

PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY, RATOATH, DIOCESE OF MEATH, 2026 AD

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Vigil Mass – 7.00pm

Sunday Mass – 9.00am and 11.00am

Holy Days – 11.00am and as indicated in bulletin of the previous week

Daily Mass – 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 at Parish Office

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1 ST NOVEMBER – ALL SAINTS		8 TH NOVEMBER – THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
Saturday 7.00pm	James Corcoran, 6 th Anniversary Helen Reilly, 9 th Anniversary; Des Crofton; Special Intention	Saturday 7.00pm	Maura Walshe, 1 st Anniversary; John O'Neill, 25 th Anniversary
Sunday 9.00am	For All the Faithful Departed of the Parish	Sunday 9.00am	Anthony and Mary O'Boyle; Theresa Gorman and Joe & Teasie Gorman
11.00am	For All the Faithful Departed of the Parish	11.00am	Michael Kane, Month's Mind; Jack and Maggie Donnelly; Aggie and Anthony Donohoe; Maureen Breslin, 2 nd Anniversary; Nora Wilson, 4 th Anniversary; Julie Crowe, 7 th Anniversary; Geraldine O'Reilly; 10 th Anniversary; Jim Simpson, 16 th Anniversary

Daily Mass intentions: Thursday – for the souls in purgatory.

No 9.45am Mass this Wednesday as all priests are attending the annual Diocesan Assembly.

First Friday: Mass offered for those on the new **Altar List of the Dead**. Communion calls as usual.

Celebration for Deirdre Mills. Bishop Deenihan will offer I am Mass this Sunday and present to Deirdre for her many years as sacristan the Papal **Benemerenti** Medal, meaning *well deserved*. After Mass all are welcome to the Pastoral Centre for refreshments and a celebratory cake, organised by the Pastoral Council.

Candlelit Choral Service of Prayer and Remembrance for the Departed and Comfort for the Bereaved this Friday 6th November at 8pm for those who died since last November. Their names will be called and candles offered in their memory. All who have a loved one to remember are most welcome to the service.

Our fellow parishioners who died since November 2025: Denise Dowling, Theresa Gorman, Carlo Dehaene, Maura Walsh, Mary Keogh, Michael McKinney, Michael Kelly, Sean Sweeney, Owen Gunn, Francis McGee, Thomas Patrick Donohoe, Martin Bruen, Reinhard Schoeller, Florence Martin, Nellie Simpson, Vera Hegarty, Peggy Holmes, Ollie Callaghan, Noel McManus, Diarmuid Hiney, Clare Grendon, Paddy Donnelly, Bernie Murphy, Seamus Crean, Barbara Shevlin, Diarmuid & Ita O'Sullivan, Mary Reilly, Dermot Oates, Renata Kelly, Danny McCann, Justin Lynch, Ivy Ryder, Michael Kane, Anne Conmey, John Murphy, Kitty Tyrrell, Stephen Murray...

and those who died elsewhere and for whom we prayed at that time: Tom Carroll, Joseph Reilly, Ronan Gormley, Liam Collins, Adrian Ludlow, Jim Dunne, Philomena Moore, Teresa Gorman, Philomena Taylor, Sean O'Brien, Joan Doyle, Mary Rose Mullen, Maureen McGowan, Joe Dowd, Christina McMullen, Margaret Smyth, Pat McGonigle, Paddy Fitzpatrick, Bill Herlihy, Ellen McCabe, Maura Creed, Anne Devine, Mary Hillary, Brian Kiernan, Siobhan O'Connor, Fr Tony Gavin, Irene Mangan, Seamus Reddy, Kathleen & Harold Brady.....and all our dear departed loved ones.

November Altar List of the Dead: as we remember all our faithful departed we might all gather and recall our departed loved ones and put their names on our *Altar List of the Dead* to be remembered in the parish in various ways during the month of November. **List of the Dead** envelopes available at the back of the church to be taken home and returned to the church during the month of November.

November Indulgence - sin is a misuse of God-given human freedom and has consequences, in this world and the next. We have an instinctive sense that we need to put things right in many ways in life. If we leave this life with 'unfinished business': hurts not healed, forgiveness not extended, good left undone etc. then we need the prayers and support of those still living to make up the 'deficit' in our lives. An indulgence is the solidarity of the living, helping the departed on their onward journey of purification to the Kingdom of heaven.

Norms for gaining Indulgences for the Feast of All Souls – Monday 2nd November

From 12 noon on 1st November until midnight on 2nd November, all who have confessed and received Holy Communion can gain a plenary indulgence by visiting a church or oratory, and reciting the Apostles' Creed, one Our Father and one Hail Mary, or any other prayer for the Pope's intentions. This indulgence is applicable only to the souls of the departed. Confession may be made any time in the week preceding or following 1st November.

Holy Communion, as part of the indulgence, may be received any day from 1st to 8th November.

The faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Holy Souls, on the same conditions mentioned above, once per day from 1st to 8th November.

Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving – many thanks to all who contributed produce and arranged the display.

Confirmation Enrollment on 7th/8th November at 7pm Vigil and 11am Sunday Mass

The Annual Parish Safeguarding Audit is taking place in every parish in the diocese, to be returned to the Diocesan Office by 13th November. Fr Michael will meet the parish Safeguarding Reps to complete our audit.

Week of Witness for Persecuted Christians: One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity **Aid to the Church in Need** is organising a *Week of Witness* from November 15-22 to highlight their plight with an appeal to parishioners to pray for the suffering Church on '**Red Wednesday**' 18th November. More info at www.dioceseofmeath.ie/pastoral-resources-1 or www.acnireland.org

Catholic Mothers Ireland - *Leinster Retreat Day* on Saturday, 7th Nov, from 10am–6pm at Ely House. A day of prayer, reflection, and spiritual renewal. Guest speakers Fr Dominik Domagala, Dr Iva Beranek & Mrs Maria Steen. Lunch and refreshments provided. Cost: €50. Booking: www.catholicmothers.ie/retreats All welcome.

IPB Pride of Place Awards 2026 - Ratoath 2nd place in Ireland in the category of village/town with a population over 5,000. Congratulations to **Meadowbank Hill** on their 2nd placement in the rural estates category.

Ratoath Art and Craft Christmas Fayre at the Scouts' Den on Saturday 7th November 11am to 4pm. 40 stalls, raffles, food, Christmas gift ideas. Donations will be made to local charities.

Meath Dementia Cafe welcomes those living with dementia, their families and anyone interested in learning more about dementia. Next meeting on Wednesday 4th November 7pm - 9pm in Dunshaughlin Pastoral Centre where Dietitian, Ellen Curran, will speak about the importance of nutrition and healthy eating. All are welcome.

Offertory Collection for Sunday 25th October: €1,395.00
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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