

**SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions**  
**Saturday 1st October to Sunday 9th October**

<b>Saturday</b> <b>1st October</b>	<b>9.30 am</b> <b>6.30 pm Vigil</b>	<b>(BN) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b>  <b>(JD) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> Siobhan McCallon nee Francis (1st Anniversary) David Hassett (Months Mind) Shane Kelly, Fran Murphy
<b>Sunday</b> <b>2nd October</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>  <b>12.00 noon</b>	<b>(IS) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> People of the Parish  <b>(BN) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> Johnny Lennon (Summerhill) (1st Anniversary) Margaret, Michael & Mary McManus
<b>Monday</b> <b>3rd October</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>(JD) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> <b>Followed by Novena &amp; Benediction</b> Sister Bernard Lynch
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>4th October</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>(BN) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> Private Intention
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>5th October</b>	<b>9.30 am</b> <b>6.00pm</b>	<b>(IS) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b>  <b>(BN) Blessed Sacrament Chapel</b>
<b>Thursday</b> <b>6th October</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>(IS) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> Kathleen & Sean Fuery
<b>Friday</b> <b>7th October</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>  <b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>(JD) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> John Hynes  <b>(BN) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> Teresa Mee, Angela Tymon, David Cassidy Ellen & Joe Cahill, Alan Heaney and deceased or Heaney families
<b>Saturday</b> <b>8th October</b>	<b>9.30 am</b> <b>6.30 pm Vigil</b>	<b>(JD) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b>  <b>(BN) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> Nuala Naughton, Gordon Hudson
<b>Sunday</b> <b>9th October</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>  <b>12.00 noon</b>	<b>(MH) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> People of the Parish  <b>(IS) Public Mass Also Live Streamed</b> Pat Gavin



PARISH OF  
**SS. PETER & PAUL**  
 Athlone, Drum & Clonown

# Parish Newsletter

**2nd October 2022**

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time C**



**The apostles said to Jesus, "Increase our faith!"**

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**Sacristans'** Christine Kenny & Tom O'Neill

**Baptism, Confirmation & Marriage Certificates**



**To Contact the Priest on Duty Call 085 870 5840**

### Just a thought...

The opinions of others do matter to some extent. But what counts in the long run is not human opinion but how God sees us. Nothing compares with that judgment.

The basic issue is whether we have been authentic human beings. Because of fidelity, the righteous will live. Life in the state of grace, does not depend on social reputation, but on our inner quality. As Paul says, one cannot even fully judge oneself. About righteousness, we can only trust in God's mercy, while making an honest effort to do what is right.

Then the principle applies: "for those who loves God, all things work together unto good."

#### Sacraments 2023

##### Sacrament of First Holy Communion

- Summerhill NS** Saturday May 6th. at 11am in Drum Church  
**Cloonakilla NS** Saturday May 13th at 11am in Ss Peter & Paul's Church  
**Cornafulla NS** Saturday May 20th at 11am in Drum Church  
**St Peters NS & Dean Kelly NS** Saturday May 27th at 11am in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church  
**Ardkeen NS** Saturday May 27th. at 11am in Drum Church  
**Clonown NS** Sunday May 28th at 11.15am in Clonown Church

##### Sacrament of Confirmation

- Dean Kelly NS/St. Peters NS & Summerhill NS** Wednesday 29th March at 11am in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church  
**Cornafulla NS & Ardkeen NS** Wednesday 29th March at 4pm in Drum Church  
**Cloonakilla NS** Thursday March 30th at 11am in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church

#### Harvest Collection

The Harvest Collection for the support of the Priests in the parish will be taken up this Saturday & Sunday October 1st & 2nd. You can contribute to this collection using any envelope and writing "Harvest Collection" on it and if you wish, your name address and parish envelope number.

We take this opportunity to thank the area distributors for delivering the envelopes and to you all for your ongoing support and encouragement.

*The salaries of the priests are made up from the Christmas / Easter / Pentecost & Harvest collections.*

#### Flowers for Church Altars

*If you would like to donate flowers for the use on the altars in the churches within the parish. Please contact the sacristy or the office. Thank you to those who have already donated money and flowers. Fr. John.*

#### Church Collectors

We currently looking for collectors for Drum church for Saturday evening at 8:00 and Sunday at 10:00 am masses. And also for St Peter and Pauls church for Saturday evening (6.30pm) and Sunday (9.00am and 12 noon). If you are interested please contact the sacristy 090 64 94150 or the parish office 090 64 92171 for more details.

