

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church)  
(Saturday, 12th November - Sunday, 20th November)**

<b>Saturday:</b>	6.30 p.m.	Frank & Maureen Sherlock
<b>Sunday:</b>	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Jackie & Nellie Gough
	12 noon	Michael McManus
<b>Monday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Patrick, Susan, Madge & Patricia Naughton
	7.30 p.m.	<b>"NOVENA"</b> Mary Maher, Joe, Rose, Margaret, Billy, Patrick & Jimmy Cassidy, Martin Downey.
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
<b>Wednesday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
<b>Thursday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
<b>Friday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Private Intention
	7.30 p.m.	<b>"SHARED MASS"</b> Gerry Caldwell (Month's Mind), Mary Jo Gaffey, Nora Walsh, Frank Killian, Colm Norton, William Wallace & deceased family, Mike & Vera Harney, Tom & Bridget Keegan, Jack & Teresa Keegan, Tom & Margaret Concanon & John & Kitty Keena and Deceased family, Holy Souls.
<b>Saturday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	George Bannon
	6.30 p.m.	James Duffy (1st Anniversary)
<b>Sunday:</b>	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Martin, Mary, Liam & Rita O'Connor
	12 noon	William & Mary Clarke

**REST IN PEACE**

**BRIDGET O'NEILL, R.I.P.,** Tuam Road, Monksland

May God grant her eternal rest and comfort and console her bereaved family, her relatives and friends.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, 6th November ..... € 2,275.00**

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

**Thirty-third Sunday  
In Ordinary Time**

13th November 2016

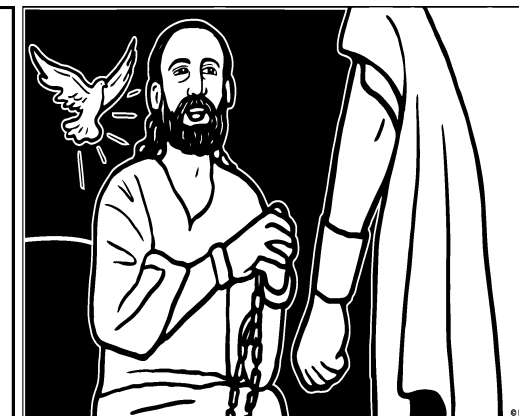
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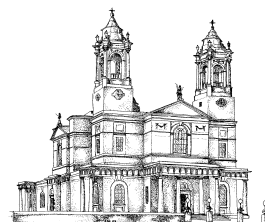
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*"I will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute." — Lk 21:13-15*

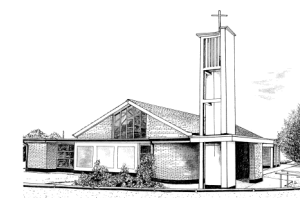
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**Ss. Peter & Paul's Church,  
Athlone**



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



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

## REFLECTION - Building a Future



Whenever we desire to build something new, it is good to notice how a sense of excitement takes root in our hearts. We imagine new possibilities ahead and dream of doing new things. Building something new is also a time of learning, for upon completion, we might say to ourselves, *"If I did it again, I would do it differently!"*

And then, when I read today's gospel, with Jesus reminding us of the end of all things, I thought of the times I have set out to build or create something and just how much I wanted to get it right the first time....And yet I know that when a project is completed I will notice flaws and mistakes that are not quite right nor quite how I wanted it all to be. So, what has this to do with a Gospel where Jesus speaks frankly about a future with a script that would make a good thriller movie? Maybe he is reminding us that in our discipleship, we can continue to build and dream of something better. As his disciples, we can even take such steps that it will not be built without us. Along the way, the mistakes and flaws are actually part of the building process. And furthermore, we have the assurance from Jesus that no matter what happens, he can be trusted.

*(Kathryn Williams pddm)*

**THE THREE TENORS IRELAND** will be presenting a Christmas Concert of carols and traditional songs in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church on Sunday, 18th December at 8.00 p.m. Tickets: €25 each. It will be their first performance in Athlone. Don't miss it!

