## 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, Ardcath/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: BOFIIE2D



We commend to God the soul of Jesse Pascual, Broadmeadow, whose funeral was on Thursday; and Ann McAuley, Rathbeggan, whose Requiem Mass will be offered on Monday in Ratoath.

Daily Mass Intentions: Thursday - Eoin, Biddy & their children, Eamonn, Ann & Geraldine.

The **Altar Society Annual Collection** last Sunday raised the sum of €988.47. The members of the Altar Society are grateful for the generous response and appreciation of the work they do all year in making our church a place of beauty for the celebration of Mass and the sacraments. The parish is grateful to them for their dedication and for arranging the collection, which will be used for flowers and other liturgical supplies. There will be a **Harvest Mass** on one of the Sundays of 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.

**Registration Meeting** in the church on **30**<sup>th</sup> **September at 7.30pm**, for the parents/guardians of the children in 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

Every parish is asked to coordinate a new Mass schedule with the other parishes of the **Pastoral Area** so that masses are at a variety of times to enable priests to cover mass in neighboring parishes in the absence of a priest. Taking this into account, **12.15pm Sunday mass will not resume**.

The Coordinators of the Readers and Ministers of Holy Communion for our Vigil and Sunday Masses, including the organisers of the 12.15pm Mass, are kindly asked to contact Fr Michael to arrange a meeting for the updating of the lists and the redeployment of ministers from the 12.15pm Mass to other Masses.



Parishioners who support our parish by **Standing Order** and who have not yet returned their **CHY4 Forms** are gently reminded and encouraged to kindly sign and return the form to the Parish Office so we can submit the forms to Revenue to be processed and to receive the tax rebate in favour of the parish.

Annual Hospice Coffee Morning, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 9.30-12.30- in aid of **St Francis Hospice & Garry Kelly Centre** in Swans Lounge, Curragha.

**Afternoon of Prayer for Peace** in Gaza, Ukraine and all the war zones of the world. Castleknock College, Sat 27<sup>th</sup> September 2pm Rosary, 3pm Holy Hour, 4pm Mass with Fr Adrian Crowley. Tea served. 086 8650708

**Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock**, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September. A bus will leave Navan Fairgreen at 8.15am and Trim Church at 8.30am. Cost, €25. To book, tel. Noreen 087 929 9544. All welcome.

**Diocesan Spirituality Afternoon for Pioneers**: Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2pm – 5pm, Franciscan Abbey, Multyfarnham.

"Meath Cares About Older People" is an event for older people in Co Meath. Information on services available across a wide sector, including nutrition, safety in the home, physical health, mental health and technology for older people etc. Last year's event in Ashbourne was very well attended by over 250 older people. Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Oct, I Iam – 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup>- Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November in Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. For information and booking <a href="https://www.marriageencounter.ie">www.marriageencounter.ie</a>

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

**St. Vincent's Castleknock College** invites 2025/26 Sixth Class boys and Parent(s)/Guardian(s) to an **Open Evening**, 23<sup>rd</sup> September; 5 - 6:30pm or 7:30 – 9pm. Ticketed only event and you must reserve tickets in advance for your chosen time. More Info at <a href="https://www.castleknockcollege.ie">www.castleknockcollege.ie</a>

The class of '75 of St Mary's Diocesan School, formerly CBS, Drogheda gather to mark 50 years since they said farewell to their alma mater. Proceedings commence at 7:30pm in the school and then to *The Pheasant Inn* for light refreshments, reminiscing and some music. Contact Tomás Hodgins @ 0872753807

**MAHS** - this year's Séamus MacGabhann Lecture will be delivered by Una Palcic on *The Development of Oldcastle Town 1650-1900*' and she will pay particular attention to the influence of the Naper estate and the Naper rentals collection in Meath County Archive, this Tuesday in Oldcastle Library at 7.30pm.

Weekly collection: Offertory for 14<sup>th</sup> September - € 1,355.00 Envelope collection for period ending 14<sup>th</sup> Sept: White Envelopes €861.68; Blue Envelopes €2,616.90

Bulletin for September is kindly sponsored by a generous parishioner