

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

**Saturday February 23rd 2019**

<b>(MH)</b>	6.30 p.m.	Anne Carty
<b>Sunday (AI)</b>	9a.m.	<b>Mass for the People of the Parish</b>
<b>(PN)</b>	10.30 a.m.	Bernie Ward 1st Anniversary
<b>(MH)</b>	12 Noon	Michael & Bridget Galvin, Winnie & Mark Farrell
<b>Monday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	J.J. Glennon
	7.30pm	<b>Novena</b> Jackie & Christine Harvey
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9.30 a.m.	Patrick Durkan & Deceased Family members
<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 pm	<b>Shared Mass</b> Danny McCracken (Months Mind) James & Nora O'Connor & Deceased Family Members Lily & Jimmy O'Connor, Martin & Josephine O'Neill Ken & Mary O' Neill Kitty McFadden
Saturday	9.30 a.m.	

**Saturday March 2nd 2019**

<b>( )</b>	6.30 p.m.	Bridie, Mary & Teddy Simpson
<b>Sunday ( )</b>	9a.m.	<b>Mass for the people of the parish</b>
<b>( )</b>	10.30a.m.	Seamus McCann
<b>( )</b>	12 Noon	Thomas Grenham

**Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha**

Pray for the repose of the soul of Jim Moran, Roscahill, Kilmeena, Westport who died recently.

**Tweet from Pope Francis @Pontifex**

"In the darkest moments of our history, the Lord draws near, opens paths, lifts up discouraged faith, anoints wounded hope, and awakens sleeping charity." (19th February 2019)

**An Bhfúil cead agam dul go dtí an leithreas? - paintings by Fiona Moore**

The opening reception is Tuesday 26th February 6pm in The Church Gallery, Ballinasloe Library, Ballinasloe and exhibition runs until the 13th of March all are welcome.

**Bell Circle & Parish Bingo**

**Draw takes place every Monday Evening at the Parish Centre.**

Main Prize Winners €200 Sean Connolly; €50 Martin & Tommy; €30 Jerry & Clodagh  
**Inter Parish Bingo Every Sunday in the Dean Crowe Theatre at 8pm**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Sunday, February 17th € 1,990.00**

**Thank you for your on-going support and generosity**

# St. Peter & Pauls Parish

Athlone, Drum, Clonown

## Parish Newsletter

**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

February 24th 2019



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**Safeguarding Officer;**

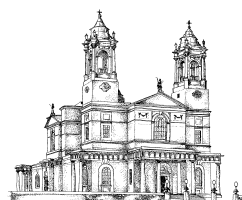
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**Parish Pastoral Council;**

Colm Naughton, Chairperson

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

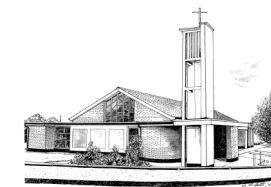
Baptism, Confirmation & Marriage Certificates are issued from the Sacristy



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



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



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

### **A thought for today**

In the Lord's Prayer, we ask God to forgive us on one condition, which is that we will forgive others in our turn. There is a proven power in forgiveness and love. "Blessed are the meek" says Jesus, "they shall possess the earth." We are impressed by the power of forgiveness shown by characters like Mahatma Ghandi, Martin Luther King, and others who somehow managed to turn the other cheek. The bully cannot deal with the power of the one who won't strike back, but often resorts to violence as the only way to silence their voice of protest. To err is human, to forgive is divine. We would aim to be big-hearted, tolerant and patient.. But the ideal Jesus sets for us is, "Be merciful, just as your heavenly Father is merciful."

### **Parish Bereavement Support Group**

Meets on Tuesday night March 5th at 7.30pm in Forthill House (Canons House) Battery Road. Anyone who has experienced a bereavement is welcome to come and share their experience.

### **Knock - The Five First Saturday Devotion**

The Five First Saturdays Devotion is being hosted in Knock next Saturday 2nd March. Starts at 11:00am with Rosary, meditations and concluding with Holy Mass at 12:00 noon. Enrollment for the free scapulars and confessions. Everyone is invited to attend.

