SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions Saturday 1st July to Sunday 9th July 2023 ALL MASSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED on www.churchservices.tv/athlone

Saturday 1st July	9.30 am	(JD) Also Live Streamed Birdie & Joe Glennon
,	6.30 pm Vigil	(MH) Also Live Streamed Gabrielle (Gaye) Gaffey (Months Mind)
Sunday	9.00 am	(JD) Also Live Streamed
2nd July		People of the Parish
	12.00 noon	(JD) Also Live Streamed
		Tom Egan (Monksland) (Months Mind)
		William, Elizabeth & Peggy Ryan
		& Decease of Ryan & Enright families
Monday	9.30 am	(JD) Also Live Streamed
3rd July		Followed by Novena & Benediction
Tuesday 9.30 am		(JD) Also Live Streamed
4th July		Patrick & Mary O'Brien
Wednesday	9.30 am	(JD) Also Live Streamed
5th July		Sr Angela Forde
	6.00 pm	(JD) Blessed Sacrament Chapel
Thursday	9.30 am	(JD) Also Live Streamed
6th July	0.20	Private Intention
Friday	9.30 am	(MH) Also Live Streamed
7th July		Bridget & Bernard Tully &
		Patrick & Thomas O'Reilly &
	7.30 pm	deceased family members (JD) Also Live Streamed
	7.50 pm	Kathleen McCormack
		The Gilligan family
		Sean Fallon & the Mulkerrins family
		Pat & Ann Fallon, Malcolm Biggs
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Saturday 8th July	9.30 am	(JD) Also Live Streamed
	6.30 pm Vigil	(JD) Also Live Streamed
Sunday	9.00 am	(MH) Also Live Streamed
9th July		People of the Parish
	12.00 noon	(MH) Also Live Streamed
		Ray Fallon
		Mandy Joyce
		Justin & Stafford Golden

Car Parking at SS. Peter & Paul's Church

Parking in the Church grounds is reserved for those visiting the church. We ask your cooperation especially at Mass times and on days when we have Funerals or Weddings.



2nd July 2023 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)



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www.churchservices.tv/athlone						
Baptism, Confirmation & Marriage Certificates						
are issued from the Sacristy (090 64 94 150)						

To Contact the Priest on Duty Call 085 870 5840

A thought for this week

The readings for the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time encourage us to make our relationship with God first in all we do. The first reading recounts how a woman provided hospitality to Elisha and was rewarded for her generosity. The psalm reminds us that all of the good things in our lives come from God. And in the gospel Jesus tells us that we must stop clinging to our own self-interests in order to follow him.

- **Discipleship and Priority:** Jesus emphasizes the supreme importance of following Him wholeheartedly, even if it means putting Him above family relationships. He challenges His disciples to prioritize their commitment to Him above all else.
- **Cost of Discipleship:** Jesus acknowledges that following Him may result in division and conflict within families, highlighting the potential sacrifices and challenges that disciples may face for their faith.
- Love for Jesus: Jesus calls His disciples to love Him above all, indicating the depth of devotion and allegiance required in discipleship.
- **Taking Up the Cross:** Jesus instructs His disciples to take up their cross and follow Him, signifying the willingness to bear the burdens and endure hardships that come with following Christ.
- Hospitality and Reception: Jesus encourages His disciples to show hospitality and receive others in His name, emphasizing the importance of caring for and supporting fellow believers and those who proclaim the message of the Gospel.
- **Reward and Recognition:** Jesus assures His disciples that even the smallest acts of kindness and service done in His name will not go unnoticed by God, promising a reward and recognition in the kingdom of heaven.

Annual Holidays

Fr. Innocent will be away until July 29th. Please direct all requests for sick calls in the town / Monksland areas to Fr John 090-6490874 and the Drum area to Fr. Michael 090-6437125. Please direct all office enquiries directly to the office on 090 64 92171 Monday - Thursday 9.30am

to 12 30pm or Drum area 090 64 37125.

All Mass bookings through the sacristy, 090 64 94 150 This phone is only manned at Mass times.

