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

**Saturday: (JD)** 6.30 p.m. Angela Tymon

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

(MH) 10.30 a.m. James and Margaret Maylnn

(MH) 12 noon Pat Gavin

**Monday:** 9.30 a.m. Michael & Margaret Corley

7.30 p.m. "**Novena**"

Gerry & Owen Caldwell, Johnny Naughton

**Tuesday:** 9.30 a.m. No Intention **Wednesday:** 9.30 a.m. No Intention

**Thursday:** 9.30 a.m. Deceased members of the Ronan Family

**Friday:** 9.30 a.m. No Intention

7.30 p.m. "**SHARED MASS**"

Maura McManus,; Liam Hynes; Thomas Curley; Annie Curley; Mary Curley

Geraghty; Frank Kerins; Peter, Mary & Thomas Mullins; Mary Kate Mullins; Paddy & Bridie Comer; Michael Comer; Jim, Norie & Liam Horan; Richie Molloy; John Wykes; Eamon & Mattie Duggan; Mary & Fr. Peter Mocklair; Brendan, Gus Tom-joe & Mammie Lyons; Tessie Guinan; Breda Caulfield; Dermot O'Neill; Gerry Caudwell; Nellie Greeney; Dorby Greeney; Bridget & Patrick Walsh; Paddy Johnie & Winnie Cullinane

**Saturday:** 9.30 a.m John O'Neill

(MH) 6.30 p.m. Elizabeth Lynch (1st Anniv)

**Sunday: (PN)** 9.00 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

(JD) 10.30 a.m John & Bessie Harrington & Decd. Barlow &

Harrington Families

(JD) 12 noon Brenda Madden

We remember those who have died recently, Tom Lacey, Magazine Road; Margaret McManus St. Coman's Park; Dave Rohan Hillquarter, Coosan & William Hogan, Jolly Mariner. May they rest in peace.

#### **Recent Wedding**

We congratulate Amanda Marshall & Colm Moran on their recent wedding in Ss. Peter & Pauls Church. May you have a very happy life together.

#### Bell Circle Main Winners September 24th

€ 200. Hugh Mc Connell; € 50.Sean Cleary; € 30. Carmel Connaughton Congratulations to all winners.

Draw takes place every Monday Evening at the Parish Centre.

#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION:**

Sunday, September 16th €1770.00. Thank you for your on-going support

## St. Peter & Pauls Parish

Athlone, Drum, Clonown

# Parish Newsletter

### 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Day for Life 2018

October 7th 2018

Our Parish on-line

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Ss. Peter & Paul's Church,
Athlone



St. Brigid's Church, Drum



Church of Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonown

#### A thought on todays Gospel

- We know from experience that that not all marriages reflect the ideal Jesus sets up in today's gospel. Many of us will have relatives whose marriages have not lasted.
- The gospels are clear that although Jesus has a vision for human relationships, including within marriage, he did not condemn those who feel short of that vision.
- All of us, married or single, are called to love one another as the Lord has loved us, and we all fail in our response to that call. It is in those moments of weakness and failure that the second part of today's gospel has most to say to us, 'anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will not enter it.'
- We stand before the Lord with a child-like heart, in our weakness and vulnerability, open and receptive to the great gift of the Lord's love that is given to us unconditionally. It is that gift which empowers us to keep reaching towards the goal, the ideal, the Jesus puts before us all.

#### **Elphin Diocese's Confirmation Youth Fest**

for Sixth Class pupils takes place next Saturday (Oct. 13th) in Abbey Community College. Info. for pupils, teachers, principals and parents available @ www.elphindiocese.ie/youthfest/ Adults who bring Sixth Class students welcome at Elphin Diocese's Parish Development & Renewal Gathering (www.elphindiocese.ie/gathering) which runs simultaneously.

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

The Pastoral Council will meet for a planning workshop in the Shamrock Lodge Hotel on Tuesday October 9th from 7.30pm to 10 pm.
All members are requested to attend.

#### **Athlone Methodist Church**

invite you to join them for Harvest Service on Sunday October 7th at 7.30pm

#### Day for Life 2018

Today (Sunday 7th October) is Day for Life which is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The focus this year is human trafficking. The Catholic community can make a real difference to help solve this problem – to help victims find freedom and live life to the full. We encourage you to deepen your understanding of Catholic Social Teaching on this important question by exploring the material prepared by the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference on www.chooselife2018.ie/Day4Life/

**Faith Development and Evangelisation of Youth and Young Adults in our Homes,** Schools and Parishes shall be the focus of the Elphin Diocese's Parish Development & Renewal Gathering in St. Joseph's Hall, Boyle, next Saturday (Oct. 13th), 9.30 - 4 pm. All welcome for part or all of day.

For more details see www.elphindiocese.ie/gathering

#### **Clonown Mass Intentions**

Sun. 7th. at 11.15 a.m. (JD) Laurence, Rose and Sonny Shine, Currnaboll.

Sun. 14th. at 11.15 a.m. (MH) Dunning and Hardiman families.

#### Drum Area Notes and Masses for Oct 6 – Oct 14

Sat. 6th. 8 p.m. (MH) Mary McGlone, Kilmacormack and brother James Dooley.

Sun. 7th. 10 a.m. (JD) Mary Ann and Tommy Lennon, Meehambee.

Mon. 8th – Fri. 12th. No Mass.

Sat. 13th. 8 p.m. (JD) Sally Lennon, Kilmacormack.

Sun. 14th. 10 a.m. (MH) Willie Berrigan, Clonark and deceased family members.

#### **Autumn Stations:**

Anybody wishing to host the Autumn Stations can contact the parish office to arrange a date and time.

#### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY-

Clanns got Talent Show. Show will take place on Saturday 17th. November in the Shamrock Lodge Hotel. It is hoped to raise much needed funds for new facilities and improvements for all members and players.

Please support your local club. More details later.

#### **Monksland Community Mass**

The October Community Mass takes place on Thursday October 11th at 8pm in Monksland Community Centre, Old Tuam Road.

All Are Welcome

#### FREE Structured Patient Education Programme

for People with Type Two Diabetes on Thursday 25th & Friday 26th October 2018 in Clonbrusk Primary Care Centre, Athlone. This is a 2 day programme; from 10 am-1.30 pm over the 2 days. If you have diabetes and are interested in attending can you please contact Orla or Niamh on 090 6424844.

#### **Clonown Variety Show**

featuring local talent and Moore Drama group takes place on the 20th October @ 8 pm in Clonown Community Centre, in aid of Clonown Community Projects. Entry  $\in 10...$  Family  $\in 25$ . Raffle and refreshments on the night.

#### The Friary Prayer Group

invites you to one hour of Intercessory Prayer for Youth on Sunday 7th October 2018 in the Chapel of Adoration, Castle Street, from 3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. All Welcome.

#### **Athlone Castle Visitor Centre**

will host a special free talk on "Jacob's Biscuit Factory & Dublin: An Assorted History" at 3pm on Sunday 7th October - pre-booking is advised by calling 090 6442130.

#### SECULAR FRANCISCANS

are advised that the next meeting of the Franciscan Fraternity will be held in the Friary Church after the 10am Mass on Wednesday, 10th October, and in the evening of the same day, in the Friary Choir (adjacent to the Our Lady's altar at the top of the right-hand aisle) at 7.30pm.