

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

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5 TH APRIL – EASTER SUNDAY - ‘ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA’		12 TH APRIL – LOW SUNDAY OR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	
Saturday 9pm	EASTER VIGIL AT <u>9pm</u> Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish	Saturday 7.00pm	Susan Brady, 1 st Anniversary; Paul Doran, 3 rd Anniversary;
Sunday 9.00am	Michael, Sheila & Thomas Ward	Sunday 9.00am	Joe Clarke, 2 nd Anniversary; Katie and Kevin Darby
11.00am	Mary McIntryne, 5 th Anniversary	11.00am	Rose Ellen (Nellie) Simpson, Month’s Mind; Angela Keogh, 1 st Anniversary; Noel Eiffe; Julia Cassidy, 3 rd Anniversary; Donald Conran (2 nd Anniv) & Gretta, Edward & John Conran; Edward Gannon; Ned and Ray McAndrew; Gerry Monahan, 4 th Anniversary

Daily Mass for Easter Week at the usual time of 9.45am

Weekday Mass Intentions: Thursday - Jimmy and Kathleen Cusack

‘Low Sunday’ is the name given to the Sunday after Easter. ‘Low’ after the ‘high’ of the Easter celebrations! Also observed as *Divine Mercy Sunday*, a Divine Mercy image from Poland is to be found in the Family Room.

Easter Holy Water – bottles are freely available at the baptismal font to be filled with Easter Water, newly blessed on Holy Saturday, to be taken home for family prayer life and given to others.

Easter thanks are warmly extended to all who contributed in any way to the Parish Lenten Programme and to the planning, preparation and celebration of the Ceremonies of Holy Week and Easter; the members of the Pastoral Council who organized the Way of the Cross each Monday and those who led the Stations during Lent; the Glantoiri who cleaned and prepared the church before and after ceremonies and do so all year long; the members of the Altar Society who care for the sanctuary and floral decoration, and Frances Mulvaney of Flowerbuds for the Easter flowers; our director of Sacred Music Mary Hetherington, our Choir, Cantors, Soloists and Musicians; Ministers of the Word and of Holy Communion; Deirdre in the sacristy; Stephen for the Easter Fire; our keen and committed Altar Servers; Collectors and Counters, and all who helped in any way.

Polish Mass next Sunday at 2pm, Confessions from 1.30pm.

First Friday – Communion Calls which could not be made on Good Friday will be attended to this Friday.

The **Trocaire campaign** this year followed the lives of Rwandan families as they struggle to deal with changes affecting their lives and livelihoods. The Trocaire box can be returned from now on.

A basket is provided in the sanctuary in which to place them.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - ever thought of volunteering as a Helper to support doctors, nurses, and carers in looking after assisted pilgrims on the pilgrimage: accompany pilgrims to the Grotto, Mass, the Baths, support pilgrims in hotels and the airport, offer companionship, reassurance, and practical help.

Volunteers receive prior training and are Garda vetted. In Lourdes helpers work as a team under a team leader. If ready to offer your services from 8th-12th /13thSept, contact Mark Whearty, Regional Secretary, 086 8761849

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service needs volunteers to train as facilitators to support couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Working as part of a team, facilitators provide four pre marriage programmes annually at Accord Centres. Successful applicants receive free professional training in 7 workshops at venues around the country. Applications by Fri 29th May. Contact Aisling 015053112 or marriagepreparation@accord.ie

Considering a **Postgraduate Programme** in 2026? For those interested in Parish and Community work, St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth offers Diploma, Higher Diploma and Master's programmes specialising in education and formation in the fields of Theological Studies, Pastoral Ministry, Healthcare Chaplaincy, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, and Liturgical Music. For more visit www.sppu.ie

Offertory Collection for Sunday 29th March: €1,688.00
White Envelopes for the period ending 22nd March: €1,592.83

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.*

Easter is a Feast of fifty days of continuous celebration until Pentecost on Sunday 24th May
During Eastertide the Angelus, at 12noon & 6pm, is replaced by the **Regina Coeli – Queen of Heaven**

which reflects Mary's joy at the resurrection of her divine Son.

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen, as He said, alleluia.

R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,

grant we beseech You, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



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