



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

Weekly Newsletter

June 15th 2025 / Feast of the Holy Trinity / Father's Day



But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth.

John 16:13

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are issued from the Sacristy (090 6494 150)

Drum Mass Intentions for June 14th - June 22nd.



Sat. 14th -11 am (JW) Aodhán O'Faoláin, Dublin/Summerhill -
Month's Mind.
- 8 pm (SE) Mary & James Dooley, Sligo/Athlone
and deceased members of the Dooley
& O'Dwyer families.
Sun. 15th -10 am (SE) Tommy & Nancy McDonnell, Clonark.
Tues.17th - 7 pm (JD) John McManus, Nure. His parents
John, Annie & Joe Nolan.
Thurs.19th - 7 pm (JW) John & Pat Hynes. Margaret Duffy,
Johnstown/Clonark.
Sat. 21st - 8 pm (JW) John & Margaret Caulfield, Doohan
and deceased family members.
Sun. 22nd -10 am (JW) Frank & Mary McManus, Ardnare
and deceased family members.

Church gate collection on June 21st & 22nd for the assisted
pilgrim fund to Lourdes.

SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions Saturday 14th June to Sunday 22nd June 2025

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

Saturday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed For all those who find life difficult.
14th June	6.30pm Vigil	(JW) Also Live Streamed For all father's past & present.
Sunday	9.00am	(JW) Also Live Streamed People of the Parish
15th June	12.00pm	(SE) Also Live Streamed Michael Cahill - Month's Mind. Damian (Damo) Kelly - Month's Mind. Roseleen Conway.
Monday	9.30am	(JW) Also Live Streamed Mass, Novena & Benediction Frank Shaw, his daughter Nicola & granddaughter Donna Mc Guire.
Tuesday	9.30am	(JW) Also Live Streamed The Holy Souls & deceased members of the Egan Family.
Wednesday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed For our deceased parishioners.
18th June	6.00pm 7.30pm	(JW) Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (JW) St.Peter & Paul's Parish - Medjugorje Pilgrimage Mass.
Thursday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed For respect for all human life.
Friday	9.30am	(JD) Also Live Streamed For peace in our world.
20th June	7.30pm	(JW) Also Live Streamed Pat Tobin - Month's Mind. James & Julia O'Donoghue. Julie O'Donoghue. Thomas O' Donohue. Marguerite Moriarty. All deceased members of the O'Donohue, Killeen & Farrelly families. Jason Warilow. Martin Lohan.
Saturday	9.30am	(JW) Also Live Streamed Angie & Michael Cunningham.
21st June	6.30pm Vigil	(JD) Also Live Streamed Jimmy Hussey - Month's Mind. Linda Begley. William (Bill) Courtney.
Sunday	9.00am	(JD) Also Live Streamed People of the Parish
22nd June	12.00pm	(JW) Also Live Streamed Michael J. Keena - Month's Mind. Frank Greene. Bridget, David, John, Thomas and Martin Joe Egan.

Clonown Mass Intentions for June 15th - June 22nd.



June 15th	11.15am (JW)	Willie Greene, Cappamore and deceased family members.
June 22nd	11.15am (JD)	May & Johnny Harney. Nell and John Salmon ,Ballinaculla.

Church gate collection on June 22nd for the assisted pilgrim
fund to Lourdes.

To Contact the Priest on Duty Call 085 870 5840 www.athloneparish.ie

Trinity Sunday celebrates the mystery of the Holy Trinity.

The readings help us understand God's wisdom, love, and truth through the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Wisdom's Role in Creation: The first reading from Proverbs speaks of Wisdom present at the creation of the world. This shows the involvement of God's wisdom in all creation.

Justification by Faith: In Romans, Paul tells us that we are justified by faith and have peace with God. This peace comes through Jesus Christ, showing our connection to God through faith.

Hope and Endurance: Paul also speaks of enduring afflictions, which build character and hope. This hope is because of the Holy Spirit within us, highlighting the Spirit's role in our lives.

Spirit of Truth: Jesus, in the Gospel, promises the Spirit of truth who will guide us. This Spirit will reveal God's truth to us, showing how the Holy Spirit helps us understand God's will.

Unity of the Trinity: Jesus speaks of the unity between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Everything the Father has is also the Son's, showing their deep connection and shared mission.

God's Delight in Humanity: Proverbs mentions that Wisdom found delight in the human race. This highlights that God takes joy in His creation, especially humanity.

Trinity Sunday reminds us of the interconnectedness of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

It calls us to reflect on how each Person of the Trinity is active in our lives.

