

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church)
(Saturday, 17th September - Sunday, 25th September)**

Saturday:	6.30 p.m.	Kieran & Deirdre Hunt
Sunday:	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Mary & Tom Gill
	12 noon	Pauline Butler
Monday:	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
	7.30 p.m.	"NOVENA" Carmel, Michelle & Damien La Hart Mary & James Finneran, Eddie McNamara
Tuesday:	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
Wednesday:	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
Thursday:	9.30 a.m.	John, Paddy & Anne McGrath, Peter & Joan Lynan, Mike & Wendy Dunleavey
Friday:	9.30 a.m.	Teasie & Jackie Gribbin
	7.30 p.m.	"SHARED MASS" Marie Tobin, Sylvester Sn. Jnr & John Hanley Thomas Lacey
Saturday:	9.30 a.m.	Patrick & Bridie Carty
	6.30 p.m.	Martin Coleman (Month's Mind)
Sunday:	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Ray O'Rourke
	12 noon	Michael Hogan, Willie Carty, Eileen & James Hogan

REST IN PEACE

PADDY JOE CONNOR, R.I.P., Clonark
DOLORES NOLAN, R.I.P., Stillorgan, Dublin (sister of Marie Fuery, Iona Park)
JOE CULLEN, R.I.P., Chapel St.
 May God grant them eternal rest and comfort and console their bereaved families relatives and friends.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, 11th September.....€1,968.00

Ss. Peter & Paul's Parish
Athlone
Drum & Clonown
Parish Newsletter

**TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY
 IN
 ORDINARY TIME**

18th September 2016

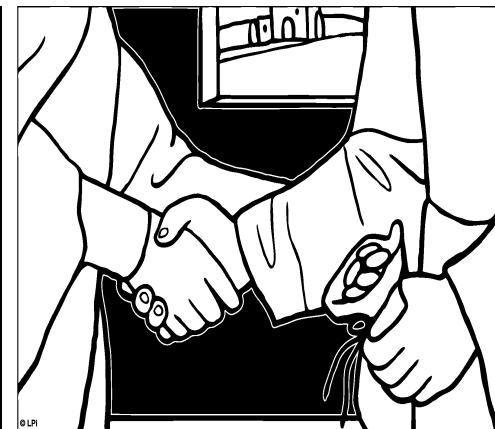
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"For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon."

— Lk 16:8b, 13

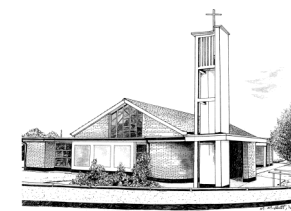
Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass (2001, 1998, 1970 CCD)



**Ss. Peter & Paul's Church,
 Athlone**



**St. Brigid's Church,
 Drum**



**Church of Our Lady of the
 Wayside, Clonown**

REFLECTION - Looking Ahead



When I write these columns, I try to look ahead and leave a space for unforeseen events or what is called the deadly writer's block. If you've ever had to submit a piece of written work on time. You will be familiar with that term. You sit before a blank white page (or computer screen), and, as you sit...not a hint of creative thinking appears. So you wait and wait...and as you try to quell the rising panic you hope that any idea will surface.

Everyone has their own way of dealing with this sort of block. I find that if I sit long enough and just write or type any words or phrase, the ideas juggle along - and soon they take a humble shape. The humble shape my words take today is about the manager's character and why Jesus might find such a rogue interesting.

When his dishonesty is exposed, he is ready to make a big adjustment to his life. He is willing to sacrifice his own financial commissions to make friends, eagerly hoping and trusting that they will help him out later. So, this rogue (and most rogues are likeable) is very creative and resourceful in looking ahead. He doesn't just have a fame for squandering property - now he stars in one of Jesus' parables! (Kathryn Williams pdm)

PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL -

ELPHIN DIOCESAN CATECHIST INFORMATION EVENINGS 7.30 - 8.30 P.M.

MONDAY Sept. 26th in Shamrock Lodge Hotel . Would you like to learn more about Bishop Kevin's invitation to consider becoming a Catechist in the Diocese of Elphin? Information evenings are oriented towards women and men open to considering becoming Diocesan Catechists. All welcome.

GROW GROUP....."Grow world Community Mental Health Movement meets every Wed. at 7.30 p.m. in the Belhavel Training Centre (opp. Golden Island Shopping Centre). If you feel anxious, isolated or depressed why not learn a practical psychology of mental health by joining us? All welcome. Contact Assumpta 086-8114135

ST. HILDA'S HAPPY STEPS 5k/WALK.....Sunday 25th Sept. at 2 p.m. Starts and finishes at St. Hilda's, Grace Park, Rd. Entry fee €10 and 20 family. This promises to be a fun event for all ages with refreshments and entertainment. All proceeds for the development of respite services.0

COFFEE MORNING FOR WESTMEATH HOSPICE CARE on Thur. 22nd Sept. 10 - 12 noon at Sr. Bernard's residence, Tearmon Míceál, The Docks, Athlone. Your support would be much appreciated.

Evening Classes Athlone Community College: enrolment evening Tues. 27th Sept. 6 - 8 p.m. Call 0858087123/0906472625 or download the brochure on Facebook Evening Classes Athlone Community College. Brochures also available from school reception

DRUM MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 17th	8 p.m.	Tom Naughton, Johnstown
Sun. 18th	10 a.m.	Frank & Teresa Naughton, Doohan
Mon. - 19th - Wed. 21st		No Mass
Thur. 22nd	7 p.m.	Private Intentions
Fri. 23rd		No Mass
Sat. 24th	8 p.m.	Tim & Nancy Lennon, Kilmacormack
Sun. 25th	10 a.m.	Patrick & Teresa Murray and deceased family, Culfatha.

Servers: Saturday 24th Sept. Team 11 Sunday 25th Sept. Team 3.

Clann na Gael Ladies Board Cake Sale takes place on Sunday, 18th September at 11 a.m in the clubhouse in Johnstown. Please support.

Eucharistic Adoration: Please consider committing to a weekly hour of prayer in chapel of Adoration, Castle St. People needed for Tues. 11am, Wed 5am, Wed 5pm, Thurs.5pm, Sat.4pm. Please contact Liturgical Centre on 0906492278

DRUM COMMUNITY CENTRE - INTRODUCTION TO YOGA - A class on Thurs. 22nd Sept. in Drum Community Centre. Fee €3. Further information contact 0864672685.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 12th Sept.
€200: Matilda & Daisy, €50: Thomas & Liam Ward & €30: Julie Dollery

YEAR OF MERCY HOLY HOUR - Wed. 21st Sept. 8 - 9 p.m. chapel of Adoration, Castle St. Canon Devine will speak on mercy. All welcome.

Monsignor McCarthy Family Resource Centre that their "RAINBOWS SERVICES" will commence in our "Children's First building at 63 Battery Heights on Mon. 26th Sept. (6.30 - 7.30 P.m.) Prior contact must be made in order to ensure individual needs. Tel. 090-6494336 / 086-2211110

The Monthly Hour for the HOLY SOULS continues in the Adoration chapel on Sat. 24th Sept. from 4 - 5 p.m. You are invited to this special time of prayer for the Holy Souls.

Athlone film Club presents the film "Older than Ireland" Tuesday, 20th September in Dean Crowe Theatre at 8 p.m. New members welcome.

CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. 18th:	Dan Grenham
Sun. 25th	Sonny & Kathleen Cunningham