

## SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions

**Saturday 14th September to Sunday 22nd September 2024**

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

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
<b>14th September</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Freda Murphy (née Slevin) - Months Mind. Caroline Reilly (née Evans) - Months Mind.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b>
<b>15th September</b>	<b>12.00pm</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b> <b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b> Josie & Hugh O'Neill. Jack Rigney, Danny Wall, Carmel, Michelle & Damien Laharte.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed (Novena &amp; Benediction)</b>
<b>16th September</b>		No Intention.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b>
<b>17th September</b>		Marie Lennon - 1st Anniversary.
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(JW) Also Live Streamed</b>
<b>18th September</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	No Intention.
	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(JD) Blessed Sacrament Chapel.</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Private Intention.
<b>19th September</b>		<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	No Intention.
<b>20th September</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b> Bridget (Bea) Higgins (formerly Summerhill Convent)- Months Mind. Charlie & Ollie Francis. Anne & Chrissie Corrigan. James & Mary Finneran. Trevor Mc Cormack & Jacinta Mc Cormack (née Spollen)& dec. members of the Mc Cormack & Barclay families. James & Edward Glynn. Gerard & Kathleen Glynn.
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Geraldine, Patrick & Josephine Quirke.
<b>14th September</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>(JW) Also Live Streamed</b>
	<b>Vigil</b>	Patrick & Teresa Murray, Taughmaconnell.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b>
<b>15th September</b>	<b>12.00pm</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b> <b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Louis Mc Nally - Months Mind. Phil Daly. Anita Burke. Thomas Lacey. Kieran, Nuala & Deirdre Hunt and deceased family members.

### A Prayer for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we gather in humility and faith, seeking a deeper understanding of our identity in Christ. Lord, help us reflect on Your question, "Who do you say that I am?" help us to recognize You as our Savior and the cornerstone of our lives. In the stillness of our hearts, may we hear Your voice guiding us to greater truths. Fill us with the courage to boldly proclaim our faith, to embrace the call to discipleship, and to live as witnesses of Your love in the world.

As we journey through life, empower us to answer Your call with conviction and joy. Help us to understand that our identity is found not in the labels of this world but in the love You have for each of us. May our lives be a testament to the truth of who You are, as we continually seek to grow in faith and serve as instruments of Your peace.

Amen.

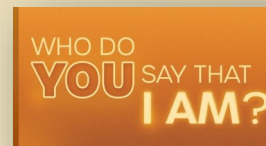


PARISH OF  
**SS. PETER & PAUL**  
Athlone, Drum & Clonown

## September 15th 2024 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time The Season of Creation Sept 1st—Oct 4th

*For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.*

Mark 8:35



**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**

**The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time readings highlight faith, trust in God, and the call to follow Christ. These themes show us how to live out our faith in everyday life.**

- **Listening to God:** Isaiah speaks about listening to God and not rebelling. We are called to be attentive to God's voice in our lives.
- **Enduring Suffering:** Isaiah describes the suffering servant. Suffering can be a part of our journey with God.
- **Faith and Works:** James emphasizes that faith without works is dead. Our actions must reflect our faith in God.
- **Confessing Jesus as Messiah:** In the Gospel, Peter confesses Jesus as the Messiah. Recognizing Jesus' true identity is essential for our faith.
- **Carrying the Cross:** Jesus calls us to take up our cross and follow Him. We must be willing to face challenges for our faith.
- **Losing Life to Save It:** Jesus teaches that losing our life for His sake leads to true life. Sacrifice is part of our commitment to Christ.

**These themes guide us to deepen our relationship with God and to live out our faith in practical ways. Reflecting on these can help us grow closer to Christ and strengthen our commitment to following Him.**

#### Mass of Gratitude

The parish Pastoral Council are inviting ALL Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Collectors from ALL three areas of the Parish to a Mass of gratitude and get together in Clonown Church and Hall On Wednesday September 18th at 7.30pm.

**Please contact either parish office to confirm your attendance for the purposes of catering.**

#### 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.

#### Collection for the Support of the Clergy

The Harvest Collection for the support of the clergy will be taken up next weekend. This collection is one of four that goes towards the wages of the three priests in the parish. In answer to a recent question the Priests do not receive anything from the parish towards the purchase or running of their cars. Envelopes are being delivered to you homes. **We thank you for your ongoing support.**

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

##### Season of Creation

An Ecumenical Service will be held in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church on **Wednesday October 2nd at 7.30pm.** All are welcome.

##### Parish Social

The Parish Pastoral Council are planning a Parish Social for **Sunday October 13th** in the Shamrock Lodge Hotel, from 6pm to 9pm.

**A light meal, music and dancing are planned. Full details later.**

##### Ss Peter & Paul's Folk Group

Are presenting an evening of musical entertainment with guest artists in The Shamrock Lodge Hotel on **November 15th** Doors open at 8pm Show starts 9pm.

**ALL proceeds are towards the St. Vincent's Care Centre Comfort Fund**

Tickets from any member of the Folk Group or call Helen on 0862463032.

#### 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 8th € 1,460.**

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

**Thank you for your ongoing contributions and generosity.**

**www.sspeterandpaulsparishathlone.com**

#### Drum Mass Intentions for Sept 14th – Sept 22nd

Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> @ 8 p.m. **(JW)** Kathleen and Jim Carr. Also, son John. Deceased members of the Carr and Brady families.  
 Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> @ 10 a.m. **(JD)** John and Mary Naughton, Clonellan. Also, dec. family members.  
 Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7 p.m. **(JW)** Dan and Mary O'Connor, Kiely. Also, deceased family members.  
 Thurs. 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7 p.m. **(JW)** No Intention.  
 Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11a.m. **(JW)** Mary Devine, Mihanboy - Month's Mind.  
 Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 8 p.m. **(CE)** Paddy Joe Ward, Mount Florence. Also, deceased family members.  
 Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 10 a.m. **(JW)** No Intention.

#### Clonown Mass Intentions Sept 15th – Sept 22nd

Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> @ 11.15 a.m. **(JW)** Sonny Cunningham. Oldtown. Also, deceased family members.  
 Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 11.15 a.m. **(CE)** Ned and Catherine Shine, Cappamore. Also, Joe Fahey.

#### Item Found

An item of jewellery was found near Drum Church. Please contact Drum parish office for more information on **090-6437125.**

#### 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 .**

#### Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the soul of Francis (Frank) Derwin, Coman's Park.

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

#### MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library will be in Monksland (SuperValu carpark) on 19th Sept. from 1pm -3.30pm. We have a great selection of books, e-books and audiobooks for all ages & library membership is free.

#### SVP Information Event

On Tuesday 17th September at 7.30pm on Zoom. The St. Vincent de Paul Teams in the Athlone area are looking for volunteers to visit those in need in your community. To find out more, please register for the SVP Information Event by emailing [Kathryn.corrigan@svp.ie](mailto:Kathryn.corrigan@svp.ie) or Freephone **1800 677 777.**

#### 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](mailto:stpetersparishathlone@gmail.com)**

#### 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.**