



For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. *Luke 16:8*

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**Baptism, Confirmation & Marriage Certificates**  
are issued from the Sacristy (090 6494 150)

## Drum Mass Intentions for September 20th - September 28th.

**Sat. 20th - 8 pm (JW)** Tom, Kate, Tony & John Joe Rock, Cornafulla South. Also, Coley Barry.  
**Sun. 21st - 10 am (JD)** Joe Berrigan & his sister Sr. Marian Berrigan, Clonark and deceased family members.  
**Tues. 23rd - 7 pm (JD)** No Intention.  
**Thurs. 25th - 7 pm (JW)** Paddy Joe Ward, Mount Florence and deceased family members.  
**Sat. 27th - 8 pm (JD)** Bea & Edmund McManus, Ardnature and their son Martin McManus.  
**Sun. 28th - 10 am (JW)** Peter, Kathleen, Pauline and Peter Watson, Kilmacormack.

### Booking of Masses in Drum & Clonown

Are taking **Mass Bookings for 2026** in Drum and Clonown Churches. Contact the Parish Office @ 090-6437125 or email – [drumoffice@athloneparish.ie](mailto:drumoffice@athloneparish.ie)

## SS Peter & Paul Church Mass Intentions

**Saturday 20th September to Sunday 28th September 2025**

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

**Saturday 9.30am (JD) Also Live Streamed**  
11.00am (JD) Maura Walsh - Month's Mind.  
**20th Sept. 6.30pm Vigil (JD) Also Live Streamed**  
Mary Craughwell - Month's Mind.  
Geraldine, Patrick & Josephine Quirke.  
Anne Egan - 36th Anniversary.  
Thomas Lacey.  
Gerry & James Glynn and deceased family members.  
Annie & Johnny Murray.  
Mary & Dan Grenham.  
**(JW) Also Live Streamed People of the Parish**  
**(JD) Also Live Streamed**  
Madge Kelly- Month's Mind.  
Phil Daly.  
Anita Burke.  
**(JW) Also Live Streamed Mass, Novena & Benediction**  
Charlie & Ollie Francis.  
Chrissy & Ann Corrigan.  
**(JW) Also Live Streamed Dean Kelly-New School Year Mass.**  
**(JD) Also Live Streamed "Mercy Day"**  
Mass with the Mercy Sisters and the Pupils of St. Peters National School  
**(JW) Blessed Sacrament Chapel (JD) Also Live Streamed**  
No Intention booked  
**(JW) Also Live Streamed**  
No Intention booked  
**(JD) Also Live Streamed**  
Siobhán Francis Mc Callon.  
Marie Tobin, Monksland.  
Hubert & Josephine Carberry and their son Tommy.  
**(JD) Also Live Streamed**  
No Intention booked  
**(JW) Also Live Streamed**  
Ann Hewitt – Month's Mind.  
Patrick & Teresa Murray and deceased family members.  
Maureen Mc Hugh.  
**(JD) Also Live Streamed People of the Parish**  
**(JW) Also Live Streamed**  
Maureen Byrne.  
Thomas & Phoebe Milton and deceased family members.  
Paul Revins.  
**The recent church gate collection in aid of Pro Life raised €385.**  
**Your support was greatly appreciated.**

## Clonown Mass Intentions for September 21st – September 28th.

**Sunday 21st 11.15am (JW)** Ned and Catherine Shine, Clonown. Also, Joe Fahey.  
**Sunday 28th 11.15am (JD)** Sonny & Kathleen Cunningham, Oldtown and deceased family members.

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## Welcome New Parishioners

If you are new to our Parish and would like to register as a parishioner. Please go to the following webpage to register. Thank you. [www.athloneparish.ie](http://www.athloneparish.ie) (link is on the right)



**The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time calls us to reflect on our use of worldly resources and our responsibilities to others.**  
**The readings challenge us to live with honesty, justice, and faithfulness to God above all else.**

- **Justice for the poor:** The first reading reminds us that God cares about the poor and condemns cheating and exploitation. We are called to treat others with fairness and care for those in need.
- **Honesty in daily life:** The Gospel warns against dishonesty and urges us to act with integrity. God sees how we handle small things, and our choices reveal our loyalty to Him.
- **Prioritising God over wealth:** Jesus teaches that we cannot serve both God and money. We must decide where our true allegiance lies and choose what leads to eternal life.
- **Prayer for all people:** The second reading encourages us to pray for everyone, including leaders and those in authority. This reminds us that peace and order come from God's guidance and our prayers.
- **Responsible use of resources:** The Gospel challenges us to use our talents and possessions wisely for God's kingdom. Earthly goods are tools for doing good and helping others.
- **Faithful service to God:** Jesus calls us to be faithful in our responsibilities. By serving God with sincerity, we show our love and trust in Him.

