



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



**October 20th 2024
29th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions


Saturday 19th October to Sunday 27th October 2024

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

Saturday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
19th October	6.30pm Vigil	(CE) Also Live Streamed Imelda Joyce - 1st Anniversary. Jimmy & Mary Kirwin. Chris Keleghan.
Sunday	9.00am	(CE) Also Live Streamed
20th October	12.00pm	People of the Parish (JD) Also Live Streamed Annie Dawson. Paddy O'Reilly. Mary Mulligan (Fry Place) & deceased family members. David, Thomas & Martin Joe Egan.
Monday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed (Novena & Benediction)
21st October		For the safety of our Troops on Peace Keeping duties in the Middle East.
Tuesday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed
22nd October		Niall Fitzgerald.
Wednesday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed
23rd October		No Intention.
	6.00pm	(CE) Blessed Sacrament Chapel.
Thursday	9.30am	(CE) Also Live Streamed
24th October		No Intention.
Friday	9.30am	(CE) Also Live Streamed
25th October		No Intention.
	7.30pm	(JD) Also Live Streamed Paddy & Peggy Corcoran. The Waters Family. Ciss Keegan. Pamela Ward. Patricia Ryan. Sarah Smyth. Jack, Martin, Paul & Tony Downey. Kevin Quigley, Ann & Barbara Quigley.
Saturday	9.30am	(CE) Also Live Streamed
	10.30am	(MD) Also Live Streamed Sr. Assunta Tiernan - 1st Anniversary.
26th October	6.30pm Vigil	(JD) Also Live Streamed No Intention.
Sunday	9.00am	(CE) Also Live Streamed
27th October	12.00pm	People of the Parish (JD) Also Live Streamed Eamon & Clare Gleeson. Nancy Goode. Joe & Nell Geraghty.

A Prayer for Mission Sunday 2024

Heavenly Father, on this Mission Sunday, we gather in gratitude for the gift of faith and the call to serve. We pray for the strength to be missionaries of Your love in our homes, communities, and throughout the world. Inspire our hearts to reach out to those in need, to share the Good News with joy and compassion, and to bring hope to the despairing. May our actions reflect Your mercy and grace, guiding others to encounter Christ through us. As we remember our brothers and sisters in the missions, may we support them with our prayers and resources, fostering a spirit of unity and purpose. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.




Saint Bernadette
Relic Pilgrimage Ireland 2024

**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
2pm	Rosary
4pm	Guided prayer time <i>(Blessing with Lourdes Holy Water)</i>
6pm	The Angelus and the Rosary
6.30pm	Mass of St. Bernadette Evening Mass followed by <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and individual Confessions Finishing with Prayers from 8.30 til 9pm</i>
Sunday November 3rd	
9am	Mass of our Lady of Lourdes
12 Noon	The Angelus / Mass of our Lady of Lourdes <i>Followed by Anointing of the Sick</i>
2pm	Rosary
4pm	Holy Hour
6pm	The Angelus & The Rosary
8pm	The Way of the Cross from Lourdes
Monday November 4th	
9.30am	Mass of the Immaculate Conception <i>Mass, Novena and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
11.45am	Mid-Day Prayer ending with The Angelus & Benediction



To Contact the Priest on Duty Call 085 870 5840

The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time readings focus on the nature of true discipleship and Jesus' mission. They remind us of the importance of serving others and trusting in God's plan.

- **Suffering Servant:** Isaiah speaks of a servant who suffers for others' sins. This shows how Jesus took on suffering to save us.
- **Christ's Priesthood:** Hebrews tells us Jesus is a high priest who understands our weaknesses. He intercedes for us before God.
- **Seeking Greatness:** James and John ask Jesus for high positions. Jesus teaches them that greatness comes through serving others.
- **Sacrificial Love:** Jesus explains He came to serve and give His life. This reflects Isaiah's prophecy and calls us to love sacrificially.
- **Humility in Service:** Jesus emphasises humility in leadership. True leaders serve others, not themselves.
- **Approaching God with Confidence:** Hebrews encourages us to approach God confidently for mercy. This is possible because Jesus, our high priest, understands our struggles.

These themes teach us about serving others and trusting in Jesus. They call us to follow Jesus' example of humility and love.

Volunteers for the visit of the Relics of St. Bernadette

As you are aware we have the great privilege of hosting the Relics of St. Bernadette from November 2nd to November 4th in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church. We need your help as stewards during this time as we expect a lot of visitors to venerate the relics.

