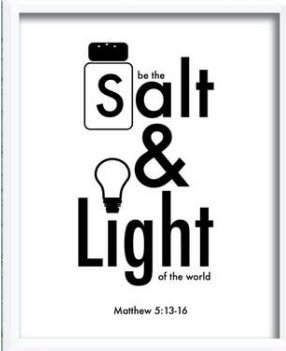


St. Peter & Pauls Parish
Athlone, Drum, Clonown

Parish Newsletter

9th February 2020
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Mass intentions this Week in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church

Saturday 8th February

(BN) 6.30 p.m. Terry Mcloughlin (Months Mind)

Sunday 9th

(MH) 9:00 a.m. **Mass for the people of the parish**

(MH) 10.30 a.m. Pat Ward

(BN) 12 Noon No Intention

Monday:

9.30 a.m. Patrick Bridget & William Anthony Elliott
(Followed by Novena)

7.30 p.m. No Intention
(Followed by Novena & Benediction)

Tuesday: 9.30 a.m. No Intention

Wednesday: 9.30 a.m. John, Eileen & Martin Lennon

Thursday: 8.00 a.m. Mass in The Liturgical Centre

9.30 a.m. Dalene Noonan (1st Anniversary)

Friday: 9.30 a.m. Cathal O'Kelly

7.30 p.m. Paddy Casey, Kathleen & George Newman
Michael Daly, Lily & Jimmy O'Connor

Saturday 15th February 9.30 a.m. Mary Mannion

(MH) 6.30 p.m. Jimmy Lynch

Sunday 16th

(JD) 9:00 a.m. **Mass for the people of the parish**

(BN) 10.30 a.m. Breda Caulfield

(MH) 12 Noon Laurence & Pat O'Connell. Deceased members of Mulligan & O'Connell

Ar dheis Dé raibh a n-anamacha

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who died recently Bridget Flannery (nee Grenham) Birr, Co. Offaly, Sister of Rosie Shine, Drumlosh, John O'Hara Kilkenny West, May Collins (Nee Coyle) Crannaghbeg, Brendan Tumulty, Rivervillage and Helen Vililand(nee Savage) Norway and late of "Aran" Battery Road, who died recently may they rest in peace.

IHCPT. Group 172 of the Children's Pilgrimage Trust

would like to thank you all who supported their rent Churchgate collection. Total amount collected €2,230.00 . They would also like to thank all volunteer collectors

Bell Circle & Parish Bingo

Draw takes place every Monday Evening at the Parish Centre. *Main Prize*
Winners: €200 B Harney : €50 Philip Keogh €30 Millie & Amber
Inter-Parish Bingo Every Sunday ay 8pm in the Dean Crowe Theatre

Offertory Collection: February 2nd € 1785.66
Donations towards to heating € 30.00
Thank you for your on-going support and generosity

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Sacristans' Christine Kenny & Tom O'Neill

Baptism, Confirmation & Marriage Certificates are issued from the Sacristy



Ss. Peter & Paul's Church, Athlone



St. Brigid's Church, Drum



Church of Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonown

A thought for today

- His people, said the prophet, preferred formal religion to honesty and justice. Now, just as Isaiah had been personally cleansed through the burning coal scorching his lips, his people needs cleansing too. They need to change their behaviour to mirror their new orientation (Isa 1:16-17).
- Only if they practice justice to the poor can their worship of God have real value..
- He promises that, "if you feed the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, your light shall rise in the darkness.." (58:10.) Some effort to promote justice is an absolute imperative, if we are to please our God.

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

The Blessing of the Sick will be offer to those who would like to receive it after 9.30am Mass on Tuesday February 11th in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church.

Parish Pastoral Council

Will meet on Tuesday February 11th at 8.15 pm in Forthill House. All members are asked to attend.

Do This in Memory Mass

(First Holy Communion Preparation) will take place on Wednesday February 12th at 7.30pm in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church. This Mass is for the Children from all eight primary schools in the parish and their families as they prepare for their First Holy Communion. The Theme of this months Mass is "you are the light of the World"

Monksland Community Mass

The February Mass will be held on Thursday February 13th at 8pm in Monksland Community Centre. Mass will be offered for all who are sick and the Blessing of the Sick will be available for all who would like to receive it. Tea, Scones and friendly chat afterwards. All are welcome.

