

# St. Peter & Pauls Parish

Athlone, Drum, Clonown

## Parish Newsletter

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 27th 2019



### Our Parish on-line

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### MASSES FOR THE WEEK Ss. Peter & Paul's Church

#### Saturday January 27th 2019

(JD) 6.30 p.m. Mary O'Reilly (1st Anniv)  
Sunday (PN) 9a.m. People of the Parish  
(MH) 10.30 a.m. Denis & Mary Kilfeather  
(AI) 12 Noon Paddy Kenny

Monday: 9.30 a.m. Tommy Derwin  
7.30pm

#### Novena & Benediction

Patrick & Kathleen O'Connor  
John & Norah McGrath

Tuesday: 9.30 a.m. Una & Mattie Grehan

Wednesday: 9.30 a.m. Private Intention

Thursday: 9.30 a.m. Fr. Tommy Moran

Friday: 9.30 a.m. John McNeill Jnr.

7.30 pm

#### Shared Mass

Mary O'Brien  
Frances Marnell & Deceased family members  
of The Walsh Family

#### Saturday February 2nd 2019

9.30 a.m. Tom Henry & Deceased family members

(AI) 6.30 p.m. Edward Egan

Sunday (MH) 9a.m. People of the Parish

(PN) 10.30 a.m. Mary McManus & Parents Michael & Margaret

(PN) 12 Noon Rita & Kieran Gavin

### Ar dheis Dé go raib a n-anamacha

Pray for the repose of the souls of Eamon Sheridan Mayfield Grove, Kieran O'Connor Tormey Villas, Helen McDonagh, Dublin, - mother of Larry McDonagh, Meehambee, Johnny Markham, Ballinasloe - brother of Ann Halligan, Rockfield.  
May their souls rest in the peace of Christ.

### Baptisms

We would like welcome in to the parish Community Cole Patrick Conaty and Liam Patrick Higgins who was baptised recently.

### Bell Circle & Parish Bingo

Draw takes place every Monday Evening at the Parish Centre.

Main Prize Winners €200 Liam Roper ; ; €50 Brendan Mc Gowan: €30 Deniese John-

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Meet every Sunday evening at 8.30 pm in Coláiste Chiaráin, Summerhill Post Code N37 AH97

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, January 20th € 1,790

Thank you for your on-going support and generosity

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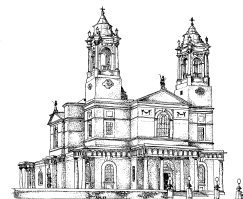
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Parish Pastoral Council;

Colm Naughton, Chairperson

Sacristy Ss. Peter & Paul's Church (attended at Mass times only) 090 -6494150

Baptism, Confirmation & Marriage Certificates are issued from the Sacristy



Ss. Peter & Paul's Church,  
Athlone



St. Brigid's Church,  
Drum



Church of Our Lady of the  
Wayside, Clonown

**A thought for today**

The 'option for the poor' isn't something invented by twentieth century theologians, nor is it just something fashionable starting at Vatican II. It is the option of God's Spirit that breathes through Jesus' whole life, and that we his followers need to introduce into human history. It's not possible to live and announce Jesus Christ if we don't do it from the defence of the least and in solidarity with those who are excluded. If what we do and proclaim from within the Church of Jesus isn't understood as something good and liberating by those who most suffer, what Gospel are we preaching?  
What Jesus are we following?  
What spirituality are we promoting?  
To say it clearly: what impression do we have of today's Church?  
Are we walking in the same direction as Jesus did?

**Welcome Fr Andrew**

This weekend we welcome Fr Andrew Ikendeza to the parish. Fr Andrew who hails from Uganda is joining us as a curate for the next two years or so. Fr Andrew will have responsibility for all of the town area of the parish as far as Baylough. Fr Andrew will be living in the parish house on Battery Road and can be contacted on 0906492171

**First Friday Holy Communion Calls**

Fr John will complete his calls on Thursday Friday of this week. He will telephone in advance to confirm time.  
Fr Andrew will complete his calls Friday at his usual times.

**Do This in memory Mass**

The January Do This in Memory Mass (Preparation of First Holy Communion) will be held on Wednesday next January 30th at 7.30pm in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church.

