

MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church)

(Saturday, 11th June - Sunday, 19th June)

Saturday:	6.30 p.m.	Rose Bannon (1st Anniversary)
Sunday:	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Margaret & Patrick Duff
	12 noon	James & Kate Moran & deceased family members
Monday:	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
	7.30 p.m.	"NOVENA" James & Lily Earley & Paddy Kelly
Tuesday:	9.30 a.m.	Joe Blackweir - Anniversary Mass Larry Blackweir - Remembrance Mass
Wednesday:	9.30 a.m.	Joseph Lehane
Thursday:	9.30 a.m.	Nicola Shaw
Friday:	9.30 a.m.	Thanksgiving mass
	7.30 p.m.	"SHARED MASS" Oliver Francis (1st anniversary), Sarah Smith (nee Ward), Marguerite Moriarty, Julie O'Donoghue, James & Julia O'Donoghue, Catherine Farrelly, Seán Killeen, Paddy Molloy & Pat Flynn
Saturday:	9.30 a.m.	Angela Cunningham (1st Anniversary)
	6.30 p.m.	Patrick Ganly
Sunday:	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Kieran Hynes
	12 noon	Larry & Martina Hayes (1st Anniversary)

REST IN PEACE

BABY CIARA GAVIN, R.I.P. , Monksfield, Athlone
TOM MOORE, R.I.P., St. Paul's Tce.; **VINCENT NOLAN, R.I.P.**, Arcadia;
ALISON CORRIGAN, R.I.P., Tormey Villas.; **SEÁN McCANN, R.I.P.**, Monksland.

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

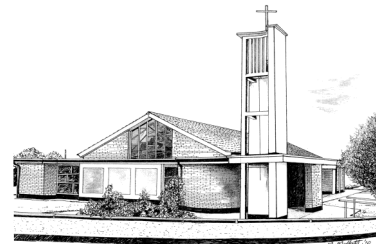
OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, 5th June..... €1820



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Newsletter

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY
 IN ORDINARY TIME**
12th JUNE 2016



"Do you see this woman? When I entered your house, you did not give me water for my feet, but she has bathed them with her tears and wiped them with her hair...So I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven because she has shown great love."

— Lk 7:44b, 47a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

REFLECTION - Welcoming People

I may be biased, but my mother was one of the most welcoming people I knew. She had a gift of making you feel appreciated and loved. I'm proud to say that I haven't yet met anyone who left her presence without feeling renewed and encouraged.



As I read today's gospel I thought about people like Mum and how they make a big difference to the lives of others. The fact that today we are listening to the story of a woman who welcomed Jesus with such lavish affection is proof that he valued people like her very, very highly. She made a difference to his life. He welcomed her gestures too. Jesus responded to appreciation and love. He was renewed and encouraged by it. Actually, we could say that the notion of a living welcome is at the heart of the Gospel. A loving heart and a welcoming heart are identical twins.

Sadly, Simon hadn't grasped this. He didn't really *know* his guest all that well and maybe his life had seldom been brightened by even minor displays of affection. Simon is a reminder to us that within our own hearts there are spaces and places that need to get to know Jesus better. I like to think that when Jesus met him subsequently, things were very, very different
(Kathryn Williams pddm)

MONKSLAND COMMUNITY MASS will be held in Monksland Community Centre on Thursday, 16th June at 8 p.m. Tea & scones afterwards. All welcome.

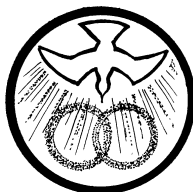
PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL - Bishop Kevin invites lay people to apply for a new ministry in the Diocese, Volunteer Catechist. Successful applicants will undergo a four year training and formation programme mission with the priests and parish communities. More information : see www.elphindiocese.ie

9 p.m Friday 17th June: Special Open air Mass and Pattern prayers at Clonmacnois Ruins followed by night Vigil in Cluain Chiarain Centre with Eucharist Adoration. Mass in honour of the Holy Spirit is offered for the people of the general surrounding area of Clonacnois and victims and families affected by suicide. Finishes at 2.10 a.m. All welcome enquiries Dave 085-7746763

ELPHIN DIOCESAN ASSISTED PILGRIMS TO LOURDERS COLLECTION
Will take place inside Ss. Peter & Paul's Church this weekend 11th & 12th June. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

GILLIAN STACEY & ANTHONY EARLEY
NIAMH BOYD & JOHN GRIFFIN
NOREEN MANNION & FERGAL WALSH
MICHELLE QUINN & DAVID DULLY



May they be blessed with a long and happy life together.

DRUM MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 11th 8 p.m. Jackie Gately, Newtown Drum
Sun. 12th 10 a.m. Kay Coyle, late of Hill of Berries
Mon. 13th - Wed.15th No Mass
Thur. 16th 7 p.m. Rose Lawless, Cornafulla South
Fri. 17th 7 p.m. Kathleen Henry, Johnstown
Sat. 18th 10.30 a.m. Julia Ann Heneghan, sister of Tm Lennon, Curryroe
Sat. 18th 8 p.m. Kathleen Dunning, Ardkeenan
Sun. 19th 10 a.m. Anthony Whyte, Thomastown

Servers: Saturday, 18th June: Team 7, Sunday 19th June: Team 4.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL - Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from Thur. 7th - Sun. 10th July 2016. This is a 4 day celebration of faith for your people aged 16-35. There is an action packed programme of inspiring talks, workshops, testimonies, prayer, music, drama and much more. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from all around Ireland to book Tel. 01-6753690 or see www.youth2000.ie for more information

VOCATIONS TO DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD: Many people are making career decisions at this time of year. If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood and would like to serve in the Elphin Diocese, please contact Fr. Jim at 071-9162136 or Fr. John at 071-9662012 for more information

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK will take place on Sunday, 21st Aug. 2016.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 7th JUNE
€200: Chrissie & the grandchildren, €50: Michael Mulvey & €30: Benny Hunter

A Special Mass for Healing at Our Lady Star of the Sea Prayer Centre, Curraghboy on Mon. 13th June (Feast of St. Anthony) at 8 p.m.. Celebrant: Fr. John Walsh. Evening will include the Blessing of Lillies, Holy Water and Salt and novena prayers. All welcome. Details 0864054489

Athlone Tidy Towns are planning a litter pick and general tidy up in all areas and on approach roads to the town on Wed. evening 15th June from 7 - 9 p.m. Coordinators will provide bags and gloves and information on assembly points. Bags will be removed when tidy up is complete. Volunteers are needed in all areas. Tel. 087-6305973, 087-2888344, 087-9035206 or your local residents group.

CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday : 12th June Joe Egan, Curnaboll
Sunday : 19th June Pat ward, Clonown & Donegal