**AUTUMN STATIONS - MONKSLAND AREA.....**A STATION Mass is a Mass hosted in your home for you and your neighbours/friends. It is a nice opportunity to welcome Christ into your home and to spend some prayerful time with your neighbours. Hosting a Station Mass does not require any expensive preparation and all I ask is that you give a cup of tea and scone/biscuit to those attending after the Mass.

Fr. John is currently seeking families to host a station mass in the following areas: Ashford, Monksland village, Mount William, Ros Árd, Slí an Coiste.

If you are interested in hosting a station Mass in your home Please contact Fr. John at 090-6490874 or email [frjohndeignan@gmail.com](mailto:frjohndeignan@gmail.com).

**YEAR OF MERCY HOLY HOUR** - Chapel of Adoration Wednesday, 16th Nov. 8 - 9 p.m. We will close the Year of Mercy with a Holy Hour led by Fr. Brendan Payne. All welcome. Contact 098-73170964

**ROSARY:** The Legion of Mary invite you to join with them in praying the Rosary in Cornamagh Cemetery on Sunday next 13th November and in Coosan Cemetery on Sunday, 20th November Both at 3 p.m.

**Annual Christmas Market** on Sunday, 27th November from 1 - 6 p.m. in Shamrock Lodge Hotel. Over 200 stalls, festive family day. All monies raised are in aid of **Esker House Women's Refuge**

## DRUM MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 12th	8 p.m.	John McManus, parents Mai and Pat, Nure
Sun. 13th	10 a.m.	Gemma Henry, Clonellan
Mon. 14th		No Mass
Tues. 15th	7 p.m.	Margaret Gately, Liberty, Ballydangan & Newtown Drum (Months Mind)
Wed. 16th	7 p.m.	Liam Naughten, Ardkeen
Thur. 17th		No Mass
Fri. 18th	7 p.m.	Maureen Dunning, Thomastown
<b>Sat. 19th</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b>	<b>Mary Nolan, New York &amp; Doohan (Month's Mind)</b>
Sat. 19th	8 p.m.	Kathleen & Peter Harney, Rooskey
Sun. 20th	10 a.m.	Thomas Hynes, Drum Road

**Servers:** Saturday 19th: Team 11; Sunday 20th: Team 4.

**Drum Community Care Fundraiser** in Connaughton's Bar on Sat. 19th Nov. at 9 p.m. 80's night with D.J. Ray O'Reilly. Adm. €5. Lots of sport prizes and raffle on the night. Please support.

**Athlone Community College - Open Day** on Sat. 19th Nov. from 10.30a.m. to 12.30p.m. Boys and girls in their final year in Primary School together with their parents/guardians are cordially invited to attend.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 7th NOVEMBER**  
€200: Pauline & Seán, €50: "Borrowed Money" & €30: "Dirty Boot"

## WE WELCOME INTO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Evie Janes McGowan	Arianna O'Neill Doyle	Shryna Lilly Chalmers
Kristian Furey	Koen Damien Quinn	Jack Richard Murphy
Hannah Rose Browne	Faye Norah Tobin	Lily May Lennon
Adam James Phillips	Lilly Rose Cochrane Hoare	

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THEIR PARENTS.

**ATHLONE ALZHEIMERS CAFÉ.....**will take place on Fr. Nov. 18th in St. Kieran's Community Centre from 2-4 p.m. It is a relaxed space where people with dementia, their families, carers, and health professionals gather to socialise and discuss health and emotional issues in a friendly atmosphere over tea and cake. Fiona Beattie, Community Dementia Support Nurse, will give a brief talk entitled "What is dementia?". You are very welcome to come along and join us

## CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 13th Frank & Tommy Ward, Curnaboll  
Sunday, 20th James, Mary & Tommy Egan, also deceased family members.  
**The Rosary will be recited in Clonown Cemetery on Sunday 20th November immediately after 11.15 Mass.**