**Ss. Peter & Paul's Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**

June 27th - July 4th; Spiritual Director, Fr. John Deignan PP. Cost €695, Early booking essential, Contact Gerry on 0872249621 on 0872936933 / 0906492045

**St. Pauls N.S. Lyster St. Open Day**

You are invited to St. Pauls N.S. Lyster St. Open Day on Thursday 31st January 2019 from 9.45-10.45 an 6.00pm - 7.00pm. Come and have a look at our classrooms in action and have a chat with the Principal and teachers.

**Parish Recruitment for Ministries**

WE are currently inviting people interested in taking up the following ministries, Eucharistic Minister, Parish Reader or Collector at Mass, Should you wish to put your name forward or enquire please drop you name into the Sacristy, The Office at Forthill House, or by contacting one of the priests.  
Full training will be given before you would commence your new ministry.

**Clonown Mass Intentions**

Sun 27th. at 11.15 a.m. (PN) Mass.  
Fri. 1st. at 8 .15 p.m. (AI) Paddy Joe & Rose Dunning, Newtown East.  
Sun. 3rd. at 11.15 a.m. (MH) Mass.

**Drum Area Masses for Jan 26 – Feb 3**

Sat. 26th. at 8 p.m. (MH) Patrick Curley, Clonellan.  
Sun. 27th. at 10 a.m. (JD) John, Bridget and Pat Halligan.  
Mon. 28th. - No Mass.  
Tues. 29th. at 7 p.m. - Rose Dunning, Clonark. Also, deceased family members.  
Wed. 30th. - No Mass.  
Thurs. 31st. at 7 p.m. - Sr. Canisius Duffy, Clonark.  
Fri. 1st at 7 p.m. - Mass – Feast of St. Brigid.  
Sat. 2nd. at 11 a.m. - Nancy Kenny, Clonark. Month's Mind.  
Sat. 2nd. at 8 p.m. (MH) Michael & Mary Shine, Creggane.  
Sun. 3rd. at 10 a.m. (AI) William & Margaret Macken, Creggane.

**Moate Business College Adult Education Evening Courses**

Moate Business College Adult Education Evening Classes begin this week. Places are still available on courses such as Bridge for Beginners, Flower Arranging, Computers for Beginners & Improvers, Guitar for Beginners, Flower Arranging, Printmaking Techniques, Digital Photography and Dance Fit. It's not too late to register so check out these courses on our website [www.moatebusinesscollege.com](http://www.moatebusinesscollege.com) or ring 0906481178 to confirm your place. All are welcome. Make it a social event and bring a friend!!!

**Day of Prayer - Knock**

Day of Prayer given by Fr. Kilian Byrne in St John's Rest & Care Centre, Knock on Saturday 2nd February from 10am – 5pm. Talks, Rosary, Adoration and Mass. To book contact Helen on 086 1678027 / [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com)

**Clann na nGael Car Draw to Raise Vital Funds for Club Growth in 2019**

Clann na nGael have teamed up with Naughtons Car Sales to bring you an exciting opportunity to win a 162 VW Golf. The car comes with all the fantastic features you would expect from Volkswagen and is the perfect companion for all your adventures. If you would like to be in with a chance of winning this amazing prize or a chance to win €1,000 cash ( 2nd prize) or €250 Grenham Travel Voucher (3rd prize) , all you need to do is buy your ticket. Tickets cost €40 each and are for sale online at [www.clannгаа.ie/draw](http://www.clannгаа.ie/draw) or in local shops or from any member of the Club Fund Raising committee. The Winners will be announced on the night of the annual dinner dance. ( Feb 2 2019)  
Follow the clubs Facebook page for draw updates. <https://www.facebook.com/ClannGAA/>

**Camino de Santiago pilgrimage for young adults (18 -35) June 2019:**

Dates: 23rd – 30th June 2019, Age Group: 18 – 35, Cost €650. Package includes flights, 7 nights' B&B, 20kg Check-in luggage plus hand luggage, transfers and insurance.  
Walking Details: A minimum of 100km walk is required to obtain the "Compostela", the official accreditation of the pilgrimage of St. James.  
For more information:  
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**Beginning Experience**

Beginning Experience weekend 05-07 April for those who have lost a spouse through death divorce, or separation Esker Retreat Centre Esker, Enquiries Gerry 0863855090 Maureen 0876646896