

SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions

Saturday 13th July to Sunday 21st July 2024

ALL MASSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED on www.churchservices.tv/athlone

Saturday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
13th July	6.30pm	(MH) Also Live Streamed Michael Shine.
	Vigil	
Sunday	9.00am	(JD) Also Live Streamed People of the Parish
14th July	12.00pm	(IS) Also Live Streamed Ita Carty - 1st Anniversary. Paddy & John Carty. Tommy & Ann Ward. Stafford & Justin Golden.
Monday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
15th July	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed James O'Brien and deceased members of the O'Brien & Rushe Families.
Tuesday	9.30am	(IS) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
16th July	6.00pm	(JD) Blessed Sacrament Chapel
Thursday	9.30am	(IS) Also Live Streamed Mc Namara & Walshe Families.
Friday	9.30am	(JW) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
19th July	7.30pm	(IS) Also Live Streamed Kathleen Keighery - 1st Anniversary. Christina Sherlock. John, Mary & Tommy Keogh.
Saturday	9.30am	(JW) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
20th July	6.30pm	(IS) Also Live Streamed Joe Kelly - Baylough.
	Vigil	
Sunday	9.00am	(MH) Also Live Streamed People of the Parish
21st July	12.00pm	(JD) Also Live Streamed Nora Walsh. Pat & Annie Fallon. Nell & Dan Egan. Tommy & Molly Grenham. Bridie, Jimmy & Mark West and deceased family members.

A prayer in challenging times

Loving and merciful Lord, challenges begin to shake my life.
I come to the shelter of Your power and love.
Provide me with strength in mind and body to overcome any difficulties.
May I draw wisdom from all these challenges.
Through my trust and confidence in You,
may I grow to become a better person through these difficulties.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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

*Jesus sends out the
Twelve apostles to
preach, heal, and
expel demons.
They are to rely on God
and the hospitality
of others.*



July 14th 2024
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sacristans' Christine Kenny & Tom O'Neill

**Baptism, Confirmation & Marriage Certificates
are issued from the Sacristy (090 64 94 150)**

To Contact the Priest on Duty Call 085 870 5840

Dear Parishioners,

Please find below a Letter from Bishop Kevin regarding Clerical changes in our parish.

These changes are in addition to the following affecting other parishes.

Fr. Ray Milton PP of the Parish of Knockcroghery, St. John's and Rahara will take on additional duties as Administrator of the Parishes of Athleague and Fuerty.

Fr. Joseph Ali (AliJoe) is appointed curate in Athleague and Fuerty Parish

Fr. Pravin Dhason PP Oran and PP Kilbride and has been granted a period of study leave.

Fr. Victor Samugana (CC Cathedral Parish) will be Parish Priest of Oran and Parish Priest of Kilbride.

**I wish Fr. Michael and Fr. Innocent well in their futures
and look forward to welcoming Fr. Christopher to our parish.**

I can also put your minds at ease that Drum will have a resident priest going forward.

Fr. John



Parish of Ss. Peter and Paul, Athlone – Change in Clergy Summer 2024

Dear Parishioners of Ss Peter and Paul's Parish

I am writing to let you know that I have made some changes in clergy assignments in the Diocese of Elphin, which will affect your parish, as well as a number of others. I am conscious that change is challenging, both for the faithful and for the priests, but it is sometimes necessary and often brings its own blessings.

- Fr. Innocent Sunu has been transferred to St. Mary's Cathedral Parish, Sligo and will move at the end of July.
- Fr. Innocent will be replaced by Fr. Christopher Edebianga, coming from the Parish of Athleague and Fuerty.
- Fr. Michael Hickey (CC in Drum) will be returning to his Congregation, the Spiritans (Holy Ghost Missionaries) at the end of August.

I take this opportunity to thank Fr. Michael who has served generously in the parish for seven years, and well beyond the normal age of retirement. Thanks also to Fr. Innocent who has ministered in the parish for two years.

