

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Ss. Peter & Paul's Church)
(Saturday, 28th October - Sunday 5th November)**

Saturday:	6.30 p.m.	Angela Tymon (1st Anniversary)
Sunday:	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Marie Shanahan
	12 noon	Jimmy Kirwan
Monday:	9.30 a.m.	- -
	7.30 p.m.	"NOVENA" Maiéad Chadwick (1st Anniversary) Mary Vaughan, Derek Marsh
Tuesday:	9.30 a.m.	- -
Vigil Mass	6.30 p.m.	Michael, Christine & Michael Jnr. Galvin & Deceased of the Daly family.
HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION - ALL SAINTS.		
Wednesday:	9.30 a.m.	- -
	12 noon	Paul Grogan
	6.30 p.m.	Michael McManus
Thursday:	9.30 a.m.	- -
Friday:	9.30 a.m.	- -
	7.30 p.m.	"SHARED MASS" Thomas Davis (Month's Mind) Kit & Christine Keogh, Owen Shine Snr., Katie Bourke,, Robert Bourke Jnr. & Snr, Kitty & Jim Higgins, Joe & Elizabeth Hussey, Enda McLoughlin, Norman & Annie Johnson, & Michael Naughton
Saturday:	9.30 a.m.	Elizabeth Ward Josephine Phelim & Margaret McManamon
	6.30 p.m.	Kevin Devaney (1st Anniversary)
Sunday:	9.00 a.m.	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	- -
	12 noon	Eamon Egan.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, October 22nd..... €1,610.00

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

Parish Newsletter

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
29TH OCTOBER 2017**

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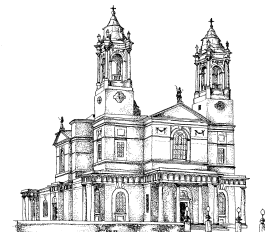


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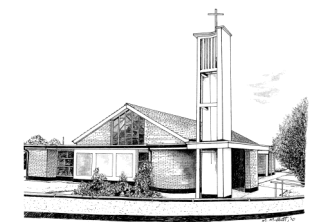
He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Mt. 22:37-39



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



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



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

REFLECTION

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us that loving God is number one, but number two is loving our neighbour, and number two is very much like number one. In case we're not sure who our neighbours are, their identity is spelled out clearly for us in the first reading - anyone who needs help, anyone who does not have the power to take care of their own needs. And in case we're not sure if this works or not, the success of the Thessalonians to imitate Christ, Paul, and the other early Christians is clearly documented in the second reading. When we imitate Christ, others will imitate us. The way of Jesus works, and it is as simple as the word *love*.

FIRST READING (Exodus 22:20-26)

The Israelites are told to be the most compassionate to the most vulnerable - foreigners, widows, orphans, and the poor people

SECOND READING (1 Thessalonians 1:5-10)

The Thessalonians are praised for their faith and the practice of their faith. They imitated Paul and his followers, and now others are imitating them.

GOSPEL (Matthew 22:34-40)

A lawyer tries to trip Jesus up by asking him to choose the one greatest commandment. Jesus offers two - love of God and love of neighbour.

PARISH MISSION

Monday November 6th to Friday November 10th at 9.30 am & 7.30 pm Daily. In Ss. Peter & Paul's Church. Mission will be given by members of St. Patrick's Community led by John Pridmore (a man who had a life changing conversion on discovering God's mercy)

MONKSLAND COMMUNITY MASS will be held on Thur. 2nd Nov. in Monkland Community Centre at 8 p.m. Theme: *Remembering our Dead*. All are welcome Tea Scones & friendly chat afterwards.

The Annual Memorial Mass for deceased members of ESB staff will be celebrated on Sat. 4th Nov. in the Bounty at 4 p.m.

Monthly Meeting of the **WIDOWS ASSOCIATION** on Wed. 1st Nov. at 8 p.m. in Shamrock Lodge Hotel. New members welcome.

Thank you.....Independent People with disabilities would like to thank the people of Athlone who contributed to our flag Day Collection which we held in the Golden Island Shopping Centre on Sat. 21st Oct. 2017

A programme of talks is to commence on Tues. 31st at 8 p.m. in St. Ciaran's House, St. Mary's Sq., Athlone. The speaker on that night is Dr. Jessie Rogers a senior lecturer in Theology & Biblical studies in St. Patrick's College Maynooth. Dates for Nov. & Dec. talks will be announced on the night

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION AT

DRUM & CLONOWN CHURCHES will be held on Sat. 4th & Sun. 5th Nov. Your support would be much appreciated.

DRUM MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	28th	8 p.m.	Christy McManus, Manchester and formerly Thornhill
Sun.	29th	10 a.m.	Martin McManus, Clonrulla
Mon.	30th		No Mass
Tues.	31st	8 p.m.	Vigil Mass for All Saints
Wed.	1st	10 a.m.	All Saints Day
Thur.	2nd	7 p.m.	Brian & Eileen Murray, Crannaghmore
Fri.	3rd	7 p.m.	Oliver Nicholson, Cornafulla South
Sat.	4th	8 p.m.	Mike & Bridie Naughton, Culfatha
Sun.	5th	10 a.m.	Frances Watson late of Ardkeen

Followed by rosary in the Cemetery

COFFEE MORNING, CAKE SALE, SALE OF WORK AND MISSION DISPLAY

Drum Parish hall on Sun. 5th Nov. at 11 a.m. immediately after the Rosary in the cemetery. Organised by Drum apostolic Work. Your support would be very much appreciated.

HOPE TRUST WALK - ATHLONE On 31st Oct a candle lit walk across the Shannon Bridge will be held. We will meet at the castle to leave at 6 p.m. and walk with candles towards the town centre. We intend to meet there for a short period of time and offer support, solidarity and prayer for those who have been affected by suicide

Silver Jubilee Celebrations for Fr. Michael McManus. Kiltoom Parish plan to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Fr. Michael's ordination on Sun. 5th Nov. Bishop Kevin Doran will celebrate Mass at 11.30 a.m. in the Church of the Risen Christ in Kiltoom. A celebratory lunch will be held in the Hudson Bay Hotel at 3 p.m. that afternoon. Anybody who wishes to attend the meal the cost is €12 per head and should contact the parish office at kiltoomoffice@gmail.com or Tel. 9090489105

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAIN BELL CIRCLE WINNERS FOR 23rd October:
€200: Thomas & John Berry €50: Rose Lennon & €30: Willie Lennon

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Ashleigh Marie Bradley	Scott Thomas Monaghan	Eliza May Killian
Caoimhe Vali Tone	Danielle Margaret Tone	Daniele Caiffa
Lucia Ivy Neagu-McGill		

CONGRATULATIONS TO THEIR PARENTS.

CLONOWN MASS INTENTIONS

Sun.	29th	Mary Dunning, Ballinaculla (1st Anniversary)
Wed.	1st.	All Saints
Fri.	3rd	Sean Boyle
Sun.	5th	Elizabeth (Lil) Ward, Curraghnaboll