### **Legion of Mary**

Legion of Mary meeting on Thursday night 28th February at 8pm in the Divine Master Centre. For Further Details Contact Bernadette on 0868839424

### **Athlone Council of the Knights of St. Columbanus Open Night**

Athlone Council of the Knights of St Columbanus will be holding an open Night on Thursday 28th February at 8pm in their premises at St. Marys Square. Anyone interested in Joining, or simply knowing about the Knights is very welcome to attend. Light refreshment will be available.

### **Confirmation Programme Reminder**

Confirmation Programme will take place in Drum Parish Hall on Tuesday 26th Feb @ 7pm and in St Peters School Hall on Thursday 28th Feb @ 8pm.

### **First Friday Holy Communion Calls**

Fr John & Fr Andrew will be making their calls on this Friday 1st March.

### **Clonown Mass Intentions**

Sun. 24th. at 11.15 a.m.	(Al)	Johnny Hynes, Currnaboll. Also, deceased family members.
Fri. 1st. at 8 p.m.	-	Mass.
Sun. 3rd. at 11.15 a.m.-	-	Mary & Kathleen Shine, Currnaboll. Also, deceased family members.

### **Drum Area Masses**

Sat. 23rd. at 8 p.m.	(Al)	Paddy & Margaret Mulvey, Johnstown. Also, Jim Hynes.
Sun. 24th. at 10 a.m.	(MH)	Kitty Seery, Clonellan.
Mon. 25th. – Tues. 26th.	-	No Mass.
Wed. 27th. at 7 p.m.	-	Winnie & Thomas Higgins, Ardkeenan.
Thurs. 28th. at 7 p.m.	-	Johnny Naughton, Clonellan.
Fri. 1st. at 7 p.m.	-	Patrick Fallon, Cornafulla.
Sat. 2nd. at 8 p.m.	-	Phoebe, John and Tim Duignan Doohan. Also, dec. family members.
Sun. 3rd. at 10 a.m.	-	Willie & Eileen Connaughton, Clonark. Also, dec. family members.

### **Clann na nGael Registration**

Clann na nGael Registration: Registration for all ages will take place on Friday 1st March in the Club house from 7pm – 9pm. Also, on Sunday 3rd March in the Athlone Springs Hotel from 10am – 12.30pm.

### **Diabetes Ireland**

Diabetes Ireland are planning to host an 'Ask the Experts' workshop for people with Type 2 diabetes in Hannons Hotel Roscommon town on March 7th at 7pm. This event is free, but booking is essential by phoning Diabetes Ireland on 071-914 6001.

### **Prostate cancer support and information series**

Event: Prostate cancer support and information series.  
Topic: Managing treatment related side effects following radiotherapy for prostate cancer.  
Venue: Cancer care west support centre, 72 Seamus Quirke road, Galway.  
When: 6th of March at 7pm.  
Contacts: Rachael Dalton nurse specialist on 091893318/Cancer care west 091540040

### **Knock Shrine Society Seeks Volunteers**

Knock Shrine Society is seeking new members to join Our Lady's Volunteers to assist pilgrims who visit the Shrine. This opportunity is open to all men and women over 18 who wish to share their time and be of service to the Sick and Infirm and to assist in the Eucharistic and Liturgical services. For further information: Contact John Hynes, Knock Shrine at 087 689 1422 or email knockshrinesociety@gmail.com

### **Sligo/North Leitrim Alcoholics Anonymous**

Sligo/North Leitrim Alcoholics Anonymous will be hosting a convention on Friday 8th March 2019 to 10th March 2019 in The Clayton Hotel, Clarion Road, Sligo. For further information email sligoleitrimaa@yahoo.ie

### **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

### **Parish Pilgrimage to Rome / Assisi**

Deacon Tony is planning a Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi in September 2019. For Details Call Deacon Tony on 0857392473 or email deacontony17@gmail.com