

PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY, RATOATH, DIOCESE OF MEATH, 2025 AD

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Vigil – 7.00pm;

Sunday – 9.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm (*July & August – no 12.15pm Mass*)

Holy Days – 11.00am

Weekdays – Monday to Friday at 9.45am

Confessions: Before Vigil Mass

Baptisms: on the 1st and 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.

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15 TH JUNE – SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY		22 ND JUNE – FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI	
Saturday 7.00pm	Michael, Bobby & Annie Walls; The Doran Family; May Hessman; Special Intention	Saturday 7.00pm	Mary, James and Thomas O'Neill
Sunday 9.00am	Maura Kelly, 3 rd Anniversary	Sunday 9.00am	Pro populo – for the People of the Parish
11.00am	Maureen Breslin, 1 st Anniversary; Sinead Freeman 4 th Anniversary	11.00am	Sheilagh Millar, nee Brennan, 3 rd Anniversary; Cathal Dunlop, 27 th Anniversary; John, Christina, Sean and Lilly O'Connor Kathleen Kenny, 25 th Anniversary;
12.15pm	Mark Lawler, Month's Mind; Mary Mulvaney, 1 st Anniversary; Dee Cusack Fairbrother; Rita Martin; Ray Simon; William Jordan, 12 th Anniversary	12.15pm	Bernard Fisher & Michael Kelly; Pa & Julia and Lena Donnelly & dec fam mbrs

Rest in Peace: we commend to God the soul of **Sally Williams**, Cairn Court, whose Requiem Mass was offered on Friday; and **David Maher**, Ranelagh, brother of Paul Maher, Fairyhouse Road.

Weekday Mass Intentions: Tuesday- Special Intention

Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, Patronal Feast of our church and parish. Take time to study and contemplate the depiction of the Blessed Trinity in the altarpiece above the tabernacle and consider how impossible it is for us to pray without using the names and imagery of the Blessed Trinity. The church was built and consecrated in 1836, although work continued until 1845. Every church has a 'Title' given at the time of the consecration of the building and the altar and ours is that of the Holy Trinity, by which title there has been a church in Ratoath since the Middle Ages. The **Lorica** or **Breastplate** of St Patrick, which features on our parish website homepage, begins and ends with a powerful invocation of the Most Blessed Trinity...

I arise today

Through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity,

Through a belief in the Threeness,

Through a confession of the Oneness

Of the Creator of creation..

St. Patrick (ca. 377)

Anniversary Celebration, with joy and thanksgiving, this Trinity Sunday we welcome home Ratoath native Canon Patrick Browne, a Canon of Westminster Cathedral Chapter in London, who joins us to celebrate the 51st Anniversary of his ordination to priesthood with family, friends and parishioners at the I Am Mass.

Father's Day - we give thanks for our fathers and ask God to bless them with courage and compassion, gentleness and strength that they may be the best of fathers in all they say and do.

This Sunday is also designated as the annual **Day for Life** by the Bishops Conference. The particular theme and message this year is *hope in the face of human suffering*.

We pray that those who are sick or suffering, may draw strength from Jesus the Good Samaritan and the Holy Spirit our Comforter. May this spiritual strength encourage patient endurance in the face of difficulties and give true and certain hope in God's promises to us. We pray for those who support and promote the *Day for Life* and for the many initiatives funded by the Day for Life collections. May they see the fruits of their work in an ever-growing sense of the dignity of every human being from conception to natural death....

Best wishes to those still sitting their **Junior or Leaving Certificate Exams**. May they find favourable and supportive conditions at home to study and prepare well and approach the exams calm and confident.

A reminder that the **12.15pm Sunday Mass** is suspended for the months of July and August when so many people are on holiday. This offers a welcome respite to our musicians, cantors and clergy!

Corpus Christi - Sunday 22nd June: a possible procession around the church grounds will be discussed at the meeting of the Pastoral Council on Wednesday.

Pastoral Council meeting this Wednesday at the Parochial House. This will be the last meeting before a summer recess until the PPC meets again in September.

Pastoral Areas: to better serve pastoral and sacramental needs, with fewer priests available, every parish in the diocese of Meath is now part of a larger group called a **Pastoral Area (PA)**.

Our PA is Ratoath, Ashbourne, Dunshaughlin, Curragha, Ardagh/Clonalvy and Skryne.

Bishop Deenihan will meet representatives of the six Pastoral Councils of our Pastoral Area this Monday in the Pastoral Center in Dunshaughlin. One matter requiring immediate discussion is a review and restructuring of Vigil and Sunday masses in all the parishes of our Pastoral Area so that the available clergy can cover all mass times in the event of holidays or other circumstances in which a priest is absent from his parish. Consultation will take place in due course as all the parishes of our PA begin to work together on this important issue.

All-Night Prayer Vigil for Vocations to Priesthood in St Patrick's church, Trim, 21st June. Mass offered by Bishop Deenihan at 7pm, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the night until 9am on Sunday. If you can commit to one hour, please contact Pat 087 2587639/ Rita 085 7284600

Sacred Heart Crusade - Sunday 22nd June: Archbishop Eamon Martin will celebrate Mass in Knock Basilica at 3pm and make the Act of Consecration of Ireland to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Bus Leaving Sts Peter and Paul Church Dunboyne at 8.30am. Contact Yvonne (0872807133) to reserve a place.

Loughcrew Sunday – 29th June. Mass at 3pm at Loughcrew House, Oldcastle (Eircode A82 X4Y1) Come and celebrate the 400th Anniversary of the birth of St Oliver Plunkett in Loughcrew.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: Sunday 10th August. 2pm Rosary; 2.30 pm Anointing of the Sick at the Basilica; 3pm Mass followed by Benediction and Rosary Procession.

Bright Stars Summer Camp: a performing arts camp; singing, dancing + drama. 14th - 18th July. Ratoath Community Centre, 4-14 years. Contact Denise on 0857242481

Weekly collection: Offertory for 8th June - €1,485.00

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