086 8761849

A Discovering Christ Course begins on Tuesday 5th May at Ceili Community Centre, Kilbeggan, N91 NY28. Seven Tuesdays starting at 7.30pm. Teaching, small group sharing and community spirit. The course is about the meaning of life and how to deepen faith in Jesus and the Holy Spirit. All welcome. Text or phone 087 9789150

Young Adults Retreat (18-40 yrs). 8th-10th May (Fri evening – Sun afternoon) Dalgan Park, Navan. Prayer, talks, friendship in faith, Mass, opportunity for personal guidance, confession. A great opportunity to discern a path in life. Cost: Donation (Full board, own room). Contact: Sr Úna 090 6481666 or Michael 086 2453123 or email: youthretreats@gmail.com

Encounter Weekend, Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny. Fri 5th/Sat 6th June. Experience the presence of God through the Sacraments, Spirit-led worship, talks, healing service and fellowship. Be empowered by the Holy Spirit and learn from the saints how to live the life God intended. Speakers: Patrick Reis: co-founder Encounter Ministries USA & Fr. Patrick Gonyeau, Missionaries of the Precious Blood. email donegal@encounterschool.org.

Human Life International Ireland will hold a Mission Event - "Be strong in the Lord". 32 County Mission Event with relics of St Thérèse & The Holy Face. Thurs 7th May, Newgrange Hotel, Navan, 7pm.

Ratoath Pitch and Putt is open for new membership - juvenile and adult members welcome. Contact Veronica 087 769 3540. *Fun Night* every Wednesday at 6.30pm. All Welcome.

Darkness into Light Fairyhouse Racecourse takes place on Saturday morning 9th May at 4:15am Sign up now at - <https://www.darknessintolight.ie/> Or contact Carrie 0862393527/ Linda 0863963410.

Offertory Collection for Sunday 26th April: €1,815.00.

Our Parish Mission Statement

The mission of Holy Trinity parish is to bring the joy of Christ to where we live, building a community who journey together in faith, hope and love.



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