

St. Peter's Parish, Shankill

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BULLETIN

19th December 2021 – Fourth Sunday of Advent



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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)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
With Fr Jozef
Friday 6.00pm - 6.45pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Confessions will be available for Christmas, with appropriate safeguarding and social distancing, in St Peter's Church on Tuesday 21st December @ 7.30pm, with priests from the parish & neighbouring parishes.

CONFESSIONS AND HOLY COMMUNION IN ST PAUL'S
Parishioners who wish to avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation or to receive Holy Communion, are invited to call in and visit us in St Paul's Church on Sunday, 19th December between 3.00pm to 5.00pm.

All Covid 19 regulations will naturally be in place!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
12th December - £2622.03
Donations -£65 loose
Car Park - £509.10
Our sincerest thanks to all our parishioners who have forwarded their offertory promise envelopes every week during this pandemic

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**

I write on behalf of the Pastoral Councils, the priests and deacon of the parishes of St Peter's and St Paul's. There have been many discussions re our Christmas Masses, whether to go on-line or with congregations present. Main discussion points are:

1. Unfortunately, the level of positive cases of the virus is still very high at 1600+ per day here in NI.
2. If we accepted congregations into our Churches, there would have to be a very strict policy of closing the doors when the safe social distancing capacity in each Church was reached.
3. People would be very annoyed at being refused admittance.
4. Our ushers would have to impose the strict limit.
5. Public Health Authority (PHA) advised that with the spread of the new Omicron, it would not be wise to have a large congregation.
6. We would not want to do anything that would compromise our parishioners' safety in our Churches.

Hence the decision is made that all Christmas Vigil and Christmas Day Masses in both St Peter's & St Paul's will go out virtually on our webcams.

I hope you understand. Our normal Masses on Friday morning 24th and the Sunday Masses on 26th will have congregations. Please consider attending one of these Masses and the weekday Masses before and after Christmas. Of course, our Churches will be open at the normal times for private prayer. Children could be brought and introduced to the crib in each Church.

God bless and Happy Christmas everyone

Liam Stevenson P.P.

All Masses will be broadcast via the webcam www.lurganparish.com and parish radio at the following times:

St Peter's
Christmas Eve – 6pm, 9pm (po polsku)
Christmas Day – 8am & 10am (po polsku)
And 12.00 noon

Monday 27th – Wednesday 5th January
Weekday Masses will be @ 9.30am

Wesołych Świąt
Nollaig Shona Daoibh

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St Paul's
Christmas Eve - 7pm
Christmas Day – 9am & 10.30am


St Paul's, 10.30am



ST PETER'S CAROL SERVICE
There will be a Carol Service online at 7.00pm this Sunday 19th December. There will be a chance to sing Carols and listen to the Christmas story and special prayers, in the comfort of your own home.
Choir members will be seated in the main body of the Church and social distancing will be adhered to.



BEAUTIFUL EDINBURGH EASTER TOUR 2022
From 18th to 22nd April
Come along and join us on this great tour to Edinburgh, staying at the King's Manor Hotel. With trips to Glasgow, Lindsfarne (Holy Island), St Andrews and great fun as well. To book phone
Gerard 028 3832 4741
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ADORATION CHAPEL
Edward Street. Private Prayer Only. Adoration 9am – 7pm

Radiant and beautiful, the Lord comes down to be with us.'

A PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN MOTHER ON CHRISTMAS NIGHT
Sweet Mother of my God, lift up your little Jesus from the straw. Lift him high, dear mother, and raise his right hand over me, and let it rest upon my head. That I may feel the hand of God, so strong, so soft, so comforting. Let me feel the pressure of his gentle hand, the hand of God almighty. Oh Mother dear, take now his hand and let it rest in mine; and let him hold my fingers tight, as children do, hold my fingers tight and never let them go. Mother of Jesus and my mother, keep us close together, Jesus your Son and me; teach me to love him, as you did in the crib help me to adore him, as he is in your glory now; show me how to make much of him in the sacrament of his love, so that I may have joy in his nearness, and atone for my past neglect.

*Visit the Crib
Picture the Holy Family on that first Christmas night. Say a prayer of thanks for the gift of life and family and friendship*



PARISH OFFICE



Will close on Wednesday 22nd December @ 4.00pm for the Christmas & New Year holidays and re-open on Wednesday 5th January @ 9am

For some people Christmas is a difficult time. Remember them in a special way in your prayers. Thank God for all the good things you have received, especially the gift of family and friends

St, Vincent de Paul Appeal
The total amount of donations given to the annual appeal last weekend was £7973. May God bless you for your wonderful generosity.
Thank you for your


PLEASE NOTE
Anniversaries and Month's Mind notices that occur up to 8th January 2022 to be left in the Parish Office before 12 Noon on Tuesday 21st December



RECENTLY DECEASED

Brigid McConville, Island View Lane, Kinnego
Margaret McKeown, Manor Crt/Aughnacloy Hse
Francie Nelson, Wellington Street

MONTH'S MIND

Sunday 19th December
Ann Patricia McMullan, Westwood
Tuesday 21st December
Gerard McComb, Deerings Grove
Kay LeSauvage nee Mulholland, Killaghy
Friday 24th December
Patsy Gallery, Donnelly Gardens

ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday 19th December
Hugh Haughian Snr, Sloan Street
Dermot McStay, Kilmore Hill Road
Mary Ellen Haughey, Kilmaine Street
William McManus, Soye Gardens
Carmel Conlon, Blair Park
Kathleen Kerr, Portadown
Ellen & Bob McCorry, Tannaghmore North Road
James & Catherine Knox, O'Neill's Terrace
Billy Doran, Ballyoran Park
Felix Quinn, Rampart Street
Monday 20th December
Brendan Gordon, Deeny Drive
Fiona Phillips nee Cassidy, Forest Glade
Stephen Lyness, Portadown
Tuesday 21st December
Tommy O'Hara, Dingwell Park
Mary Carter, Waring Street
Kathleen Jordan, Kilmaine Street
Jim McConville, London/Edward Street
James Knox, Tarry Lane
Dessie McKinstry, Wesley Place
John Greene, Shore Road
Wednesday 22nd December
Kathleen Venard, Deramore Drive
Dympna McStay, Kilmore Hill Road
Ethel Ranaghan, Killough, Co Down
Kevin & Doris Toman, Desmond Avenue
Rosemarie Cullen, Annesborough Park
Jean Breen, Lurgantarry
Gary & Eilish Kennedy, Kilmore Rd/Rostrevor
Sean Byrne, Shore Road
Thursday 23rd December
Bridie McConville, Oakleigh Heights/The Grange
Maggie & John McCabrey, Mary Street
John Breen, Lurgantarry
Jimmy Heaney, Ulster Street
James (Jim) McAreavey, Manor Park
Friday 24th December
James & Sarah Crossey, Grattan Street
Ted Grainger, Bournemouth
Margaret Kennedy, O'Neill's Terrace
Darragh Kerr, Monbrief Walk
Charlotte Harbinson, Wellington Street
John & Brendan Creaney, Church Walk
Willie Toland, Church Walk
Gertie & Joe Loughran, North Circular Road
Bernard Patrick Mulholland, Canada
Saturday 25th December
Kathleen McCorry, Kilmore Hill Road
Francie McCann, Campbell Walk
Elizabeth McCrory, Prospect Way
Marian McCrory, Killough Gardens
Thomas Burke, Kilwilke Road
Maisie Mulholland, Mary Street
Martha McDonald, Kilwilke Road