Assisted Pilgrims Fund for the Elphin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

A sincere thanks to the people of Drum for their generosity at the recent Church gate collection, the sum of €416 was collected.

"Designer Minds"

have 2 upcoming Summer Camps running in Athlone. Choose a Science Design & Technology Camp OR Art Camp (or try out both and receive a discount). For all boys & girls currently in Senior Infants up to 6th Class. <u>www.designerminds.ie</u> or call 087 631 0411"

CANA TALKS

Friday 1st September in the TF Royal Theatre, Castlebar at 8pm. 8 energetic speakers – each has just 15 minutes to inspire you – this is the Christian version of TED Talks Visit <u>www.canatalks.com</u> or our Cana Talks Facebook page. Come along for an entertaining & inspirational evening for the mind, heart, & soul!

Sunday Collection for the support of the parish.

Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Weekly Offertory Collection 25th June €1435 It is possible to contribute using a standing order from your bank account, Contact the office to get more details.

Charitable Donation Scheme (Revenue Commissioners)

Over the period of a year if you contribute more than €250. to the parish and are a tax payer self-employed or an employee and sign a charity tax form WE can clam back an additional amount from the revenue commissioners at no further cost to you.

We thank you for your ongoing contributions and generosity.

Drum Mass Intentions for July 1st – July 9th

Sat. 1 st at 8 p.m. (JD)	-	P.J. and Bridie Collins, Lisbrock and Rooskey.
		Parents of Kieran Collins. Also, Norah Rafferty, Glenamaddy.
Sun. 2 nd . at 10 a.m. (MH)	-	Hubert and Mary Naughton, Doohan. Also, deceased members of
		the Naughton and Colleran families.
Tues. 4 th . at 7 p.m.	-	Kathleen Henry, Johnstown. Also, deceased members of the
		Henry and Keogh families.
Thurs. 6 th . at 7 p.m.	-	Tom and Kathleen Nicholson, Cornafulla South.
		Also, deceased family members.
Sat. 8 th . at 8 p.m. (MH)	-	Tom, Kathleen and John Shine, Crannaghmore.
Sun. 9 th . at 10 a.m. (JD)	-	Gloria Walshe, Crannaghbeg.

Clonown Mass Intentions for July 2nd – July 9th

July 2 nd . at 11.15 a.m. (MH)	-	Mass in the Cemetery.
July 7 th . at 8 p.m.	-	Annie O'Boyle late of St. Coman's Park.
July 9 th . at 11.15 a.m. (JD)	-	Johnny and May Harney.
		Also, John and Nell Salmon, Ballinaculla.

Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the souls of Johny Shine, Cedarwood Drive, Monksland & Soilsionn, Millbrook, Bealmullia, Athlone, Roscommon/Westmeath. Victoria Konieczko, Red Door, Baylough, Athlone, Westmeath / Athlone, Roscommon. Mary Grenham (née Costello), Blackstown, Cornafulla, Athlone.

May they rest in peace and condolences to the bereaved families.

Elphin Diocesan assisted Pilgrimage to Lourdes

on the 23rd -28th of August, 2023.

A collection for the Assisted Pilgrims fund will take place this weekend, the 1st & 2nd of July, 2023 at SS Peter & Paul's Church, Athlone. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Accord

Accord are currently taking booking's for Pre-Marriage courses. Please contact the Sligo Accord Centre at 071-9145641 or <u>www.accord.ie</u> The Pre-Marriage course should be booked at least 6-8 months before the wedding.

Community Employment Vacancies

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

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The Following Community Employment Positions are available on our Project.

Job Ref:	Position	Project Area
2253037	Cleaner/Caretaker	Monksland Commur
2253032	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Gentex Football Clu
2253044	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Monksland Commur
2253048	Caretaker/Grounds-person	St. Francis Football C
2258047	Environmental Worker	Monksland Tidy Towr
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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 number 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."

ALONE

"Would you be willing to provide companionship, make calls to Older People or help out on the NSRL once a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please sign up here: https://alone.ie/volunteers/

The Legion of Mary wish to thank the principals, teachers and pupils of the local primary schools for the courtesy and welcome they received when they visited the Confirmation classes to distribute Miraculous medals recently.'