

Ss. Peter & Paul's Parish Athlone, Clonown & Drum

Parish Newsletter

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
20th AUGUST 2017

MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church) (Saturday, 19th August - Sunday 27th August)

Saturday:	6.30 p.m.	Seamus & Terry Bleakley
Sunday:	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	John, Bridget & Patrick Halligan
	12 noon	James, Desmond & Margaret Whelan
Monday:	9.30 a.m.	Michael & Margaret Curley & John & Margaret Brennan
	7.30 p.m.	"NOVENA" Eileen Sheridan (Month's Mind) Tommy Caulfield
Tuesday:	9.30 a.m.	Tommy Curley
Wednesday:	9.30 a.m.	John, Paddy & Annie McGrath
	(Mass of the Angels) 7.30 p.m.	Peter & Joan Lynam, Mike & Wendy Dunleavey
Thursday:	9.30 a.m.	Catherine (Ciss) Devine
Friday:	9.30 a.m.	Paddy Walsh
	7.30 p.m.	"SHARED MASS" Mary & Paddy Gaffey & decd. of Gaffey & Ward families, Patrick Egan, Sheila Quain, Lily Murtagh, Mary Cochrane Michael & Maura Smith, Bridie & Michael Harkins & deceased of Cunningham & Harkins families, Jonathan Campbell, Larry Berrigan, Tommy Berrigan, Lily Berrigan, Pat & Kieran Fallon, Steven Doran, Edith & Barry Doyle and deceased of the Doyle family & Mary Rattigan
Saturday:	9.30 a.m.	Kathleen Ward
	6.30 p.m.	John Sherlock
Sunday:	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Jimmy Byrne & Kevin Byrne
	12 noon	Pat & Teresa Fennell

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"It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters". Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt. 15:26-28

REST IN PEACE

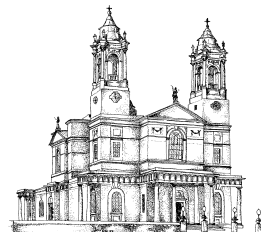
KIERAN KENNY R.I.P. Cedarwood Drive

ANGELA WARD R.I.P. Church St.

PATRICK TURLEY R.I.P. Baylin

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

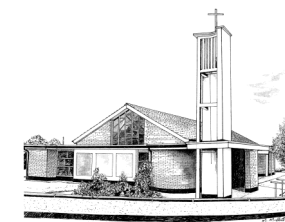
OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, August 13th..... € 1947.00



Ss. Peter & Paul's Church,
Athlone



St. Brigid's Church,
Drum



Church of Our Lady of the
Wayside, Clonown

REFLECTION

Gentiles are no longer outsiders. Isaiah proclaims that they are welcomed to the holy mountain, and Paul affirms them as his favourites, despite the jealousy of some Jews. Even though Jews are taught to despise Gentiles for their unholy ways, Jesus finally gives this Gentile woman high praise and heals her daughter.

FIRST READING Isaiah 56:1,6-7)

Even foreigners will be welcomed to salvation; all peoples will be accepted into the house of prayer.



SECOND READING (Romans 11;13-15,29-32)

Paul is the apostle to the Gentiles, and he intensifies that ministry to show that God is equally merciful to the Gentiles and the Jews.

GOSPEL (Matthew 15:21-28)

The faith of this Gentile woman, who is turned away by the disciples, earns her not only a cure for her daughter but also a high compliment from Jesus, despite his first impression of her.

KNOCK SHRINE - NATIONALNOVENA 2017: Join us for nine days of reflection and prayer for the National Novena to Our Lady of Knock from 14th - 22nd August. Ceremonies will take place daily at 3 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. with daily guest speakers and workshops to enrich and enliven your faith. On **Monday 21st August** we will celebrate the launch of the world Meeting of Families 2018 programme. See the full programme and schedule of speakers at www.knockshrine.ie/novena2017.

Elphin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock led by Bishop Kevin Doran will be held to-day (Sunday) with Mass at 3 p.m. at the Shrine.

Annual Mass of the Angels

We invite you to join us in Ss. Peter & Pauls Church, Athlone, for our annual Mass of the Angels On Wednesday August 23rd 2017 at 7.30 pm. This Mass is an opportunity to acknowledge, remember and pray for all babies / children who have died at any stage of life. We will have a helium balloon release after the mass.

Those who have lost a baby / child will have the opportunity to write a message on their balloon prior to all being released together.

Please let anyone you feel might benefit from attending the mass know. All are welcome no matter how long it is since the death of your baby / child.

HEARTFULNESS MEDITATION is a free practice which helps to promote health and well-being. There will be a free talk and experience of Heartfulness Meditation at the public Library in Athlone town centre on Thur. 24th Aug. from 7 - 8 p.m. All are very welcome to attend and no prior booking is required.

DRUM MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 19th 8 p.m. Pake & Agnes O'Brien, also deceased family, Creggane
Sun. 20th 10 a.m. Joe Gilgan, formerly of Thomastown
Mon. 21st - Thur. 24th No Mass
Fri. 25th 7 p.m. Bernard Kelly and deceased family, Rooskey
Sat. 26th 8 p.m. James Lennon, Summerhill
Sun. 27th 10 a.m. Michael O'Loughlin, Rockfield.

Drum Community Care Committee - the **Annual Senior Citizens Mass** will take place in Drum Parish hall on Friday 25th August at 3 p.m. followed by light refreshments and music. All Senior citizens are invited to attend.

An informal evening discussing the rich heritage of Drum, Monksland, Bealnamulla and Taughmaconnell will be held in Athlone Springs Hotel on Tues. Aug. 22nd at 8 p.m. No charge. Tel. 0872128842 to book. Organized by Monksland town Team in conjunction with Drum Heritage.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION.....Please consider committing to a weekly hour of prayer in Chapel of Adoration, Castle St. Athlone, People needed from Mon 2am and 6am, Tues.2am and 5am, Wed. 4am, Sat. 6am, Midnight Wed night to Thurs 1am, midnight Thurs night to Fri 1am. Please contact Liturgical Centre, Athlone at 0906492278

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 14th August:

€200: Fred Carney €50:Joe & Phil Buckley & €30: Lily O'Connor

AFTERNOON TEA DANCE in aid of St. Luke's in Shamrock Lodge Hotel on Sun. Sept. 3rd. Dancing from 4 - 7 p.m. Music by Andy Feery. Tickets €8. For further information Tel. 0872842485.

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

**JAMES MICHAEL TUMULTY
EDWARD GAVIN**

CONGRATULATIONS TO THEIR PARENTS.



CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. 20th **CEMETERY SUNDAY**
Sun. 27th Dan Grenham.