

SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions

Saturday 28th September to Sunday 6th October 2024

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

Saturday	9.30am	(CE) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
28th September	6.30pm Vigil	(JD) Also Live Streamed Maureen Beaumont - Months Mind. Maureen Mc Hugh - 1st Anniversary. Paul Revins - 1st Anniversary.
Sunday	9.00am	(JD) Also Live Streamed
29th September	12.00pm	People of the Parish (CE) Also Live Streamed Maureen Byrne. Thomas & Phoebe Milton and deceased family members.
Monday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed (Novena & Benediction) No Intention.
30th September		
Tuesday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed Tommy & Pauline Butler. Joe & Mary Jane Donoghue. Parnell Keegan.
1st October		
Wednesday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
2nd October	6.00pm	(CE) Blessed Sacrament Chapel.
Thursday	9.30am	(CE) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
3rd October	9.30am	(CE) Also Live Streamed Sr. Bernard Lynch. Cannon Patrick Murray. Sean & Kathleen Fuery. Angela Tymon. David Cassidy. Evelyn Mulvey (née Curley). Christine & Jackie Harvey. Siobhán Mc Callon (née Francis).
Friday	9.30am	
4th October	7.30pm	(JD) Also Live Streamed
Saturday	9.30am	(CE) Also Live Streamed John Hynes.
5th October	6.30pm Vigil	(CE) Also Live Streamed Fran Murphy & Frank Kelly.
Sunday	9.00am	(CE) Also Live Streamed
6th October	12.00pm	People of the Parish (JD) Also Live Streamed Johnny Lennon, Summerhill.

A Prayer for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Heavenly Father, we come before You with grateful hearts, seeking Your guidance and strength. We thank You for the gift of faith and the opportunity to grow in Your love. Help us to heed the lessons of Your Scriptures, recognizing the call to serve others and to act justly in our everyday lives. May we cultivate a spirit of compassion, striving to lift up the marginalized and those in need, just as Christ did. As we reflect on Your Word, inspire us to turn away from our shortcomings and embrace a life that reflects Your grace and mercy. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

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

September 29th 2024

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Season of Creation Sept 1st—Oct 4th

*Lord, help us to be open to Your spirit in all people.
Teach us to use our wealth wisely and to be
generous. May we always recognize and support
the good works done in Your name. Amen.*



Visit of the Relics of St. Bernadette
to
Ss. Peter & Paul's Church, Athlone

Saturday Nov 2nd to Monday Nov 4th

Saturday November 2nd

- 12 Noon The Angelus followed by Welcoming Ceremony
- 4pm Guided prayer time (Water)
- 6.30pm Mass of St. Bernadette

Evening Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and individual Confessions Finishing with Prayers from 8.30 til 9pm

Sunday November 3rd

- 9am Mass of our Lady of Lourdes
- 12 Noon The Angelus / Mass of our Lady of Lourdes
followed by Anointing of the Sick
- 4pm Holy Hour
- 8pm The Way of the Cross from Lourdes



Monday November 4th

- 9.30am Mass of the Immaculate Conception
Mass, Novena and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 11.45am Mid-Day Prayer ending with The Angelus & Benediction

To Contact the Priest on Duty Call 085 870 5840

Weekly Newsletter

On the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, the readings highlight important lessons about community, wealth, and moral conduct. We see how God's spirit works in unexpected ways and how serious the call to righteousness is

- **God's Spirit is Free:** In Numbers, God's spirit rests on two men who were not in the meeting. This shows that God can choose anyone to share His message.
- **Warning Against Wealth:** James warns the rich about the misuse of wealth. Wealth should be used to help others, not just for personal gain.
- **Inclusive Ministry:** In the Gospel, Jesus says anyone who does good in His name is part of His mission. This teaches us to be open and inclusive.
- **Avoiding Sin:** Jesus warns about the seriousness of sin. He uses strong language to show how important it is to avoid sin at all costs.
- **Helping the Needy:** James speaks against those who hoard wealth while others suffer. Helping those in need is a key part of living our faith.
- **Recognizing Others' Good Works:** The disciples try to stop someone casting out demons in Jesus' name. Jesus teaches them to recognize and support good works done by others. These themes remind us to be open to God's spirit in unexpected ways and to live justly. They call us to avoid sin, help others, and recognize good works.

Season of Creation Ecumenical Prayer Service

An Ecumenical Service will be held in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church this coming Wednesday evening October 2nd at 7.30pm to reflect on and pray for a deeper respect for creation.
All are welcome.

Parish Social

The Parish Pastoral Council are hosting a Parish Social on Sunday October 13th in the Shamrock Lodge Hotel, from 6pm to 9pm. Tickets are now on sale €10 per person. Tickets on sale at The Sacristy, The Parish Office, Mulligans and the Liturgical Centre.

