

## SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions

### Saturday 21st September to Sunday 29th 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>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Geraldine Quirke, Patrick & Josephine Quirke.
<b>21st September</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>(JW) Also Live Streamed</b> Patrick & Teresa Murray, Taughmaconnell.
	<b>Vigil</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> <b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>22nd September</b>	<b>12.00pm</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.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed (Novena &amp; Benediction)</b> No Intention.
<b>23rd September</b>		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
<b>24th September</b>		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(JW) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
<b>25th September</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>(CE) Blessed Sacrament Chapel.</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b> Thanksgiving Mass.
<b>26th September</b>		
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
<b>27th September</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Josephine & Hubert Carberry & son Tommy. Marie Tobin. John & Bessie Harrington and deceased family members of the Barlow Family, Lyster Street.
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b> No Intention.
<b>28th September</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> Maureen Beaumont - Months Mind. Maureen Mc Hugh - 1st Anniversary. Paul Revins.
	<b>Vigil</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>(JD) Also Live Streamed</b> <b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>29th September</b>	<b>12.00pm</b>	<b>(CE) Also Live Streamed</b> Maureen Byrne. Thomas & Phoebe Milton and deceased family members.

### A Prayer for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lord, as we navigate the complexities of life, remind us to ground our ambitions in humility and service. Instil in us a spirit of generosity that transcends material wealth, enabling us to serve the least among us. As we gather in worship today, fill our hearts with the peace that comes from knowing we are part of a greater purpose. We entrust our prayers to You, confident that You hear our cries and uphold us in every trial. May our lives reflect Your light and love, drawing others to Your everlasting grace.

Amen.



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

## September 22nd 2024 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time The Season of Creation Sept 1st—Oct 4th

If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.

Mark 9:35



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

**On the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we reflect on themes of humility, service, and the Christian life. The readings guide us to consider how we live out our faith in practical ways.**

- **True Wisdom:** The first reading shows the difference between earthly and heavenly wisdom. Earthly wisdom brings envy and selfish ambition, while heavenly wisdom brings peace and righteousness.
- **Humility in Service:** Jesus teaches the disciples about greatness through serving others. He places a child before them, showing that serving the least among us is the path to true greatness.
- **Righteous Suffering:** The first reading from Wisdom highlights how the righteous suffer at the hands of the wicked. It reminds us that following God may bring trials, but we must stay faithful.
- **Peaceful Living:** The second reading from James calls for peace and purity. It warns against jealousy and selfishness, urging us to seek peace and good deeds.
- **Childlike Faith:** Jesus' example of welcoming a child teaches us about humility and trust. We are called to have faith like children, trusting God completely and welcoming others with love.
- **Selfless Love:** The Gospel challenges us to put others first. By serving and loving others selflessly, we follow Christ's example and live out our faith.
- **Avoiding Conflicts:** James explains that conflicts come from selfish desires. By submitting to God and seeking His wisdom, we can avoid unnecessary strife and live in harmony.

**These themes encourage us to live humbly and serve others, reflecting Christ's love in our actions. As we reflect on these readings, let us commit to living out these values in our daily lives**

**Collection for the Support of the Clergy**

The Harvest Collection for the support of the clergy will be taken up this weekend. *This collection is one of four that goes towards the wages of the three priests in the parish.*

**We thank you for your ongoing support.**

**Parish Social**

The Parish Pastoral Council are planning a Parish Social for Sunday October 13th in the Shamrock Lodge Hotel, from 6pm to 9pm. Tickets on sale next weekend €10. per person.

**Music, dancing and a light supper**

**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.

**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.

**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 15th € 1,580.**

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

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

**www.sspeterandpaulsparishathlone.com  
www.churchservices.tv/athlone**

**Drum Mass Intentions for Sept 21st – Sept 29th**

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| Sat. 21 <sup>st</sup> 8 p.m.   | <b>(CE)</b> | Paddy Joe Ward, Mount Florence. Also, deceased family members.              |
| Sun. 22 <sup>nd</sup> 10 a.m.  | <b>(JW)</b> | No Intention.   |
| Tues. 24 <sup>th</sup> 7 p.m.  | <b>(JW)</b> | No Intention.   |
| Thurs. 26 <sup>th</sup> 7 p.m. | <b>(JD)</b> | No Intention.   |
| Sat. 28 <sup>th</sup> 11 a.m.  | <b>(JD)</b> | Mary Claire Grenham, Doohan - Month's Mind.                                 |
| Sat. 28 <sup>th</sup> 8 p.m.   | <b>(CE)</b> | Bea and Edmund McManus, Ardnanure. Son, Martin and deceased family members. |
| Sun. 29 <sup>th</sup> 10 a.m.  | <b>(CE)</b> | Patrick and Margaret Curley, Clonellan. Also, daughter Mary.                |

**Clonown Mass Intentions Sept 22nd – Sept 29th**

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| Sun. 22 <sup>nd</sup> 11.15 a.m. | <b>(CE)</b> | Ned and Catherine Shine, Cappamore. Also, Joe Fahey. |
| Sat. 28 <sup>th</sup> 12.00 p.m. | <b>(BP)</b> | Johnny Halligan, Buggane. Month's Mind.              |
| Sun. 29 <sup>th</sup> 11.15 a.m. | <b>(JD)</b> | No Intention.  |

**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 souls of Bridie Egan (née Egan), Athlone. Dr. Michael Francis McGrath, Athlone/Kerry. Brother to Ollie McGrath, Westwood and Natasha Shine, Crannaghmore.

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

**Coffee Morning for Mayo/Roscommon Hospice**

In Drum Community Centre on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September from 9am – 1pm. Organised by Drum I.C.A. Please support this worthy cause.

**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**

**Coffee Morning**

In aid of **East Galway and Midlands Cancer Support centre & LPI Ireland.** Kindly hosted by Kevin & Mary Flynn in their home in Ballydangan on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September from 10am.

Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**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.**

<b>Job Ref:</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Project Area</b>
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.**