#### Dean Kelly N.S.

Would you like to help with our breakfast club? We are looking for people who enjoy spending time with children and would like to create a welcoming environment in our breakfast club. The time commitment for the breakfast club is 8.30 to 9.15 on whichever day suits the volunteer. If you would like to find out more, please contact the school on 0906492000 or [deankellyboysns@hotmail.com](mailto:deankellyboysns@hotmail.com).

#### Sunday Collection for the support of the parish.

We thank those who continue to give generously and regularly towards the upkeep of the parish. We also wish to thank those who contribute regularly via bank transfer. Thank you.

**Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Weekly Offertory Collection 24th September €1245**  
**We thank you for your contributions and generosity.**

#### First Friday Calls

Will take place on Friday 7th October 2022

#### Drum Mass Intentions for Oct 1 – Oct 9

- Sat. 1<sup>st</sup>. at 8 p.m. - Patrick and Annie Cuniffe, Thomastown.  
Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup>. at 10 a.m. - Mary Ann and Tommy Lennon, Meehambee.  
Tues. 4<sup>th</sup>. at 7 p.m. - Thomas and Mary Ellen Lennon, Cornafulla North. Also, deceased family members.  
Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup>. at 7 p.m. - Patrick and Margaret Curley, Clonellan. Also, deceased family members.  
Sat. 8<sup>th</sup>. at 8 p.m. - Willie Berrigan, Clonark and deceased family members.  
Sun. 9<sup>th</sup>. at 10 a.m. - Mary McGlone, Kilmacormack. Also, James Dooley.

#### Clonown Mass Intentions for Oct 2 – Oct 9

- Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>. at 11.15 a.m. - Margaret and John Dunning. Newrow.  
Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>. at 8 p.m. - First Friday.  
Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>. at 11.15 a.m. - Laurence, Rose and Sonny Shine, Currnaboll. Also, deceased family members.

#### Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the souls of Geraldine Quirke (née Fagan) St. Paul's Terrace, Athlone, Westmeath/Drogheda, Louth and Brendan Downey, Birmingham, England, formerly Moore South, brother of Teresa McEvilly, Johnstown. May they rest in peace and condolences to the bereaved families.

#### Community Employment Vacancies

**St. Peter's Parish C.E. Project CLG., St. Peter's Parish Centre, Chapel Street, Athlone. N37YX27**  
**Tel: 090 6493270**

**The Following Community Employment Positions are available on our Project.**

Job Ref:	Position	Project Area
2216030	Caretaker/Grounds-person	St. Francis Football Club.
2234473	Cleaner/Caretaker	Monksland Community Centre
2244876	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Gentex Football Club.
2244874	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Monksland Community Centre.
2244872	Caretaker/Grounds-person	St. Francis Football Club
2243033	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Drum Community Centre

**Please note that you must be eligible for Community Employment in order to apply for the above positions. For more information please contact the above telephone no Monday to Friday between 9am To 1pm. A video on CE can be seen in the 'What's Going On' section of the Jobsireland website, at end of the homepage."**

#### Season of Creation

The Season of Creation has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since Pope Francis established 1 September as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. The theme for the Season of Creation 2022 is "Listen to the Voice of Creation". "I have heard their cry...I know their sufferings Come, now! I will send you...I will be with you" (Ex 3: 1-12). To learn more about the Season of Creation, visit [www.elphindiocese.ie](http://www.elphindiocese.ie)

#### Athlone Flower and Garden Club

Floral Demonstration on Tuesday October 4th in the Bounty Rugby Club, Athlone at 8.00pm by Mary Owens, Athboy. "Theme Into the Autumn go with the Flow". Admin €10, Members €5. All are welcome.

**Athlone branch of Irish Guide Dogs** for the Blind are holding a Pet Blessing on Sunday, October 2nd, 2022 at the Franciscan Friary garden at 3pm. All pets welcome. light refreshment afterwards.

#### Athlone Methodist Church, Northgate Street, Athlone

Invite you to our annual Harvest Service, on Sunday 2nd October at 7.30pm. Led by our minister Rev. Nigel Gill. Refreshments and chats afterwards. All welcome.

#### The Legion of Mary'

invite you to pray the rosary at John Paul Park Grotto on Friday October 7th at 8pm. All welcome