

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

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 and Elizabeth Ward. Details on noticeboard in porch

Direct bank transfer – Your donation can be transferred to:

Account Name: Ratoath Church Account No. 1 **IBAN:** IE33BOFI90318910247285 / **BIC:** BOFIE2D



28 TH SEPTEMBER – 26 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		5 TH OCTOBER – 27 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
Saturday 7.00pm	James & Patricia Reilly; Lizzy & John Madden; Michael McGillen; Martin & Marie Colfer	Saturday 7.00pm	Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish
Sunday 9.00am	Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish	Sunday 9.00am	Anthony, Mary Kate & Michael Gaughan, 40 th Anniversary; Maurice Brennan, 13 th Anniversary
11.00am	Michael Lynam; Patrick McDermott; Aoife Conway, 3 rd Anniversary and her Dad Aidan, 12 th Anniversary; John, Mary & PJ Roche, 4 th Anniversary	11.00am	Elizabeth Gilsean, 10 th Anniversary; Mae & Michael Casey & family

Daily Mass Intentions

Monday - Private Intention; **Tuesday** -Tom & May Cline & Matt Finnegan.

First Friday: 9.45am Mass offered for all whose names are on the *November Altar List of the Dead*.

Communion calls to the sick and housebound during the morning.

Also, 14th Anniversary remembrance for **Patrick Cowley** and deceased family members.

Parish Diary Dates: There will be a **Harvest Mass** in October to acknowledge the farming families of the parish and to remember where our food comes from and the work and skill involved in farming.

November Mass of Remembrance & Prayer on Sunday 2nd November for those who died since last November, and there will be a **Candlelit Choral Service** for the bereaved on a Friday in November.

Registration Meeting in the church this Tuesday **30th September at 7.30pm**, for the parents/guardians of children in 2nd class preparing for First Confession and First Holy Communion. The meeting will be addressed by members of the PC, and each school will form a Parents' Group to prepare the children for the **Family Masses** they will attend in preparation for these wonderful sacraments in which they will grow in faith and love of God.

Safeguarding Sunday 12th October - this annual event gives parishes the opportunity to highlight the role of children in parish life and the ongoing importance of child safeguarding as a constant feature of parish life. All parishes will also carry out the **annual safeguarding audit** with the safeguarding Reps and PP, to be completed and returned to the diocesan office by 14th November.

The **Co-ordinators of the Readers** have kindly been in touch to update the list of Readers and the Rota. New Readers always welcome for all masses. Contact the sacristy or parish office.

Glantoiri – many thanks to our dedicated cleaning teams and their ‘unseen’ work of cleaning, vacuuming, dusting, polishing and generally maintaining our church in all times and seasons as a clean, safe and beautiful place to meet and worship.

Legion of Mary National Pilgrimage to Knock this Sunday – we ask God’s blessing and Our Lady’s help and guidance for the members of our parish Praesidium and the wonderful work they do in visiting homes and doing street contact to encourage people to think about or return to the practise of the faith.

Diocesan Spirituality Afternoon for Pioneers: Sun 5th Oct, 2pm – 5pm, Franciscan Abbey, Multyfarnham.

Meath Alzheimer Café - Wednesday 1st October 7-9pm, Pastoral Centre, Dunshaughlin.

Guest speaker: Elaine Byrne, Solicitor – “Planning for the Future” All welcome! Enjoy tea, coffee & scones.

“Meath Cares About Older People” an event for older people in Co Meath. Info on services available across a wide sector, including nutrition, safety in the home, physical & mental health and technology for older people. Wed 8th Oct, 11am – 2.30pm, Athboy Convent Community Centre, Town Parks, Kildalkey Rd.

Attention young adults (ages 18-40) – Do you want to grow in your prayer life? **Meath Samuel Group** takes place in Navan, October to May. The programme entails attending a formation day once a month, meeting monthly with a spiritual director (we’ll help you find one, if needed), and a commitment to daily prayer. For more information and registration go to www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony

Young Adult Retreat (18-40yrs) Dalgan Park, Navan, Saturday 4th October (10am - 5.30pm) Prayer, Mass, friendship in the faith, Adoration, inspiring talks, confession / personal chat if desired, lovely walks. Cost: €20 suggested (lunch & tea breaks provided) Contact: Sr Úna: 090 6481666 or Michael: 086 2453123

Marriage Enrichment Weekend: Friday 7th - Sunday 9th November in Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. For information and booking www.marriageencounter.ie

Monastic Vocations weekend 24th - 27th October, in Glencairn Abbey, Co Waterford. Contact Sr Mairead, Novice Mistress. Email: vocations@glencairnabbey.org

Ratoath Men's Shed Annual Collection takes place at the Church Gates on Sat 4th & Sun 5th October. The members are grateful for and much appreciate your ongoing support.

Dunsany Heritage Talk 2025, 'Archbishop & Martyr – The Life and Death of St Oliver Plunkett', a talk by Paul Connell, Bishop of Ardagh & Clonmacnoise to mark the 400th anniversary of St Oliver’s birth at Loughcrew, Oldcastle and the 50th anniversary of his canonisation by Pope Paul VI on 12th October 1975 Thursday, 2nd October 7.30pm, Killeen Castle Golf Club, Dunsany. Admission free.

Bulletin: relevant news items of parish and local interest are always welcome for inclusion in the bulletin, subject to space available and editorial discretion and deadlines!

Weekly Collection: Offertory for 21st September - € 1,610.00

Envelopes for period ending 31st August:

White Envelopes €2,539.83; **Standing Orders** €2,976.84

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