

Mass intentions this Week in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church
 All Masses are streamed on www.churchservices.tv/athlone.
 All booked intentions on weekdays will be included in the Mass from
 Ss. Peter & Paul's Church each day.

For the duration of the current Covid-19 restrictions Masses will be said in public on Monday, Wednesday & Friday, Saturday vigil Masses in town and Drum and Sunday Masses in all three Churches. Morning Mass on Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday will be said in Private & Live Streamed.

To conform with Government Policy & for the protection of health it is now mandatory to wear a facemask when attending Mass.

Mass Intentions Sunday 13th December to Sunday 20th December

Sunday 13th December	Third Sunday of Advent
9:00am	(BN) (Public Mass, also streamed live on Webcam) People of the Parish
12pm	(GA) (Public Mass, also streamed live on Webcam) Third Sunday of Advent Leo Turpin & dec members of Turpin & Byrne Families
Monday 9:30 am	(BN) (Mass open to the public also streamed live on Webcam) Novena Prayers & Benediction) No Intention
Tuesday 9.30am	(BN) (Public Mass, also streamed live on Webcam) Private Intention
Wednesday 9:30 am	(GA) (Public Mass, also streamed live on Webcam) Eileen, Liam & Shelia Hannon and dec members of Murray Family
Thursday 9:30 am	(GA) (Mass in Private, streamed live on Webcam) Private Intention
Friday 9:30 am	(MH) (Public Mass, also streamed live on Webcam) Tony Downey, Michael Birtles, Peter Fallon, Michael Hynes, Paddy & Kathleen Reilly, Niall O'Hanlon, Bernard, Maureen & Jimmy Dully & dec members of Durney Family, Bridie & Pat Caulfield, Summerhill. (SS Peter & Paul's)
Saturday 9:30 am	(MH) (Mass in Private, streamed live on Webcam) No Intention
6.30pm	(MH) (Public Mass, also streamed live on Webcam) Catherine Dolan McCann (Months Mind) Brendan Kenny (Months Mind) Katherine Harkins
Sunday 20th December	
9:00am	(GA) (Public Mass, also streamed live on Webcam) People of the Parish
12pm (BN)	(Public Mass, also streamed live on Webcam) Fourth Sunday of Advent Breda Grenham



PARISH OF
SS. PETER & PAUL
 Athlone, Drum & Clonown

Parish Newsletter



December 13th 2020 3rd Sunday in Advent / Gaudete Sunday

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Baptism, Confirmation & Marriage Certificates are issued from the Sacristy

**The Parish Offices in Forthill House & Drum are closed to the public
 for the foreseeable future please correspond by phone or email.**

Dear Parishioners,

As our Parish Priest is on leave at present, Bishop Kevin has made some appointments with immediate effect. Fr. Ray Milton. P.P. V.F. has been appointed Administrator of the Parish. Fr. Glenn Alipoyo has been appointed curate and we welcome him to our Parish.

He comes all the way from the Philippines and we hope he will be happy in his priestly ministry here in Athlone. Céad míle fáilte Fr. Glenn.

The Parish office will continue as before and contact can be made by phone or email, unfortunately while Covid 19 restrictions are in place the office is not open to the public. To book masses, anniversaries and seeking certs., please contact the sacristy before or after Masses.

Thank you for your co-operation and ongoing support, which is very much appreciated.

Fr Ray Milton

First Holy Communion Dates

Saturday December 19th

Cloonakilla Ms. Dowling's Class	10.30 am
St Peters & Dean Kelly	12.15 pm
Cornafulla	2 pm

- All ceremonies will be held in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church.
- Numbers are limited to the candidate and three family members.
- We regret imposing the restrictions on numbers above but are guided by and must adhere to the Government's policies during this time of Pandemic.

FoodCloud Charities

Are you a registered charity that uses food or provides food to people in need in the community?

Are you interested in collecting good surplus food from your local retailer?

Get in touch with the FoodCloud support team 01 5313478 or by emailing charities@foodcloud.ie

Community Employment Vacancies with St. Peter's Parish CE Project.

- Caretaker/Cleaner with St. Peters Parish Centre Job Ref:2164506.
- Environmental Worker Monksland Tidy Towns Job Ref:2149005.
- Caretaker/ Cleaner with Drum Community Centre Job Ref:2162020.
- Caretaker with Monksland Community Centre Job Ref: 2164509.

Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 21 years or over and in receipt of a qualifying social welfare payment for 1 year or more or 18 years and over for certain disadvantaged groups.

If you are interested in any of the above positions please ring 09064 93270 or email: petersparishce@gmail.com

Clonown Masses

Sun. 13th. Dec. at 11.15 am. (MH) Seán Shine, Buggane.

Sun. 20th. Dec. at 11.15 am. (GA) Michael and Bridget Hardiman. Drumlosh and dec members of the Hardiman and Dunning families.

Drum Masses next weekend

Sun. 13th. Dec. at 10am. (MH) Paddy and Elizabeth Halligan, Crannaghbeg.

Sat. 19th. Dec. at 8 p.m. (GA) Eamon, Ned and Annie Griffin, Ardkeenan.

Sun. 20th. Dec. at 10 a.m. (MH) John, Bridie and Thomas Harney, Curraghaleen.

Area Boxes are ready for distribution and can be collected at the parish office. Could you please contact the parish office to arrange collection.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Christmas Masses in Athlone Area

Ss. Peter & Paul's Parish, St. Mary's Parish & the Franciscan Friary are working together to ensure we can accommodate as many people as possible for Mass on Christmas Eve / Christmas Day.

In total there will be 31 Masses available between tea time on Christmas Eve and Lunchtime on Christmas Day. All Masses with the exception of the children's Mass are open to the public.

There will be ONE on-line Children's Mass broadcast live from Coosan Church at 5 pm Christmas Eve.

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:30pm	Our Lady, Queen of Peace (Online only Children's Mass)
6:00pm	St. Anthony's Friary / St. Brigid's, Drum / Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonown
6:30pm	Ss. Peter & Paul's
7:00pm	Our Lady, Queen of Peace
7:30pm	St. Mary's
8:00pm	St. Anthony's Friary / St. Brigid's, Drum / Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonown
9:00pm	Ss. Peter & Paul's
9:30pm	St. Mary's
10:00pm	Our Lady, Queen of Peace / St. Anthony's Friary

CHRISTMAS DAY

7:30am	St. Anthony's Friary
8:30am	St. Mary's
9:00am	Our Lady, Queen of Peace
9:30am	St. Anthony's Friary
10:00am	St. Mary's / Ss. Peter & Paul's / St. Brigid's, Drum Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonown
10:30am	Our Lady, Queen of Peace
11:00am	St. Anthony's Friary
11:30am	St. Mary's
12:00nn	Our Lady, Queen of Peace / Ss. Peter & Paul's / St. Brigid's, Drum / Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonown
12:30pm	St. Anthony's Friary
12:45pm	St. Mary's

First Holy Communion Saturday December 12th

Congratulations to all those who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday from the following classes ,Cloonakilla Ms. Finnegan's Class , Summerhill, Ardkeenan & Clonown.

We would like to thank all those who made this day finally happen, parents, teachers, school secretaries and all our stewards who volunteer their value time to make sure all events are within HSE Guidelines.