

## SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions

Saturday 20th July to Sunday 28th July 2024

ALL MASSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED on [www.churchservices.tv/athlone](http://www.churchservices.tv/athlone)

Saturday	9.30am	<b>(JW) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
20th July	6.30pm	<b>(IS) Also Live Streamed</b> Joe Kelly - Baylough.
	Vigil	
Sunday	9.00am	<b>(MH) Also Live Streamed</b> <b>People of the Parish</b>
21st July	12.00pm	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Nora Walsh. Pat & Annie Fallon. Nell & Dan Egan. Tommy & Molly Grenham. Bridie, Jimmy & Mark West and deceased family members.
Monday	9.30am	<b>(JW) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
22nd July	9.30am	<b>(JW) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
Tuesday	9.30am	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
23rd July	9.30am	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
Wednesday	9.30am	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
24th July	6.00pm	<b>(JW) Blessed Sacrament Chapel</b>
Thursday	9.30am	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Private Intention.
25th July	9.30am	<b>(IS) Also Live Streamed</b> James Bell.
Friday	9.30am	<b>(IS) Also Live Streamed</b> Sean Goode. Christina Sherlock. Margaret, James & Paddy Gately.
26th July	7.30pm	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Private Intention.
Saturday	9.30am	<b>(IS) Also Live Streamed</b> Private Intention.
27th July	6.30pm	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Maureen Egan - 1st Anniversary.
	Vigil	
Sunday	9.00am	<b>(JW) Also Live Streamed</b> <b>People of the Parish</b>
28th July	12.00pm	<b>(MH) Also Live Streamed</b> Annie & William Shine. Raymond (Ray) O'Rourke. Thomas Egan.

### A prayer for this coming week

Lord, sustain us with Your grace throughout the week ahead. May Your love be our strength, Your presence our guide, and Your peace our eternal refuge.

We offer this prayer through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



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

Jesus and the apostles retreat for rest, but a large crowd follows. Seeing their need, Jesus compassionately teaches them.



## July 21st 2024 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Parish Pastoral Council:** John Daly *Chairperson* c/o Parish Office

**Sacristy Ss. Peter & Paul's Church (attended at Mass times only) 090 6494150**

**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

**On the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B**, the readings highlight God's care for His people and the unity brought by Christ. They show how God promises to guide and protect us, breaking down barriers and giving us peace.

- **God's Promise to Lead:** Jeremiah speaks of God condemning bad leaders and promising to lead His people with wisdom and justice. This shows God's commitment to guide and protect His flock.
- **Unity in Christ:** Ephesians highlights how Christ's sacrifice has made us one. He has broken down barriers, giving us all access to the Father and creating peace among us.
- **Compassion of Jesus:** In Mark's Gospel, Jesus sees the crowd's need and teaches them with compassion. He recognizes their need for guidance, like sheep without a shepherd.
- **Just Leadership:** Jeremiah's message emphasises the need for just and wise leaders. God promises to personally ensure the safety and growth of His people.
- **Peace Through Sacrifice:** Ephesians explains how Christ's sacrifice brings peace. His actions reconcile us with God and each other.
- **Need for Guidance:** Mark's Gospel shows people seeking Jesus' guidance. Jesus responds with compassion, understanding their need for a shepherd.

**The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B reminds us of God's promise to lead and protect us. It also shows how Christ's sacrifice unites us and brings peace.**

#### 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.**

#### 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](http://www.elphindiocese.ie/jubilee2024)

#### 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](http://www.elphindiocese.ie/medjugorje) or contact the Diocesan Office at 071-9150106.*

#### 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](mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie)*

#### 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 14th July € 1,320.**  
**We thank those who donate through the online link on the Parish Website.**  
**Thank you for your ongoing contributions and generosity.**

#### Drum Mass Intentions for July 20th – July 28th.

Sat. 20<sup>th</sup> @ 8 p.m. **(JD)** Dan Harney, Maureen Griffin and Sarah Kelly, Rooskey. Also, deceased family members.  
 Sun. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 10 a.m. **(JW)** No Intention.  
 Tues. 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7 p.m. **(MH)** Mary and Patrick Whelan. Also, Maureen and Desmond Foody.  
 Thurs. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7 p.m. **(MH)** John and Hannah Duignan. Also, Patrick and Norah Rafferty.  
 Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> @ 8 p.m. **(MH)** Owen McManus and his partner Leonie Kirwan.  
 Sun. 28<sup>th</sup> @ 10 a.m. **(IS)** Joe and Mary Harney, Rockfield.

#### Clonown Mass Intentions for July 21st - July 28th.

July 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11.15 a.m. **(IS)** Joe and Bridget Roche, Togher. Also, deceased family members.  
 July 28<sup>th</sup> @ 11.15 a.m. **(JD)** No Intention.

#### Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the souls of **Fr. Larney Shine** CSSp (formerly of Clonown), Kimmage Manor, Dublin. **John McGeehan**, Clonark. **Annie (Dodie) Kilroy**, Lucas Court. Sister-in-law to Martin Kilroy, Clonbulia. **Jimmy Kelly**, Curraghboy. Father to Fidelma Duignan, Ardkenan. Also, **Anne Murphy**, Kiltoom. Mother to Catherine Seery, Creggane.

**May they rest in the peace of Christ.**

#### Drum Parish Office are taking Mass bookings for 2025 in Drum and Clonown Churches.

Contact the parish office @ **090-6437125** or email [drumparish1@gmail.com](mailto:drumparish1@gmail.com)

#### The Parish of Kiltoom and Cam St Brigid's Camino on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Registration is @ 9am in Kiltoom Parish Hall. Camino starts at 9.30am. The Three stations for the Camino prayer to be said are:  
 Station 1: Kiltoom Parish Hall. Station 2: Curraghboy Church.  
 Station 3: at St Brigid statue in Brideswell.  
 Carry the pilgrim cross, for a loved who has died, for a special intention, for the sick. €3 for Pilgrim Cross and a Camino Prayer Card. Please bring your own water.

#### Athlone Inclusive Trad Disco at Feile na Sionainne

Inclusive Trad Disco for adults that have disabilities on Friday 2nd August @ 14:30 - 16:00. In St. Kieran's Community Centre, Tormey Villas, Athlone, N37 W7P3. email [info@louise.ie](mailto:info@louise.ie) or call Louise on **0877832689**

#### Féile na Sionainne & Comhaltas Áth Luain

Proudly welcome The Kilfenora Roadshow, 'an evening of music, song and dance'. In St. Mary's Hall, Athlone N37W089. Friday 2nd August @ 5.30pm. Tickets available on the door. Family €20, Adult €10, Child €5. Raffle on the night with all proceeds going to the South Westmeath Hospice.

#### COFFEE AND CHAT

Join us at "Caife Connect" at 11.00 on 22/07/24. We are a mixed bunch of Irish-lovers, keen to use the "cúpla focail". Location: AFRC, Unit 14, ACT, Ball Alley Lane, Parnell Square, Athlone N37C8W6. Parking at 20 O'Connell St. N37 K308.

#### 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
2340544	Caretaker/Groundsperson	Clonown Church & Parish Hall
2338948	Caretaker/Grounds Person	St. Peters Parish Centre.
2343611	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Drum Church & Parish Hall.
2343613	Cleaner/Caretaker	Monksland Community Centre.
2343616	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Gentex Football Club.
2343610	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Monksland Community Centre.
2343603	Caretaker/Grounds-person	St. Francis FC.
2343618	Environmental Worker	Monksland Tidy Towns.

**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 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.**