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BULLETIN

15th August 2021 – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8am, 10am, (po polsku) & 12.00 noon
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8am
Tuesday 8am & 7pm
Friday 8am & 7pm Communion Service
ST PAUL'S CHURCH
Sunday: 9am & 10.30am,
Monday-Friday: 10am
Saturday: 10.30 am & 7pm (Vigil)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
8th August - £3914.10
Donation Box – 1 x £50 & £25 loose
Our sincerest thanks to all our parishioners who have forwarded their offertory promise envelopes every week during this lockdown
Thank you for your continued generosity to your Parish and to your Priests.


We welcome the following children into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism
Éirinn Lelia Brady, Northwood
Padraig óg & Daithí Sean Laverty Oakleigh Heights
Our prayers and good wishes are extended to their families
All parents wishing to have a child baptised in St Peter's Parish, must notify the Parish Office in person. One month's notice is required.
Baptisms take place on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month @ 1.30pm

On the Assumption of Mary into Heaven.
The feast of the Assumption of Mary is a call to each of us, especially those who are afflicted by doubt and sadness, and live with their gaze turned down, unable to raise their glance. Let us look up. Heaven is open. It does not inculcate fear. It is no longer distant because on the threshold of Heaven, a mother, our mother, is awaiting us. She loves us, she smiles at us and she thoughtfully assists us. Like every mother she wants the best for her children, and she says to us: 'You are precious in God's eyes; you were not made for the small satisfactions of the world, but rather for the great joy of heaven'. Yes, because God is joy, not boredom. God is joy. Let us allow Our Lady to take us by the hand. Each time that we hold the Rosary in our hands and pray to her, we are taking a step forward, towards the great destination of life.
Pope Francis, Feast of the Assumption, 2019

POPE'S COLLECTION
(Peter's pence)
Collection Date 15th August
These offerings to the Holy Father are devoted to the needs of the Church in impoverished dioceses worldwide, to humanitarian initiatives and to social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.
The Pope, as pastor of the universal Church, is attentive to the needs of poor dioceses, religious institutes and those in difficulty.

LIFE OF MARY
When the angel came, he did not shock her. It was as if a ray of sun or moon had come into the room. She did not even blink. But when his youthful face bent near hers, they looked into one another's eyes. A look so powerful that the outside world suddenly emptied and the visions of the crowds, their deeds and struggles, all went away, leaving just the two of them. A girl and an angel in a little place, astonishing them both before the angel sang his song
Rainer Maria Rilke

ACCORD
Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators.
Accord is seeking registration of interest from those who have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and the enthusiasm to be part of a team supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage.
Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally in accordance with best practice.
Contact Aisling on 00353 1505 3112 or by email to info@accord.ie.
The closing date for receipt of registration of interest forms to be included in Selections for this year is Friday 27 August.
Additional information is available on www.accord.ie.

FACE COVERINGS
The decision to introduce face coverings in our churches dates back to August 2020 and was taken by Church Leaders before face coverings were made mandatory by the Governments, North and South.
On Monday, 26 July 2021, the NI Executive decided to remove the legal requirement to wear a face covering within a place of worship with effect from 6.00pm that evening. (It will, however, remain a legal requirement to wear a face covering on the way into a place of worship and on the way out.)
Despite this change to the legal position, I ask that, for the time being, we continue to **strongly recommend** and encourage the **use of face coverings** at all services of worship. I shall let you know if, and when, we decide to recommend a change in this practice.
Kindest regards,
Most Rev Eamon Martin
Apostolic Administrator

GAELIC LEAGUE
Registration for Irish Language Classes will take place in the Gaelic League, North Street on Thursday 26th August from 7.00 - 8.30pm.
Usual covid rules will apply.

CHRISTMAS OUTING 2021
Glad to say our 'Annual Christmas Fun Day' trip to Dublin is on this year. Saturday 4th December with a 3 course Christmas dinner in the Canal Court Hotel - **£30**
To book your place please contact Gerard 3832 4741 or Noel 079 5547 5650

When we cannot attend Mass, we can still make an Act of Spiritual Communion, in which we express our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist and ask Him to unite Himself with us. The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith; an Act of Love; a desire to receive Christ; and an invitation to Him to come into your heart.
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER
The world turns, the sun rises, the birds sing, the dawn breaks. The beauty of your creation unfolds afresh, bathed in light. I give you praise for the gift of life. I appreciate the comfort of nourishment daily. I soak up the light of a new day, full of possibility and joy. Thank you Lord. **Happy Sunday**

ADORATION CHAPEL
Edward Street Private Prayer
Only Adoration 9am – 7pm

'How great is the value of converse with Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, for there is nothing more consoling on earth'

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel Luke 1:39-56
1. The story of the Visitation is a story of two pregnant women reaching out to one another. For those of you who are mothers, perhaps you have been in that situation. What blessings do you recall in such encounters?
2. The story and the song of Mary are both celebrating the work of God in her life. When have you been particularly grateful for what was happening in your life? How did you express and celebrate your thanks?
3. Mary is praised for believing that God's promise to her would be fulfilled. How has your trust in God's promise to be with you helped you in your life?
4. Read the Magnificat a few times slowly and let your attention stay with whatever words or phrase you are drawn to. Place yourself in the position of the one saying the prayer. Let it be your prayer of thanksgiving of your own life.


RECENTLY DECEASED
Desmond Lennon, Lavery Avenue
Dympna McCorry, Francis Street
Adam Mulart, Glenwood Park
MONTH'S MIND
Monday 16th August
Dominic Magennis, Wellington Street
Tuesday 17th August
Caolan Doyle, Allenhill Park

ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 15th August
Tony Mallon, Ashford Grange
Gerry Goodman, Stevenson Park
John McNeice, Sloan Street
Isobel Gallery, Killough Gardens
Dermot O'Neill, Belfast
Monday 16th August
Eamon Derby, Clara Street
Fergus Magee, Lake Street
Nora Patterson, North Circular Road
Elsie Cusack, Portadown
Eileen Bunting, Waring Street
Hubert McConville, Kilmaine Street
Maud McAtteer, Lurgan/Manchester
Elizabeth (Coyle) Jess, Kilmore Hill Road
Tuesday 17th August
Pauline Rogers, Edward Street
Sheila Gaskin, Kilwilke Road
Teresa Devlin, Drumgor Heights
Eddie, Ethna & wee Eithne McLaughlin, Francis Street
Wednesday 18th August
Kevin McSherry, Portland Manor
Kevin Magill, Grattan Street
Jane & Patrick Greene, Blearly
William Kearney, Kilwarlin
Mary Isabella Breen, Pier Rampart, Derryadd

Thursday 19th August
Mona Heaney, Oakridge
Pat Magee, Levin Road
Patsy & Rosena Clarke, Sloan Street
Peter McKeown, Allenhill Park
Desmond O'Neill, Glenholme Park
Daniel Kevin McConville, Lake Street
Seamus McKee, Lough Road
Friday 20th August
William Geary, Clara Street
Thomas Creaney, Grattan Street
Charles Agnew, Tannaghmore North Road
Eddie McGivern, Mary Street
Leo McAlinden, Ennis Close
Saturday 21st August
Aiden Bunting, Waring Street
Patsy McQuillan, Sperrin Drive
Eternal Rest Grant on to them O Lord!

Requests for Anniversaries and Month's Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon on the Wednesday of the week before if they are to be included in the Bulletin. The minimum diocesan stipend is £10. As we have a booking system, anniversaries can be booked in advance until the end of the year. Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church