

# 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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| 19 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL - 3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER |   | 26 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL - 4 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER - VOCATIONS SUNDAY |   |
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| Saturday<br>7.00pm  | Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish   | Saturday<br>7.00pm   | Vera Hegarty, Month's Mind;<br>Anthony King;<br>Ann & Tom Reilly, John & Brigid Reilly and<br>Angelo & Ellen Whyte  |
| Sunday<br>9.00am  | Clare Casey, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary  | Sunday<br>9.00am   | Bernard McMahon, 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary  |
| 11.00am   | Bill Herlihy, Month's Mind;<br>Sean Doran, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary;<br>Tony Donnelly;<br>Pierce Glynn | 11.00am  | Raymond Brennan, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary;<br>Sarah & Dan Eiffe, 41 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary;<br>Michael Rooney, 5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary;<br>Molly & Ernie Devine and Bernie Kelly;<br>Gerard Ralph |

**Weekday Mass Intentions: Tuesday - Mattie McCabe; Thursday - John Davis; Friday - Val Lambe**

**Weekday Mass-** there will be no 9.45am Mass this Wednesday  
Exposition and Adoration as usual from 10am to 7pm

The **Trocaire campaign** this year followed the lives of Rwandan families struggling with changes affecting their lives and livelihoods. The Trocaire box can be returned to the church, sacristy or parish office.

**Blessing of Graves on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm**

**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.

**Ratoath Alzheimer Society Monthly Social** in the Community Centre this Friday 11am - 1pm.

**Vocations Sunday** is on 26<sup>th</sup> April. If you feel called to be a priest, contact the diocesan vocations director: Fr Tony Gonoude tel: 044 9373923 Website: [www.meathvocations.com](http://www.meathvocations.com) vocations@dioceseofmeath.ie  
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There will be a collection next Sunday to support the formation of those currently in training for future ministry as priests in our diocese. We are grateful also for the ministry of priests from Romania, Nigeria and elsewhere who work alongside our native clergy to support parish sacramental and pastoral life across the diocese.

**Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock** - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August.

**St. Loman's Hospital:** Annual Mass of Remembrance, Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2pm in St. Paul's, Mullingar, in memory of those buried from 1907 -1970 and deceased patients & staff. Livestreamed on [www.mullingarparish.ie](http://www.mullingarparish.ie)

**The Community Centre** will host **Multicultural Sunday**, a free community event on Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> May, 12pm - 2pm, in the large hall at St. Oliver's Community Centre to bring together residents from diverse cultural backgrounds through a relaxed, creative painting session designed for all ages and skill levels. Participants will receive a full set of art materials, including canvas, easel, brushes and paints. A local artist will attend and engage with participants throughout the afternoon. Free refreshments - coffee, tea, cake, creating a warm, family-style atmosphere. *Multicultural Sunday* is about connection, creativity, and celebrating the richness of our community. Everyone is welcome, and no artistic experience is needed." Free Admission for all.

**Celebrating the Franciscan Jubilee Year** - Meath Diocesan pilgrimage to Padua & Assisi with Bishop Deenihan on 26<sup>th</sup> September for 5 nights. Pilgrims will visit the historic sites of Padua including the Basilica of St. Anthony; a visit to Venice and the Basilica of the Holy House in Loreto. Pilgrims will walk in the footsteps of St. Clare & St. Francis, visiting the resting place of the saints, among them St. Carlo Acutis, the young Italian known for his devotion to the Eucharist, and will visit the famous San Damiano Cross and Basilica of St Francis. The pilgrimage includes direct flights, transfers and tours, accommodation and half board. Cost €1,335.00. Bookings and enquiries JWT Travel Tel: 01 2410800 Email: [info@joewalshstours.ie](mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie) Detailed day-to-day itinerary available on [www.dioceseofmeath.ie/pilgrimage-way](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie/pilgrimage-way)

**Family Carers Ireland Step Up Walk** Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at I lam in Lough Boora Discovery Park, Co Offaly. Registration €10 per adult, children free. Sign up at [www.familycarers.ie/get-involved](http://www.familycarers.ie/get-involved)

**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 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> /13<sup>th</sup>Sept, 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 29<sup>th</sup> May. Contact Aisling 015053112 or [marriagepreparation@accord.ie](mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie)

Considering a **Postgraduate Programme** in 2026? St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth offers Diploma, Higher Diploma & Master's programmes in education and formation in the fields of Theology, Pastoral Ministry, Healthcare Chaplaincy, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, and Liturgical Music. For more visit [www.sppu.ie](http://www.sppu.ie)

**Offertory Collection** for Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April: €1,729.00

### **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.*

**Easter is a Feast of fifty days** of continuous celebration until Pentecost on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 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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