We were blessed to have one priest more than expected in the Diocese last year and this resulted in the appointment of Fr. Joseph Wenjeslaus to Athlone as an additional member of the team. Fr. Wenjeslaus will be remaining in the parish, so the team will be at normal strength. These changes will obviously mean that Fr. John Deignan, as Parish Priest, will need to review the responsibilities of the various members of the team in the coming months.

I know that the three Churches communities in Athlone are blessed with the active engagement of many lay people in various kinds of ministry and service. It is the mission of the priests to serve the community in developing and using those gifts. I am equally confident that you, the lay faithful, will continue to support the mission of the priests as you have done in the past.

Yours Sincerely

+Kevin Doran
Bishop of Elphin

Drum Mass Intentions for July 13th – July 21st.

Sat. 13th @ 8 p.m. **(IS)** Martin and Mary McManus, Drumlosh.
Sun. 14th @ 10 a.m. **(IS)** Mary Caulfield, Summerhill.
Tues. 16th @ 7 p.m. **(MH)** Mary and Tom Hynes, Johnstown and deceased family members.
Also, Jim and Elizabeth Dwyer.
Thurs. 18th @ 7 p.m. **(MH)** Teresa Whyte, Thomastown.
Sat. 20th @ 8 p.m. **(JD)** Dan Harney, Maureen Griffin and Sarah Kelly, Rooskey.
Also, deceased family members.
Sun. 14th @ 10 a.m. **(JW)** No Intention.

Clonown Mass Intentions for July 14th - July 21st.

July 14th @ 11.15 a.m. **(JW)** Johnny and May Harney.
Also, John and Nell Salmon, Ballinaculla.
July 21st @ 11.15 a.m. **(IS)** Joe and Bridget Roche, Togher. Also, deceased family members.

Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the souls of Annemarie Relihan (née Byrne), Mountemple.
Thomas (Tommy) Wall, Cornafulla.

May they rest in the peace of Christ.

The Elphin Diocesan Assisted Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Elphin Diocesan Assisted Pilgrimage to Lourdes would like to thank most sincerely the parish of Ss. Peter & Paul who donated €820 at last week's church gate collection.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Elphin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 30th August – 4th September 2024. Application forms for the Assisted Pilgrim Section are available from Fr Ray Milton, PP, Pilgrimage Director, St. John's, Lecarrow, Co. Roscommon (090 6661115).
Forms are also available from the parish office. All other enquiries in relation to the Pilgrimage can be directed to Joe Walsh Tours at 01-2410800 or info@joewalshstours.ie

Annual Mass of the Angels 2024

The 9th annual Mass of the angels will take place on Wednesday August 21st at 7.30pm in Ss. Peter and Paul's Church. This Mass is an opportunity for prayer and healing as you come to terms with the loss of a baby or child at any stage of life. By coming together we share our experience and by prayer we give each other hope. No matter how long it has been since your loss you are most welcome. **Please tell those you know, who have had a loss, about the Mass.**

Medjugorje Youth Festival

The Diocese of Elphin invites young adults in the diocese aged 18-35 on pilgrimage to Medjugorje this summer for the Youth Festival from 31st July – 7th August, led by Bishop Doran. The cost per person sharing is €650. For more information, please see the diocesan website on www.elphindiocese.ie/medjugorje or contact the Diocesan Office at 071-9150106.

Jubilee of Marriages

Couples celebrating their Silver, Ruby, Golden or Diamond wedding anniversaries are invited to attend a Jubilee Mass, along with their families and friends, on Sunday 22nd September at 2.30pm in St Brigid's Church, Four Mile House or. Light refreshments will be served after Mass for all in attendance. As each couple celebrating an Anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Kevin, they are asked to register their details at www.elphindiocese.ie/jubilee2024

Tap machine for donations.

*We have introduced a "Tap Machine" for donations to Ss. Peter & Paul's Church. In doing so it is **not** to replace the weekly collection but rather to give visitors to the church an opportunity to contribute to the upkeep of our beautiful church.*

Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Weekly Offertory Collection 7th July € 1,645.
We thank those who donate through the online link on the Parish Website.
Thank you for your ongoing contributions and generosity.