MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church) (Saturday, 26th Sept. - Sunday, 4th October)

Saturday: Tommy Gardiner & deceased of Gardiner family, 6.30 p.m.

Johnny Faller & deceased of Faller family

Sunday: 9.00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

> 10.30 a.m. Pauline butler

12 noon Michael Hogan, Willie Carty, Eileen & James Hogan

Monday: 9.30 a.m.

> "NOVENA" 7.30 p.m.

> > Patrick Power (Month's Mind)

Tuesday: 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday: 9.30 a.m.

Thursday: 9.30 a.m.

Friday: 9.30 a.m.

> 7.30 p.m "SHARED MASS"

> > Jackie & Christine Harvey, Myra McCabe &

Jack & Elizabeth Henry.

Saturday: 9.30 a.m James O'Neill (Month's Mind)

> Canon Paddy Murray 6.30 p.m.

Sunday: 9.00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

> 10.30 a.m Tommy Caulfield (Month's Mind) Mattie Shine (1st Anniversary) 12 noon

REST IN PEACE

PADDY McCANN, R.I.P., Baylough

ANNIE MURRAY, R.I.P., St. Coman's Park

PATSY BEAUMONT, R.I.P., Connaught Gardens.

May God grant them eternal rest and comfort and console their bereaved families relatives and friends.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, July 19th...... € 2122.00 MAINTENANCE COLLECTION: € 770.00



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TWENTY SIXTH **SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

27th SEPTEMBER 2015



At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me." - Mk 9:38-39

Excerors from the Lectionary for Mass 82001, 1998, 1978 CCI

REFLECTION - Welcoming the Outsider

Last Sunday Jesus reminded us to give witness to him by welcoming others. We are invited to see his face in every person, especially the defenceless. Today's gospel goes a little bit further and challenges us to widen our hearts to those whom we consider to be the outsiders, those who are different and those whom we do not fully understand.... Those from Syria, Afghanistan.... They desperately need our help!. It's easy to name as the outsider the other person or group who looks different to us, and speaks differently from us. Many of these good people (whom we might unashamedly call the outsider or foreigner) co-exist with us peacefully and quietly. In fact, walking through some parts of Dublin, it is easy to actually know what it means to feel an outsider And for a small space of time, you become the outsider who looks different from others and speaks differently from them. So perhaps today for a small space of time we might view ourselves from God's viewpoint.... A type of Google-God earth view. From that perspective, there are no outsiders or foreigners. In our presence. **P.S.** It's encouraging to hear that the one who was so against welcoming the outsider was the beloved disciple. At the close of his own life John was distinguished for his capacity to love and welcome others (Kathryn Williams pddm)

Pope Francis reminds us that this interior pilgrimage begins in prayer: "for a disciple, the first thing is to be with the Master, to hear and learn from him. And it always goes on, for the journey lasts a lifetime. If the warmth of God is not in our hearts, God's own love and tenderness, how can we poor sinners

HARVEST COLLECTION FOR PARISH CLERGY - 3rd & 4th OCTOBER.

Envelopes will be distributed to all Area collectors during the week and will also be available at the back of the Church. You generosity is greatly appreciated.



Thank you very much for your loving hospitality, care and love in every way. It was a great blessing to be with you all. A special word of thanks to Bishop Kevin, Canon Liam, all the parish clergy, the sisters, and every one of you. Please say a word of prayer for me. I assure you all my humble prayers. You are very welcome to Rome.

Fr. Thomas Kulandaisamy (0039/3314037867/thomaskmsfs@gmail.com)

DIOCESAN PARISH DEVELOPMENT & RENEWAL GATHERING takes place in Boyle on Sat. October 10th. See wwwelphindiocese.ie/gathering for programme.

ATHLONE JOINT PARISHES SPECIAL BINGO will take place on Sunday 4th October in Dean Crowe Theatre and St. Mary's Hall. Over €3,400 in prizes. €1,000 jackpot must be won on the night. Starting at 8 p.m. sharp.

DRUM MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	26th	8 p.m.	Teresa & Patrick Murray, Culfatha
Sun.	27th	10 a.m.	Mary & Bernard Gillick, Cornafulla

Mon. 28th No Mass

Tues. 29th 7 p.m. Private Intentions

Wed. 30th 7 p.m. Patrick & Mary Egan, Clonark & deceased family

Thur. 1st 7 p.m. Mary McManus, Clonrulla Fri. 2nd 7 p.m. Margaret Curley, Clonellan

Sat. 3rd .8 p.m. Pat & Mary Ellen Duignan, Doohan

Sun. 4th 10 a.m. Mary Ann & Tommy Lennon, Meehambee.

Servers: Saturday, 3rd October: - Team 7 Sunday, 4th October:- Team 1.

Drum Foróige Club will resume on Friday, 2nd Oct in Drum Parish Hall

from 8 - 10 p.m. You can come and register on the night.

Ages 12 - 18 most welcome. Come and support your local Club.

Roscommon Support People with Special Needs Church Gate Collection this weekend Sat. 26th & Sun. 27th September. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 21st Sept.

€200: Mary Donohoe; €50: Michelle Redmond & Larry Caulfield & €30: Seán Connolly.

Independent People with Disabilities will be holding their church gate collection at St. Brigid's Church, Drum, on Saturday evening 10th & Sunday,11th October 2015. We thank you for your support.

Oil Painting/Watercolour classes for kids, teens and adults with artist Rob Quinn. Courses starting soon in October. Tel. Rob at 086-0521357 or e-mail robpaulquinn@gmail.com

TABLE QUIZ IN AID OF BREAST CANCER RESEARCH on Thur. Oct. at 8 p.m. in the Bounty, Athlone. Finger food and raffle on the night with a variety of prizes kindly donated by local businesses. Table of 4 €40 per table. Please support

St. Joseph's FC...... Training will commence for under 7 boys on Sat 3rd Oct from 10 a.m. - 11 am. And for under 6 boys on Sunday 4th Oct. from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. on Astro Turf pitch in Cushla

ATHLONE SAMARITANS need additional volunteers to maintain their befriending service. No experience necessary as training provided. If interested call or text 0852845010.

CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 27th September Dan Grenham (1st Anniversary)

Friday, 2nd October Margaret Dunning, New Row, Clonown