

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. **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 & Raewan McKenna. Details on noticeboard in porch

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9 TH NOVEMBER – DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA		16 TH NOVEMBER – 33 RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
Saturday 7.00pm	Willie Kissane & Sandra Buttner; 28 th Anniv; Michael, Elizabeth & John Mulvany; Sean & Maureen Mullen	Saturday 7.00pm	Rita Graham, 1 st Anniversary, also her son Damian and husband Ray; Lorraine Herlihy, 1 st Anniversary
Sunday 9.00am	Peggy Farrell	Sunday 9.00am	Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish
11.00am	Maureen Breslin, 1 st Anniversary; Nora Wilson, 3 rd Anniversary; John McCarthy; Jack & Maggie Donnelly; Geraldine O'Reilly; Freddie Killian, 6 th Anniversary; Helen Reilly, 8 th Anniversary; Sean Glynn & Ciaran Kilcline and dec'd mbrs of Kilcline & Glynn families	11.00am	Damian Murray, Months Mind; Gerry Keogh Kathleen & Hugh Nally and dec'd family mbrs

RIP: we commend to God the soul **Denise Kelly**, Fairyhouse Lodge, whose funeral was on Friday.

Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday: Molly Devine; special intention; Mathilde & Tim Burns & dec'd mbrs of family; Marcella Kerins, Birthday.

Tues: dec'd mbrs of Ratoath Men's Shed. **Thursday:** dec'd mbrs of Ratoath Legion of Mary. **Friday:** Michael & Alice Hatch

****No morning mass this Wednesday as all priests of the diocese attend an annual conference****

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as usual from 10am to 7pm in the Family Room.

Confirmation Enrolment and Commitment Ceremony at the Vigil and 11am Mass this weekend.

Feast of the Lateran – an unusual feast occurs this Sunday, that of the *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*!

Though St Peter's and the Vatican are long associated with the Pope the actual Cathedral church of Rome, where the Pope has his *cathedra* or official seat as Bishop of Rome, is that of *St John Lateran* and the Popes lived in the adjacent Lateran Palace from the 5th to 15th century. So, we are celebrating the primacy of the Pope by honouring the church in which is the *cathedra* or seat from which he derives his divine and apostolic authority.

Pastoral Letter - The Future of our Parishes: Bishop Dennyhan's Pastoral Letter is addressed to all the clergy and faithful of the diocese. It emphasizes the importance of the parish structure, the implementation of the new Pastoral Areas, the provision of Sunday Mass, and plans for a future with a very different profile of clergy and changed demographics. All priests of the diocese gather this week for a conference on the implementation of the Pastoral Area structures and new Deaneries. Copies of the Pastoral are available at the back of the church.

November Altar List of the Dead: we continue to observe the pious custom of remembering all our departed loved ones and putting their names on our *Altar List of the Dead* to be remembered and prayed for in various ways in the parish 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 or parish office during the month of November.

Candlelit Choral Service for the Dead and Bereaved on Friday 21st November at 8pm

Pioneer Pledge for November – Would/Could you abstain from alcohol during November for the Holy Souls by taking the short-term Pioneer pledge? Call 087 133 48

40 Hours Adoration: To celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, there will be 40 Hours Adoration in the Cathedral, starting with Mass at 7:30 pm on Friday 21st November and concluding with Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm on Sunday 23rd. Our parish has been allocated the time of 3pm or 4pm on Saturday 22nd. Confessions will be heard from 12 noon to 12 midnight on Saturday. While each parish is assigned a particular hour of adoration, people are not restricted to their parish's hour. It is hoped that people from across the Diocese will come to the Cathedral during this time to pray for the Church, the diocese and our parish needs.

Pastoral Council Meeting – matters discussed include providing a cup of tea after the 11am Mass on the First Sunday of Advent; the great success of the Grow-in-Love parish programme in preparation for First Confession and Communion, and a review of mass times, Carol Services etc for Christmas.

The **Annual Parish Child Safeguarding Audit** was done by the two Safeguarding Reps and the PP on Friday. The Diocese has a system of governance that identifies clear procedures, accountability structures and quality assurance, in which roles and responsibilities are explicit. This requirement is in accordance with the Church's revised safeguarding policy. The annual parish self-audit helps in reviewing the implementation of safeguarding policy, compliance with procedures and highlights additional areas where training is needed.

Cemetery Wall: reconstruction work has begun after the major damage caused some weeks ago. As much material as possible will be salvaged and reused. An insurance claim was submitted to cover the cost.

St. Paul's N.S. open evening for enrolment on **Tues 25th November, 7pm to 8.30am**. An opportunity to view the school and meet staff & students. Register your interest at or 01-8257246.

The **Children's Choir** has started Christmas rehearsals every Tuesday at the Parish Pastoral Centre.

Ratoath Church Choir under the direction of **Miriam Mulrooney** are practising for Christmas every Tuesday at 6pm in the Parish Centre. New members welcome. For info contact the parish office.

Parish Folk Group Christmas Concert on Wednesday 17th December, 8pm in the church.
All Proceeds to Ratoath Alzheimer's Club. Tickets from Folk Group members or at the door.
Come along, enjoy the music, and support a great cause.

Christmas Charity Choir Concert on Thursday 11th December at 7.30pm in the parish church.
Proceeds to Irish Kidney Association.

Offertory Collection for 2nd November - € 2,080.00



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