

St. Peter's Parish, Shankill

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BULLETIN

16th JULY 2023 – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY



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

HOLIDAYS
Heading on holidays and looking for Mass? Find a Mass at your destination at www.masstimes.org



GOOD BEGINNINGS
Your baby's baptism is a time for celebration and joy. Naturally you want the best for your baby, and we want to help you to plan and prepare for your child's baptism in the best possible way. Your most important preparation is to look at your own faith. The very fact that you have asked for your child to be baptised shows that you recognised the importance of God in your life. As your child gets older he/she will grow up with the faith you have taught by example. As you help your baby grow up in the love of God, you too will experience growth in your own faith life. Your baby's baptism is only the beginning of a new life through which you will grow closer to one another as a family and closer to God

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

 **Our Lady of Mount Carmel - 16 July** 

Reflection
The Carmelites were known from early on as "Brothers of Our Lady of Mount Carmel." The title suggests that they saw Mary not only as "mother," but also as "sister." The word sister is a reminder that Mary is very close to us. She is the daughter of God and therefore can help us be authentic daughters and sons of God. She also can help us grow in appreciation of being sisters and brothers to one another. She leads us to a new realization that all human beings belong to the family of God. When such a conviction grows, there is hope that the human race can find its way to peace.

The Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
The brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, according to the Carmelite tradition, was presented by Our Lady to St. Simon Stock, the then Father General on July 16, 1251. Our Lady gave St. Simon a scapular for the Carmelites with the following promise, saying: "Receive, My beloved son, this habit of thy order: this shall be to thee and to all Carmelites a privilege, that whosoever dies clothed in this shall never suffer eternal fire It shall be a sign of salvation, a protection in danger, and a pledge of peace."


The scapular stands for:
A commitment to follow Jesus, like Mary, the perfect model of all the disciples of Christ. This commitment finds its origin in baptism. It leads into the community of Carmel, a community of religious men and women, which has existed in the Church for over eight centuries. It reminds of the example of the saints of Carmel, with whom it establishes a close bond as brothers and sisters. It is an expression of the belief that the bearers of the scapular will meet God in eternal life, aided by the intercession and prayers of Mary.

PRAYER FOR PEACE BY POPE FRANCIS
Lord God of peace, hear our prayer.
We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain. Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instil in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace. Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us, and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarrelling into forgiveness. Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen

HOLIDAY TIME
Going on holiday?
Please don't forget me. Call at my House and say a prayer!
Welcome to friends and family who are home for the holidays.



ADORATION CHAPEL, EDWARD STREET
Adoration 9am-9pm
Be alone with Jesus. You will notice a change in your life, in your family, in your parish and in your environment.



PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS
God our Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Send forth your Spirit and fill your Church with courage and faith. Raise up worthy ministers for your altars and ardent but gentle servants of the Gospel. Grant that those whom you call to enter the priesthood and religious life may have the generosity to answer to your call.
Amen

ENGAGED COUPLES: REMINDER
If you live in this parish and are planning to get married in a church elsewhere, or to have a mixed marriage, (i.e., to a non-Catholic spouse) it is still necessary to complete your Church papers with one of our priests. Please contact the parish office for any guidance you may need.

OCTOBER SUNSHINE BREAK
Costa Del Sol 6-day tour
Departing Monday 16 Oct – Saturday 21st October Palmsol Hotel, Benalmadena Flights / Coach Transfers 5 nights Dinner B&B Daily Entertainment £569 £60 booking deposit.
Easy payment plan. To book Contact Gerard 3832 4741 or Noel 079 5547 5650
Those traveling to Kilmainham Jail & Arbour Hill 21 July please meet at the front of St Peter's GAA Club, North St @ 7.45am. If you have not already done so, please contact Skelton Travel to confirm your place before 17 July. Look forward to seeing you all on the day. Noel

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
Joy and happiness are two different things, although they are obviously related. There are things in our lives that we feel happy doing or experiencing. Watching a good movie makes us feel happy for the time we are watching it. Happiness is very much in the moment, and it can be good. But joy is a different thing. Joy is a deeper sense than happiness. We feel happy watching a film but feel joy when we see a good friend who we haven't seen for a while. Joy is different. To live lives of joy is not to depend on happiness or temporary experiences. It is to seek out the better path and walk it.

PAPAL BLESSING PARCHMENTS
Members of the public can now obtain a blessing from Pope Francis for family and friends, especially on the occasion of marriage, the other sacraments, and major anniversaries. A charge is made for the commemorative parchment and delivery, and all proceeds go entirely to works of charity in service of the poor.
More information and orders can only be made online at www.elemosineria.va > Papal

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel
Matthew 13:1-23
1. Jesus uses parables to make people think about their own responses to his message. As you read this parable you may recognize that at different times you have been like each of the different types of soil. As you recall times when you presented fertile soil for the word of God, what helped you create that receptive atmosphere? What lessons for life did you get from that?
2. Parents with children, teachers with pupils, speakers with listeners, are like sowers in a field where the preparation of the soil is up to the other, the child, the pupil or the listener. They can sow the seed but cannot guarantee that it will bear fruit. At times there may be a temptation not to try anymore. The challenge is to sow the hope. When have you been surprised by the harvest you have reaped?


ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 16th July
Caolan Doyle, Allenhill Park
Paddy McCavigan, Belvedere Manor
Margaret O'Connor, Church Walk
John McManus, Laurence Square
Bernie Connolly, Monbrief Walk
Kathleen Coleman, Manor Drive
Dominic Maguinness, Wellington Street
Monday 17th July
Arthur Kelly, Church Walk
Marie Campbell, Kilwilke Road
Rory McConville, Filbin Crescent
Tommy Coleman, Waring Street
Rosaleen Mitchell, Lavery Avenue
David McVeigh, Castor Bay Road
Artie Mitchell, Castor Bay Road
Tuesday 18th July
Mary Lyness, Kilmaine Street
Declan McKenna, Lurgantarry
John Phillips, Lisburn
Sean McCorry, Soye Crescent
Brother Jim Kane, Kilcurry, Co Louth
Margaret Magill, Wellington Street
Wednesday 19th July
Thomas Haughian, Deeny Drive
Jane Geary, Lurgan
Dan McCrory, Prospect Way
Christina McDonald, Cypress Gardens
May Haddock, Kilwilke Road
Thursday 20th July
James (Jim) Doran, Brownlow Terrace
Geraldine Tallon, Gawley's Gate
Declan Nash, Mansfield/Gilford
Sarah Doran, Taghnavan
Barney Coleman, Wheatfield Drive
Claire Doyle, Downshire Avenue
Friday 21st July
Jim Bradford, Church Walk
Margarita Gourley, Windsor Avenue
Bobby Murray, Silverwood Drive
Cletus & Anna Headley, Kilmaine Street
James McCrory, Killough Gardens
Margaret (Peggy) Mallon, Lisburn
Saturday 22nd July
Patrick Smyth, North Circular Road
Laurence Henderson, Kilwilke Road
Fionnuala Gallery, Ashgrove Park
Bernadette Cassidy, Derrymacash
Sadie France, Taghnevan/Gawley's Gate
Rosaleen McCaughley, Garland Avenue
Eternal rest grant onto 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 anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church.**
CEMETERY SUNDAY
13th August
Rosary and Prayers for the Faithful Departed
Dougher 3pm & St Colman's 5pm