If you are able to help, please visit the parish website and register your interest in being a volunteer or let Martina know by contacting the Parish office 090 6492171. Thank You.

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

We hope to start a monthly Youth Led Mass shortly. 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 Ms. Nally in Coláiste Chiaráin.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Army Memorial Mass

Will be held on **1st November** in St. Peter & Paul's Church @ 12 noon. Celebrant Fr. Declan Shannon.

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. Contact any member of the Folk Group for tickets or call Helen on 0862463032.

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

Samaritans Christmas Concert

The Samaritans are hosting a concert with the Army Band of 2nd Brigade, Tenor Paul Linehan, Athlone Pipe Band and Athlone A Cappella Choir. It will be held on **5th December** at 8pm in St. Peter & Paul's Church. Tickets are €20 & can be purchased in Mulligans shop, Roscommon Road, Cunninghams Pharmacy & Whyte's Pharmacy. **Please try and support this worthy cause.**

Heating in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church

We have turned on the heating in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church. We estimate at current oil prices that it will be costing in the region of €800 per week. Envelopes will be available at the back of the church should you be in a position to help us with this cost your donation no matter how small would be greatly appreciated.

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 October 13th € 1,730.

Thank you for your ongoing contributions and generosity.

Drum Mass Intentions for Oct 19th - Oct 27th

Sat. 19th 8 p.m. (JD) Pat Keena, Cornafulla & dec. members of the Keena & Faherty families.
 Sun. 20th 10 a.m. (JD) Patrick & Teresa Murray, Culfatha.
 Tues. 22nd 7 p.m. (CE) Martin McManus, Clonrulla. Also, deceased family members.
 Thurs. 24th 7 p.m. (CE) Sean Coyle, late of Ardkeenan.
 Sat. 26th 8 p.m. (CE) Christy McManus formerly Thornhill and Manchester.
 Sun. 27th 10 a.m. (JD) Patrick Hogg, Crannaghmore.

Clonown Mass Intentions Oct 20th - Oct 27th

Sun. 20th 11.15 a.m. (CE) Mary & Paddy Dunning, Ballinaculla.
 Sun. 27th 11.15 a.m. (CE) Sean Boyle, St. Coman's Park.

Lost & Found Drum Parish

An item of Jewellery was found near Drum Church. Please contact the parish office at **090-6437125**

Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the souls of Mark O'Connor, Magazine Ave. & Willie Quinn Roscommon Rd.
May they rest in the peace of Christ.

Saint Peter & Paul - Parish Office Closed

The parish office will be closed from Monday 21st October reopening on Tuesday 29th Oct. For Mass Intentions and all certificates please contact the Sacristy **090 6494150**. Priest on call **085 8705840**.

The Disciples of the Divine Master (Chapel of Adoration & Liturgical Centre)

Are celebrating 100 years of foundation, you are all invited to a Thanksgiving Mass on 28/11/24 at 12pm. Celebrant will be Bishop Kevin Doran.

If you wish to attend kindly contact the Liturgical Centre 090 6492278.

Thank You!

Kevin and Mary Flynn, Ballydangan would sincerely like to thank everyone who helped in any way with their Coffee Morning held on 27th September, they raised €3,000!

'Women in Local Leadership'

Free 8 week part-time course starting on Wednesday 23rd Oct. 10.00-13.00 in Monksland community centre. Women of all backgrounds and life experience welcome. call 0949621690

Mission Month

World Mission Sunday (20 October) is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. October and World Mission Sunday is a time for the faithful of the world to show their appreciation towards the work of overseas missionaries. Please donate €4.00 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. To learn more go to www.missio.ie

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
2360066	Caretaker/Grounds person	Clonown Church & Parish Hall.
2356298	Caretaker/Grounds Person	St. Peters Parish Centre.
2350792	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Drum Church & Parish Hall.
2350793	Cleaner/Caretaker	Monksland Community Centre.
2360063	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Gentex Football Club.
2359010	Caretaker/Grounds-person	Monksland Community Centre.
2360064	Caretaker/Grounds-person	St. Francis FC.
2360065	Environmental Worker	Monksland Tidy Towns.
2346955	Receptionist/Administrator	Monksland Community Centre.
2356290	Receptionist/Administrator	St. Peters Parish Project Office.

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.