



## Parish Mission Statement

“ Inspired by the Life and Work of the Venerable Patrick Peyton CSC, we the people of Attymass Parish strive to build a Community that is rooted in Gospel Values and is deeply committed to the Mission of Jesus. ”

# NEWSLETTER

MONTH OF DECEMBER / JANUARY  
CHURCH DIARY THIS WEEK

VENUE	DATE	TIME	CELEBRATIONS AND INTENTIONS AND MEETINGS
Parish Church	Saturday 31st	7.30pm	The Vigil of the Solemnity Mary, The Holy Mother of God Anthony & Kathleen Tolan, Curradrish Patrick & Brigid, son Patrick Melody, Curradrish <b>(Facebook Live)</b>
Parish Church	Sunday 1st	10.30am	The Solemnity of the Mary, The Holy Mother of God: People of the Parish
Parish Church	Monday 2nd	<b>10.00am</b>	Michael Garrett, Ardrass <b>(Facebook Live)</b> .
Fr. Peyton Centre	Tuesday 3rd	12.15pm	Intentions of the Seniors Group <b>(Facebook Live)</b> .
Parish Church	Wednesday 4th	9.30am	Tom & Ann Mulherin, Ballycong
Parish Church	Thursday 5th	————	<b>No Morning Mass</b>
Parish Church	Friday 6th	7.30pm	The Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord <b>(Facebook Live)</b> .
Parish Church	Saturday 7th	7.30pm	The Vigil of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Patrick & Kathleen Gallagher, Madeline Niland, Currower Tony & Peggy, Conlon, Cullane <b>(Facebook Live)</b>
Parish Church	Sunday 8th	10.30am	The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord: People of the Parish

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**NEWSLETTER ITEMS:** Under GDPR, the protection of your personal data is important to us. We are happy to include your notice in our Parish Bulletin, but please ensure that you have received the consent of any persons referenced before submitting a notice to us. Please submit items by **Wednesday evening at 8pm**, via email ([attymassparish@achonrydiocese.org](mailto:attymassparish@achonrydiocese.org)) if possible and please include your contact details. Thank you.

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**Fr. Peyton Memorial Centre**  
Opening Hours: Monday to Friday  
9.30am to 5.30pm. Phone 096 45374.

**St. Feichin's National School**  
Telephone 096-45076  
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**PARISH AND DIOCESAN SAFE GUARDING**  
[www.achonrydiocese.org/diocesan-policy](http://www.achonrydiocese.org/diocesan-policy)  
**PARISH REPRESENTATIVES**  
Veronica Peyton and Padraic Walsh





### PLEASE PRAY FOR

We remember in our prayers all those whose anniversaries occur around this time and we also remember all who have passed away during the coronavirus pandemic. May they rest in peace.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

A sincere thanks to all who have handed in their contributions (the weekly envelopes) for the support of the parish. Please know that your support is very much appreciated and not taken for granted. Fr John

### SAFETY MEASURES

1. Please sanitise your hands as you enter the church.
2. People are encouraged to wear Face masks
3. Holy Communion will be distributed into the hand only
5. Newsletters are single use items. If you take one upon entering the Church, please bring it home – do not leave in the seats.
6. **There is no room in the sacristy to accommodate people due to Covid-19 regulations. Please wait in your seat if you wish to see me. Fr. John**

### PRIEST COLLECTION

Thanks to all who have contributed to the priest's Christmas collection. The amount received so far is €4,040 Please know that your support is very much appreciated and not taken for granted. Fr John

### ATTYMASS N.S.

Congratulations to the Pupils and Staff of Attymass N.S. for wonderful Nativity play which took place on Monday 19th December 2022.

Attymass National School reopens on **Thursday, 5th January**. We ask God's blessing upon Pupils, Teachers and Staff for 2023.

### SYNODAL TIMES

Synodal Times has been produced by the Irish Catholic and copies are available in the porch. These are free to take!!

### POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS

Pope Francis prayer intention for January: **Intention for Educators:** "We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all."

### PARISH STATISTICS

The Parish as 'A Family of Families' gathered together for different stages of people's journey's throughout 2022; some were happy occasions, while at others we gathered to express our solidarity with the loss of a loved one. We remember all whose stories are in these figures below:

**Baptisms 7,  
Weddings 4,  
Confirmation 0  
First Holy Communion 3  
Deaths 13**

### FR. PEYTON CENTRE

The Fr Peyton Centre re-opens 3rd January 2023 **9.30am – 5.30pm**. Phone 096 45374

### EPIPHANY ANNOUNCEMENT

Each year after the Gospel on the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, the important dates of the liturgical year are announced. The following are the dates for 2023:

**Ash Wednesday**

22nd February,

**Easter Sunday**

9th April,

**The Ascension of the Lord**

21st May,

**Pentecost Sunday**

28th May,

**Corpus Christi**

11th June,

**First Sunday of Advent**

3rd December.

### 6th JANUARY

Friday next is the 6th January, the Fast of Epiphany in Ireland known as Little Christmas **Nollaig na mBan**. Mass will be offered at **7.30pm** on the 6th January.

### BAPTISM.

We welcome into our Christian Community **Robyn Kate Naughton**, Cloonagun, Breaffy, who was baptised in our Parish Church on Sunday 18th December 2022. We ask God's blessing upon her and her family at this time.

### MOY DAVITTS

Congratulations to Anthony Ruane who won a jackpot of €300 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw of 17th December and congratulations to Ciara Kelly who won a jackpot of €618 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw 24th December. A huge thank you to everyone who supported last week's draw, it is greatly appreciated. Tickets are available in the usual retail outlets and by clicking <https://smartlotto.ie/Bohola-moy-davitts>

### NEW YEAR BLESSING

#### Beannacht (New Year blessing)

On the day when  
The weight deadens  
On your shoulders  
And you stumble,  
May the clay dance  
To balance you.  
And when your eyes  
Freeze behind  
The grey window  
And the ghost of loss  
Gets in to you,  
May a flock of colours,  
Indigo, red, green,  
And azure blue,  
Come to awaken in you  
A meadow of delight.  
When the canvas frays  
In the currach of thought  
And a stain of ocean  
Blackens beneath you,  
May there come across the waters  
A path of yellow moonlight  
To bring you safely home.  
May the nourishment of the earth be  
yours,  
May the clarity of light be yours,  
May the fluency of the ocean be yours,  
May the protection of the ancestors be  
yours.  
And so may a slow  
Wind work these words  
Of love around you,  
An invisible cloak  
To mind your life. *by John O'Donohue*

### PARISH MINISTRIES

#### SATURDAY 7th Jan. 2023

**Reader:** Mary Lavelle

**Eucharist:** Margaret Conlon

#### SUNDAY 8th Jan 2023

**Reader:** Noreen Quinn

**Eucharist:** Hugh McHugh

### BEATIFICATION PRAYER

Dear Jesus, the Venerable Patrick Peyton devoted his priestly life to strengthening the families of the world by calling them to pray together everyday, especially the Rosary. His message is as important for us now as it was during his life on earth. We beg you, therefore, to hasten the day of his beatification, so that your faithful people everywhere will remember his message that *the family that prays together stays together*, will imitate him in his devotion to your Mother and ours, and will be inspired by his holy life to draw ever closer to you with childlike confidence and love. Amen