

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church)
(Saturday, 23rd September - Sunday 1st October)**

Saturday: 6.30 p.m. Thomas Lacey

Sunday: 9.00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish
10.30 a.m. John & Bessie Harrington & deceased of Barlow & Harrington families
12 noon Michael Hogan, William Carty. Eileen & James Hogan

Monday: 9.30 a.m. Teasia & Jackie Gribbin
7.30 p.m. **"NOVENA"**

Tuesday: 9.30 a.m. Private Intention

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Thursday: 9.30 a.m. Private Intention

Friday: 9.30 a.m. Thanksgiving mass
7.30 p.m. **"SHARED MASS"**
Canon Paddy Murray, Marie Tobin & Johnnie Faller, Tommy Gardiner & deceased of The Gardiner & Faller families

Saturday: 9.30 a.m. Michael Greaney (Month's Mind)
6.30 p.m. Philomena Daly (1st Anniversary)

Sunday: 9.00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish
10.30 a.m. Arthur & Angela McCarrick
12 noon Joe Bigley

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Nora Elizabeth Murray

Ben Keegan

CONGRATULATIONS TO THEIR PARENTS.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, September 17th 19th..... €2,038.00

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

Parish Newsletter

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
24th SEPTEMBER 2017**

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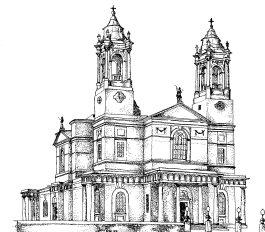


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"Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?" Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

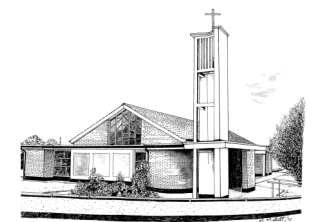
(Mt.20:1-16)



**Ss. Peter & Paul's Church,
Athlone**



**St. Brigid's Church,
Drum**



**Church of Our Lady of the
Wayside, Clonown**

REFLECTION

Paul sees nothing but good coming from his fate - whether he lives and keeps encouraging the established churches to grow, or dies and experiences the joy of being with Christ. Either way he wins. Isaiah encourages us to seek our God; no matter what evil is in our past, God will still forgive us and welcome us. No matter what, we will win. Jesus tells us that it does not matter when we join up to do the work of God's vineyard - whether we join early or late - either way we win. That's how generous God is.

FIRST READING (Isaiah 55:6-9)

Isaiah says that God's way are not what is usually expected. God will always be there when called upon.



SECOND READING (Philippians 1:20-24,27)

In prison and facing possible execution, Paul compares the relative value of staying alive and working with the value of dying and being glorified with Christ.

GOSPEL (Matthew 20:1-16)

Jesus tells the parable of the vineyard owner and the workers. Everyone receives a full day's wage, even those who work only the last hour.

CONFIRMATION DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dean Kelly, St Peter's & Summerhill N.S.	Tuesday 24th April at 11 a.m. SS. Peter & Paul's Church
Ardkeenán & Cornafulla N.S.	Tuesday 24th April at 4 p.m. - Drum
Cloonakilla & Clonown N.S.	Wednesday 25th April at 11 a.m. SS Peter & Paul's Church.

COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF EAST GALWAY & MIDLANDS

CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE, Brackernagh, Ballinasloe in the home of **Kevin & Mary Flynn, Ballydangan** on **Friday 29th Sept. from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

THE MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS in our Parish. Country and all over the world takes place in SS Peter & Paul's Church after the 9.30 a.m. Mass every Thursday and would be most grateful for anyone interest to join us. Requested by Our Blessed Mother.

Irish Heart Health Checks 2017 - in Monsignor McCarthy FRC on Wed. 25th Oct. . Anyone interested in availing of this service please contact The Centre on 0906494336 to book your time slot. Very limited time slots available so get your appointment secured ASAP

A special Mass for Healing in Our Lady Star of the Sea Prayer Centre, Curraghboy, Athlone on Fri. 29th Sept. (Feast of the Holy Archangels) at 8 p.m. Celebrant Fr. Thaddeus Doyle. All welcome. Contact 0864054489

DRUM MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 23rd	8 p.m.	Mary & Patrick Egan & decd family, Clonark
Sun. 24th	10 a.m.	John & Mary Naughton & decd family, Clonellan
Mon. 25th		No Mass
Tues. 26th	7 p.m.	Margaret (Peggy) Lennon, Summerhill (Month's Mind)
Wed. 27th	7 p.m.	Private Intentions
Thur. 28th		No Mass
Fri. 29th	7 p.m.	Margaret Curley, Clonellan
Sat. 30th	11 a.m.	Frances Watson, Newtown, Bealnamulla Month's Mind
Sat. 30th	8 p.m.	Bridig (Bea) McManus, Ardnanure
Sun. 1st	10 a.m.	Sonny & Bridget Lawless & decd. family, Cornafulla St.

County Roscommon Disability Support Group would like to **THANK** the parishioners for their contributions to the recent church gate collection - a total of €75.70 was collected.

CROCHET/KNITTING CLASSES - Learn to knit & crochet with Anne Marie Griffin (Qualified Tutor) at Zipyard, Irishtown, Athlone Tues. & Wed. or Thur. evenings from 7-9 p.m. Small classes, individual attention assured. Booking essential. Contact 0868053467.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 18th September::
€200: Sarah Egan €50: "Out of Luck" & €30: Avril, Paddy & Jack

ROSCOMMON SOLSTICE CHOIR doesn't usually fund-raise for itself, but in order to help defray some of the cost of hall hire, insurance bus hire, photocopying etc. Normally borne by members, a concert will be held in The Hodson Bay Hotel at 8 p.m. on Sun. 24th Sept. Special guests are Frankie McDonald and St. Brigid's Community Choir from Kiltoom. Please come out and support our efforts to keep doing what we love to do - over €150,000 raised for charity in four years!

CONGRATULATIONS ON THEIR RECENT WEDDING TO:

Roseanne Moore	& Daine Gilligan
Paulina Pawlowska	& Artur Szweda
Ronan Gavin	& Pamela Carolan
Kayleigh O'Doherty	& Aaron Carty
Shona Larkin	& Paul Brennan



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

CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. 24th Sept.	Sonny & Kathleen Cunningham, Oldtown, Clonown
Sun. 1st Oct.	John & Nancy Ward, Curnaboll.