A presentation will be given to Fr. Innocent in gratitude for his time here and also to Tom O'Neill who has recently retired as one of our sacristans. Envelopes towards the presentation to Fr. Innocent are available at the back of the Church. **Music, dancing and a light supper on the night.**

Monthly Youth Mass in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church

We hope to start a monthly Youth Led Mass from the Last Weekend in October. We invite those interested in playing an instrument, joining a choir, reading or helping organise the mass to make contact with Deacon Tony on 085 739 2473 or Miss Nally in Colaiste Chairáin.

Fr Joseph on Holidays

Fr. Joseph has returned home to India for a holiday. He will be away from September 26th returning on October 27th. We wish him a restful break.
Anyone from Fr. Joseph's Area needing a priest can call the priest on duty on 085 870 5840

Collection for the Support of the Clergy

The Harvest Collection for the support of the clergy was taken yp last weekend. Outstanding envelopes can be dropped in the collection baskets at Mass of dropped to the Sacristy or Office.
The Priests of the parish thank you for your ongoing generosity and support.

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 September 22nd € 1,285.

We thank those who donate through the online link on the Parish Website.

Thank you for your ongoing contributions and generosity.

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Sat. 28 th	8 p.m.	(CE)	Drum Mass Intentions for Sept 28th – Oct 6th Bea and Edmund McManus, Ardnanure. Son, Martin and deceased family members.
Sun. 29 th	10 a.m.	(CE)	Patrick and Margaret Curley, Clonellan. Also, daughter Mary.
Tues. 1 st	7 p.m.	(CE)	No Intention.
Thurs. 3 rd	7 p.m.	(JD)	No Intention.
Sat. 5 th	8 p.m.	(JD)	Jim Nugent, Summerhill.
Sun. 6 th	10 a.m.	(JD)	Mary Ann & Tommy Lennon, Meehambee.

Clonown Mass Intentions Sept 29th - Oct 6th

Sun. 29 th	11.15 a.m.	(JD)	Dan & Mary Grenham and deceased family members.
Fri. 4 th	8.00 p.m.	(CE)	Stephen, Annie, Patrick, John, Michéal and Stephen Jnr. Fallon, Newtown.
Sun. 6 th	11.15 a.m.	(CE)	Margaret & John Dunning, Newrow and deceased family members.

Drum Monthly Holy Communion Calls

Fr. Joseph would like to hear from anyone in the Drum or Clonown areas who would like to be added to his monthly Holy Communion Calls list.
Please contact Catherine at the Drum office **090 - 6437125.**

Drum Parish Office Holidays

Drum Parish Office will be closed from Monday 30th reopening on Monday October 7th.
If you have any queries please contact Martina at St. Peter's Parish Office @ **090 - 6492171.**

Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the soul of Deborah Martin (née Carr) Ballaghaderreen and Kiltewan.
May she rest in the peace of Christ.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Athlone Deanery Group

After many years in our parish St. Joseph's Young Priests Society is preparing to relaunch in September. We propose to unite the parishes of Ss. Peter & Paul's, Athlone, Kiltoom & Cam, and Knockcroghery, St. John's & Rahara to create a new committee. The purpose of the group will be to pray for and promote vocations to the Priesthood. This will, in the coming year include six public Holy Hours two in each parish. We invite anyone interested in joining this group to contact the parish office on **090 - 6492171**
or stpetersparishathlone@gmail.com

MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library will be in the SuperValu carpark, Monksland on Thursday 3rd October from 11am – 3:30pm. Also 17th October 1pm - 3.30pm.

Irish Guide Dogs

Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind are holding a "Blessing of Animals" on Sunday 6th October at St. Peter and Paul's Church @ 2pm. All welcome.

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
2347315	Caretaker/Grounds person	Clonown Church & Parish Hall.
2347679	Caretaker/Grounds Person	St. Peters Parish Centre.
2350792	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Drum Church & Parish Hall.
2350793	Cleaner/Caretaker	Monksland Community Centre.
2350794	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Gentex Football Club.
2349784	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Monksland Community Centre.
2350795	Caretaker/Grounds-person	St. Francis FC.
2351126	Environmental Worker	Monksland Tidy Towns.
2346955	Receptionist/Administrator	Monksland Community Centre.
2346948	Receptionist/Administrator	St. Peters Parish Project Office.
2347690	Administrator/Co-ordinator	Athlone Drug Awareness Group.

Please note that you must be eligible for Community Employment in order to apply for the above positions. A person that is between the ages of 50 - 61 and signing for credits for more than one year may also be eligible to participate on a CE programme. 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