Western Alzheimer's

are looking for volunteers for our Befriending Service. Befriending is where a person provides companionship to a person living with dementia for two or three hours per week. Full training and induction will be provided. If you are interested in becoming a befriender or require further information please come along to one of our information events: Roscommon - February 12th at 12:00pm in Hannon's Hotel, Castlereagh or contact Western Alzheimers on tel. 09066 27816

Annual Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Will take place from Wednesday May 20th to Wednesday May 27th 2020.

Spiritual Director Fr. John Deignan, Group Leader Gerry Kinneavy

Cost €675 (Single room supplement €140 extra)

Afternoon flights from Shannon to Mostar. Price includes Accommodation, Breakfast & evening meal each day. Further details and bookings call Mary Mulligan 090 6492045 / 0872936933or Gerry Kinneavy 0872249621

PLEASE NOTE:

Due to high demand for places we are currently fully booked. We are looking to see if we can get more places.

Clonown Mass Intentions

Sun. 9th. 11.15 a.m. (JD) Tommy, Patrick and Annie Dunning, & dec family members.

Sun. 16th. 11.15 a.m. (JD) Hugh Roche, Togher.

Drum Masses this week

Sat. 8th. 8 p.m. **(JD)** James & Kathleen Greene, Doohan.
Sun. 9th. 10 a.m. **(BN)** Mike & Mary Kate Hynes, Drumlosh.
Mon. 10th. - No Mass.
Tues. 11th. 7 p.m. - Kathleen & John Dunning, Ardkeen. & son Johnny.
Wed. 12th. 7 p.m. - Michael Berrigan, Clonark. & Dec. family members.
Thurs. 13th. 7 p.m. - Kathleen Naughton, Thomastown.
Fri. 14th. 7 p.m. - Edward McManus, Nure. Parents John & Margaret & Dec. family members.
Sat. 15th. 8 p.m. **(BN)** Joe & Mary Duignan, Clonellan.
Sun. 16th. 10 a.m. **(MH)** Willie Harney, Doohan. Also, parents Thomas and Mary Ann.

"Wellness for Parents workshop

Will commence

February 12th at 10am to 11.30am in Monksland Community Centre. This FREE workshop assists parents with tools to deal with stress with relaxation techniques, coaching and planning. For booking and information contact Teresa O'Brien on 086 029 1215 or email teresa@ridc.ie."

ARISE

Young Adult 18+ National Event takes place in Knock Shrine on Saturday March 7 th 2020. There will be inspirational speakers, music, celebration, fun, a chance to meet with other young adults and much more. Registration is from 10am and the day will finish at 4:30pm, Cost €10. For more information, booking, etc. Please contact Frank McGuinness, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Diocese of Elphin. Text, WhatsApp, Call, etc. to 087 9880690.

Let Your Love Shine a Light

Irish Heart Foundation

Church Gate Collection will take place on Saturday 22 nd and Sunday 23 rd February. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

The Roscommon Underwater Search and Recovery Unit

will hold its annual Church Gate Collection this weekend 8 th and 9 th February 2020. All monies collected will be used for the maintenance of the unit. We would like to thank you for your generous support in the past and hope that you will be able to support this collection."

Drum/Clonown Community Games

meeting on the 11th February at 8pm in The Shamrock Lodge Hotel. We urgently need new members so that we can continue with Community Games. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Clonown National School Enrolment Evening

Please note that Clonown NS are holding their enrolment evening on Tuesday 18th Feb 2020 from 6pm to 7pm. **We are celebrating our centenary in 2021 and we cannot wait!**

Cornafulla N.S. Enrolment and Open

morning 9.30am – 10.30am and evening from 6pm - 7pm in Cornafulla N.S. on Tuesday 11/02/20. If you are unable to come on this day, you can contact the school at 090 6437177

Hospice Fundraising Night

The original New Avengers, Sean Walsh, Brendan Parkes, Paddy Mulally and Tom O'Neill are getting back together for one night only. On Saturday 15th February 2020 in the Shamrock Lodge Hotel & all proceeds of the night will go to the local South Westmeath Hospice. Tickets are €10 each and are available from the Shamrock Lodge Hotel or from Tom in St Peter & Pauls Sacristy. Your support for this great cause would be very much appreciated