

# 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 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

**Parish Office:** Monday and Friday 10am -1pm; Wednesday 2pm-5pm.

**Our Pastoral Area** is Ratoath, Ashbourne, Dunshaughlin, Curragha, Ardcath/Clonalvy & Skryne.

**Direct bank transfer** – Your donation can be transferred to:

**Account Name:** Ratoath Church Account No. 1

**IBAN:** IE33BOFI90318910247285 / **BIC:** BOFIE2D



27 <sup>TH</sup> JULY - SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		3 <sup>RD</sup> AUGUST - EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
<b>Saturday</b> 7.00pm	Patsy, Rita and Agnes McCabe; Patrick O'Sullivan, 13 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary; Rev John Cogan PP, 1948-1984, 41 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary	<b>Saturday</b> 7.00pm	Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b> 9.00am	Pro Populo – for the People of the Parish	<b>Sunday</b> 9.00am	Liam McLoughlin
<b>11.00am</b>	Sean McCabe, Month's Mind; Angela Walsh, Month's Mind; Sarah Brown; Jackie O'Sullivan; Andy & Alice Eiffe; Anne Card (nee Kelly) & husband Kerry who died in Canada this year	<b>11.00am</b>	Jimmy Ralph, 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary; Anne Egan, Month's Mind;

**Rest in Peace:** We commend to God the soul of **Dermot O'Sullivan**, whose Funeral took place on Monday; and **Mary Martin**, Well Road, whose Funeral mass will be offered on Monday at 11am.

**World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly** – this Sunday we honour, thank and pray for our elders and senior citizens for the role they play in our lives, families, parish and community.

**Jubilee of Youth: As “Pilgrims of Hope”** celebrating this Jubilee Year 2025 all roads are leading to Rome! Not everyone can make the pilgrimage to Rome, so around the diocese many parishes are undertaking local pilgrimages to Loughcrew and Clonard; Knock, Lough Derg and Croagh Patrick to mark this significant Jubilee Year in the Catholic Church worldwide. This week from 28<sup>th</sup> July – 4<sup>th</sup> August, a group of 38 pilgrims, **some from Ratoath**, with Bishop Deenihan, will represent the Meath Diocese in the Jubilee of Youth, which will culminate in the Jubilee Mass celebrated by Pope Leo XIV in Rome next Sunday. We keep these young pilgrims in our prayers as they join thousands from every corner of the world for this great witness to hope in the Lord. Check out this event on [www.vaticannews.va](http://www.vaticannews.va), [www.dioceseofmeath.ie](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie) and EWTN television.

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

**New Members for our Parish Pastoral Council** – in addition to the current elected members serving a term of four years there are a number of ‘vacancies’ on the PPC. If you think that you might like to be a member of the Council and feel that you have a positive contribution to make to the pastoral care of our parish, please contact Fr Michael Cahill directly or email the Parish Office at [ratoathparish@gmail.com](mailto:ratoathparish@gmail.com)

## **Our Parish Grounds - Explore their Potential**

The Parish Pastoral Council recognises that our extensive church grounds in Ratoath reflect the beauty of God's gift of the natural world. We would like to:

identify more fully the flora and fauna there at present;

consider how best to nurture it;

explore opportunities for creating a space for active involvement by all.

We invite anyone interested in finding out more to come to the church grounds on Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Aug at 7.30 pm.

12.15pm Sunday Mass suspended for July and August, when so many are on holiday. Thereafter, Mass times will be under review as each parish coordinates its Mass schedule with the other parishes of the Pastoral Area.

**Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration** in our parish church every Wednesday after 9.45am Mass until 7pm in the Family Room. If you have free or spare time for the summer months, think of spending an hour with the Lord for yourself and on behalf of your loved ones? Sign up to an hour or just turn up.

**Baptisms** on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month. Booking online and at the Parish Office.

**Confession**, before Vigil Mass and as needed, in the open confessional located at the back of the church.

**Parish Cemetery** – please keep dogs on a leash at all times and, when necessary, clean up after them out of respect for the dead and those who visit their graves on this holy ground in our parish.

**Ceili Catholic Community** in Kilbeggan is launching a *School of Missionary Discipleship* from September for young people aged 18-30. It's "tailor-made" for University and College Students since it only involves one weekend a month in-person with study materials given to read at home in-between each weekend. No assignments or exams. Each weekend free of charge to encourage participation.

The vision is to give university students - the leaders of tomorrow - an opportunity to meet, share and grow in faith and be trained to become "missionary disciples" in their life and career.

Email [school@ceilicommunity.net](mailto:school@ceilicommunity.net) or text mobile 087 9789150

**Young Adult (18-40 yrs) Retreat:** 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> August (Fri – Sun) at Our Lady of Silence Abbey, Roscrea.

Prayer with the monks, inspiring talks, friendship in faith, Mass, opportunity for personal guidance, confession, magnificent walks in beautiful grounds. An opportunity to discern one's path in life. Cost: Donation (Full board, own room) Contact: Sr Úna 090 648166 or Michael 086 2453123 or email: [youthretreats@gmail.com](mailto:youthretreats@gmail.com)

The **Community Centre** has invited the parish to get involved in a monthly **Multicultural initiative** in a series of events in the Community Centre in the coming Months. More information when available.

**Trip to Medjugorje this October:** Flying out on 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct for 7 nights, flying Aer Lingus to Dubrovnik, staying in the P.I.M.K House. Places available. Cost €855. Contact; Joan Ashbrook; 0877987682

**Meath Diocesan and Fr. Willie Doyle Pilgrimages to Knock** on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August led by Bishop Deenihan. Meath Diocesan Choir will be present led by Jim Walsh and Jane Lynch, organist.

**Light the Fire** - Come celebrate our Catholic faith on Slane - the hill where St Patrick lit the first Paschal fire in 433AD. A 'divine invitation' to witness the Archbishop of Armagh symbolically light the fire of faith, hope and love, first kindled by our patron saint. Dana will sing her song for St Patrick, *Light the Fire*. Gathering at noon on 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug for Mass, Eucharistic healing, praise, worship & Rosary. Info at [lightthefire.ie](http://lightthefire.ie) or email [info@lightthefire.ie](mailto:info@lightthefire.ie)

**Meath Archaeological and Historical Society** lecture on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> July. Details are as follows: "The Story of Old Mosney". Speaker: Colin Byrne. Venue: Bettystown Library, 7.30pm

**Weekly collection:** Offertory for 20<sup>th</sup> July - €1,475.00

Envelopes for the period ending 20<sup>th</sup> July: White **Envelopes** - €2,370.51: Blue **Envelopes** - €580.50

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