

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church)  
(Saturday, 2nd September - Sunday 10th September)**

<b>Saturday:</b>	6.30 p.m.	Martin Coleman (1st Anniversary)
<b>Sunday:</b>	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	John & Esther Costello & Esther Farrell
	12 noon	Sheila & Tom Begley
<b>Monday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Elizabeth Connelly
	7.30 p.m.	<b>"NOVENA"</b> Frank & Patricia Judge & Joan Knight
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	- -
<b>Wednesday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	- -
<b>Thursday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Nuala & Don McManus and deceased family members
<b>Friday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	- -
	7.30 p.m.	<b>"SHARED MASS"</b> Philomena O'Brien, Mixie Galvin, Una McNiff, Maeva McNiff & deceased of Caulfield & McNiff families
<b>Saturday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Jack Bridget & Joe Brazil
	6.30 p.m.	Frank & Maureen Sherlock
<b>Sunday:</b>	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Mary & Tom Gill
	12 noon	Patrick Murray & Teresa, Culfatha & deceased Family members

**REST IN PEACE**

**RITA DILLON R.I.P.**.. Connaught Gardens  
**MICHAEL GREANEY R.I.P.** Summerhill  
**THERESA NORTON (Nee McGowan) R.I.P.** Clonbrusk, Coosan  
**MARGARET (Peg) LENNON R.I.P.** Sumemrhill  
**CHRISTY SHINE, R.I.P.** Bloomfield Drive  
**FRANCIS WATSON R.I.P.** Bealnamulla

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

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, August 27th..... €1,820**

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

**Parish Newsletter**

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
3rd SEPTEMBER 2017**

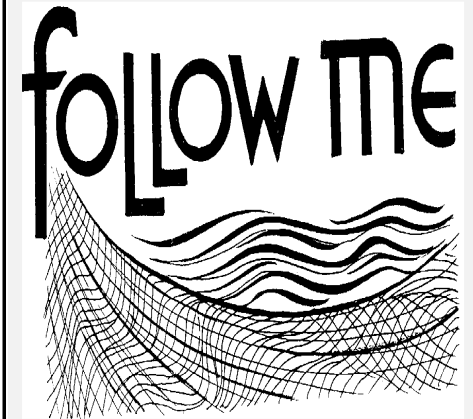
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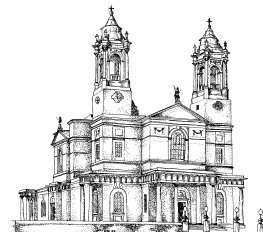
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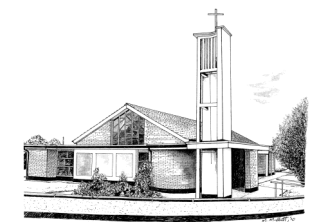
**"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?"**



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



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



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

**REFLECTION**

Peer pressure is tough on any person, of any age and in any age. It is tough on Jeremiah, who is mocked and humiliated. It is tough on Paul and the early church. It is tough on Peter and Jesus. But the message is clear: To be a disciple, we must pick up our cross and carry it. We must lose our life if we wish to save it. Discipleship is not easy but it is the only way.

**FIRST READING (Jeremiah 20:7-9)**

Burdened by the hardships of following God's way, Jeremiah complains of how difficult his life is. Yet he admits that he cannot help but continue. God's love burns in him, and he must respond.

**SECOND READING (Romans 12:1-2)**

Paul asks the disciples in Rome to take a clear look at how they live and not to let the influences of their culture stop them from doing the right thing.

**GOSPEL (Matthew 16:21-27)**

Peter does not want Jesus to go forward into Jerusalem and suffer. Jesus rebukes him and warns the disciples about the difficulty of true discipleship.

**Monkland Community Mass**

The September Community Mass will be held on Thursday evening next September 7th in Monkland Community Centre at 8 pm, followed by Tea, Scones & Friendly chat. All are welcome

**ST PETER'S ACTIVE RETIRMENT ASSOCIATION.....**After summer recess St. Peter's ARA, which is affiliated to Active Retirement Ireland will resume its weekly meetings on Wed. 13th Sept. at 3 p.m. Members meet on Wednesdays from 3 - 5 p.m. in St. Peter's Parish Centre(in the grounds of the Dean Crowe theatre), Chapel St. and takes part in a number of activities during the year. New members are always welcome

Monthly meeting of **WIDOWS ASSOCIATION** on Wed. 6th Sept. at 8 p.m. in Shamrock Lodge Hotel. New members welcome.

**SOUTH WESTMEATH ANNUAL HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING** takes place on Thurs. 14th Sept. In Sheraton Hotel from 10.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. For information on how to host your own coffee morning or to donate baked goods to our event please email us at [info@southwestmeathospice.ie](mailto:info@southwestmeathospice.ie).

**GRETB ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE MONKISLAND** - Registration Day for part-time course on Thurs. 7th Sept. **ALL COURSES ARE FREE.** Registration times: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. or 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. or 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. For further information contact Caroline Naughton Tel. 0870645938. email [caroline.naughton@gretb.ie](mailto:caroline.naughton@gretb.ie)

**ATHLONE LITTLE THEATRE PRESENTS - *The Second Mrs. Tanqueray.*** It will run nightly at 8 p.m. from Friday, Sept. 15th - Fri. Sept. 22nd at Athlone Little Theatre, St. Mary's place. For online bookings see [www.athlonelittletheatre.ie](http://www.athlonelittletheatre.ie) or phone 0906474324

**DRUM MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat. 2nd	8 p.m.	Patrick & Annie Kilroy, Clonbulia
Sun. 3rd	10 a.m.	Mass
Mon. 4th		No Mass
Tues. 5th		No Mass
Wed. 6th	7 p.m.	James Duffy, and his son Frank, Clonark
Thur. 7th		No Mass
Fri. 8th	7 p.m.	Paddy Joe Connor and deceased family, Clonark
Sat. 9th	8 p.m.	Tom Naughton, Johnstown
Sun. 10th	10 a.m.	Mass in cemetery for the deceased(weather permitting)

**DRUM I.C.A.** will recommence on Tues. 5th Sept. at 8 p.m. in Drum Parish hall. All members are requested to attend and new members are most welcome.

**CLANN NA NGAEL ANNUAL CAKE SALE** will be held on Sunday Sept. 10th from 11 a.m. Please come along and pick up something delicious!

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

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 28th August :**  
€200: Vera & Gerard €50: "Up Mayo" & €30: Carol Mulvihill

**ATHLONE FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB.....**Flower arranging demonstration by Anne Murphy. Theme: Autumn - on Tues. Sept. 5th at 8 p.m. in the Bounty. All welcome.

**Dr Stevens Resource Centre** is currently offering various courses. Places are limited. Tel. 0906473001 to secure a place

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HAPPY COUPLES:

*KAREN McMANUS & GEOFFREY ROONEY  
DERMOT KELLY & CAROL FEERY*



MAY THEY BE BLESSED WITH A LONG AND HAPPY LIFE TOGETHER.

**CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun. 3rd	Paddy Dunning, Ballinaculla
Sun. 10th	Jim, Kate & Mike Gavin.