**The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time helps us reflect on our values and choices.**  
**It challenges us to live with faith, integrity, and care for others in all that we do.**

#### Harvest Collection

The Harvest Collection for the support of the clergy in the parish will be taken up this weekend. This is one of four collections taken up each year to support the clergy in our parish. Envelopes are being delivered to your home for this collection, should you not receive an envelope you can simply write your name, envelope number on any envelope and mark it as "Harvest Collection", or by scanning the QR Code.



***We the priests of the parish thank you for your ongoing support and encouragement.***

#### Jubilee of Marriages 2025

Jubilee Mass Couples celebrating their Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond, Platinum or other wedding anniversaries are invited to attend a Jubilee Mass, along with their families and friends, on: **Sunday 5th October at 2.30pm in Sligo Cathedral** (F91 CF59) or **Sunday 19th October at 2.30pm in Strokestown Church** (F42 Y422). *Light refreshments will be served...*

#### THE BUTTERFLY CHOIR:

A creative project for people who have experienced stillbirth & neonatal loss, however long ago. All levels of singing experience welcome. No costs involved. Meeting on Saturdays in September and October in Roscommon Town (Roscommon Arts Centre and the South Roscommon Family Resource Centre) Contact : Text Dee on **086 0750493** or email Lou on **butterflychoir@gmail.com**

#### Coffee Morning

In aid of East Galway & Midlands Cancer Support Centre and LPI Ireland kindly hosted by Kevin and Mary Flynn in their home in Ballydangan Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September from 10.00am.

#### Short breaks Scheme

Would you be interested in providing home from home short breaks for children and adults who have an intellectual disability? Brothers of Charity Services Ireland, Homeshare Roscommon are recruiting host carers. Training and support provided. Tax exempt Allowances paid. For further information email [homeshareroscommon@bocsi.ie](mailto:homeshareroscommon@bocsi.ie) or phone Catherine on **090 6628500 / 087 2126607**.

**Coffee Morning in aid of Roscommon Hospice** in Drum Community Centre on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September from 9am - 1pm.  
 Organised by Drum I.C.A. Please support this worthy cause.

#### Vespers (evening prayer) & Taizé meditation

In the chapel of Coláiste Chiaráin,  
 Tuesday evenings from 7pm, led by Deacon Tony Larkin.  
 All are welcome.

#### Concert for Children in Cambodia

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October at the Dean Crowe Theatre.  
 Artists : Shaskeen, MegaTrad, Trish Reilly & Sarah Clogher.  
 Dancers. Tickets : [www.deancrowetheatre.com](http://www.deancrowetheatre.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
<b>2412359</b>	Caretaker/Grounds person Clonown Church & Parish Hall.
<b>2410301</b>	Caretaker/Grounds-person Drum Church & Parish Hall.
<b>2412364</b>	Caretaker/Grounds-person Gentex Football Club.
<b>2412357</b>	Caretaker/Grounds-person Monksland Community Centre.
<b>2412361</b>	Environmental Worker Monksland Tidy Towns.

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.

#### Part-Time Sacristan - Drum Church

Is required for Drum Church. If interested please contact the Drum parish office **090 6437125**.

#### New Altar Servers

We invite those interested in becoming an altar server in any of the three churches in the parish to complete the online application form on the parish website [www.athloneparish.ie](http://www.athloneparish.ie)

#### Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Weekly

##### Offertory Collection

**Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup> € 2,035.**

**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)*

<b>Ss Peter &amp; Pauls Church</b>	<b>IBAN</b> IE68 AIBK 9322 6436 857014 <b>BIC</b> AIBKIE2D
<b>St. Brigid's Church</b>	<b>IBAN</b> IE92 AIBK 9322 6411 809048 <b>BIC</b> AIBKIE2D
<b>Clonown Church</b>	<b>IBAN</b> IE46 AIBK 9322 6406 860063 <b>BIC</b> AIBKIE2D
<b>Support of the Priests</b>	<b>IBAN</b> IE69 AIBK 9322 6436 857287 <b>BIC</b> AIBKIE2D