Feast of Corpus Christi / The Body & Blood of Christ

Next Weekend June 21st and 22nd Eucharistic Processions after

6.30pm Vigil Mass (Town) Saturday From Ss. Peter & Paul's Church to the Grotto on Battery Road

8pm Vigil Mass (Drum) Saturday From St. Brigid's Church to the Cemetery

11.15am (Clonown) Sunday From our Lady of the Wayside Chapel to the Cemetery

Athlone Deanery One Day Pilgrimage To Lough Derg (St. Patrick's Purgatory) Saturday 23rd August 2025

Bus Pick ups at Ss. Peter & Paul's, Kilfoom and Knockcroghery Churches

PRE-BOOKING YOUR PLACE IS ESSENTIAL Cost €50 per person - pay on the day, cash please.

Price includes Bus and admission to Island

Spiritual Director Fr. Joseph Curate, Drum, Athlone 090-6437125 To book or enquire Email: loughderg@athloneparish.ie

Rally for Life, 1:30pm Sat 5th July 2025, Parnell Square, Dublin, preceded by Mass at 12 noon St Saviour's, Dominic Street (D01 VH96). Bus departs Athlone at 8:30 am. Bus fare €25. Booking essential. Contact Siobhan on **083 0254 809**.

Car Parking at Ss. Peter & Paul's Church.

A friendly reminder to all who use the car park at Ss. Peter and Paul's Church: this space is primarily intended for those visiting the church. We have noticed an increase in all-day parking, particularly from individuals heading to work in the surrounding areas.

We kindly request that you be mindful of those who need to access the church, especially our elderly and less mobile parishioners.

Alternative parking options, including three public car parks near the courthouse, are readily available.

Your consideration in finding a more suitable long-term parking solution will help us avoid implementing restrictive measures like pay parking or clamping, which we would prefer to avoid. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in ensuring the car park remains accessible for its intended purpose.

St. Peter & Paul's Parish - Medjugorje Pilgrimage Mass 2025

Wednesday June 18th @ 7.30pm in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church.

Spiritual director is Rev. Fr. Joseph Wenjeslaus.

Come and See

The National Vocations Office of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference are holding a day for men (aged over 18 years) interested in exploring the priesthood. It takes place at Knock House Hotel (F12R645) on Sunday, 13th July from 11am to 4.30pm (including Eucharist). Further details: email carol.king@vocations.ie / www.vocations.ie

St. Peter & Paul's Church Choir

Are looking for new members to join the choir. If you are interested please contact PJ Stacey **087 2486206**.

Annual Mass of the Angels

The Annual Mass of the Angels will be held on **Wednesday August 20th in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church at 7.30 at pm**. The Celebrant this year will be Bishop Kevin Doran. After the Mass we will unveil and bless a memorial in the church grounds to remember the little ones called home too soon.

First Friday Holy Communion Calls

Fr. John would like to hear from anyone in the parish who would like to be added to his monthly First Friday Holy Communion Call list. Please contact the parish office **090 - 6492171**.

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
2395718	Caretaker/Grounds person Clonown Church & Parish Hall.
2395979	Caretaker/Grounds-person Drum Church & Parish Hall.
2395711	Caretaker/Grounds-person Gentex Football Club.
2392596	Caretaker/Grounds-person Monksland Community Centre.
2395624	Environmental Worker Monksland Tidy Towns.
2392173	Caretaker/Grounds-person St. Peter's Church.
2389762	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.

Pilgrim Passport for Jubilee Year 2025

As part of the Jubilee Year 2025, a 'pilgrim passport' will be available at each of the three designated national sites (**Knock Shrine, Croagh Patrick, Lough Derg**), detailing the unique elements of the pilgrimage experience at each destination. The passport will be stamped upon completion of the pilgrimage at each location. Those who complete a pilgrimage to all three sites will receive a Commemorative Lapel Pin in recognition of this achievement.

Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the souls of

Maura Casey (née Goode), Monksland.

Brian Dawson, St. Joseph's Villas.

Nancy Nicolson (née Duignan), Kilmacormack, Drum.

Annette Noone (née O'Rourke), Tuam, Co. Galway.

May they rest in the peace of Christ.

Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Weekly

Offertory Collection

Thank you for your ongoing contributions and generosity.

If you wish to set up a weekly / monthly

standing order for your contribution

(Please ensure you include your envelope number in the narrative section)

Ss Peter & Pauls Church IBAN IE68 AIBK 9322 6436 857014 BIC AIBKIE2D

St. Brigid's Church IBAN IE92 AIBK 9322 6411 809048 BIC AIBKIE2D

Clonown Church IBAN IE46 AIBK 9322 6406 860063 BIC AIBKIE2D

Support of the Priests IBAN IE69 AIBK 9322 6436 857287 BIC AIBKIE2D