

BULLETIN

22nd DECEMBER 2019 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



RECENTLY DECEASED

Nuala McGibbin, Cornakinnegar Road
Tom Haddock, Formerly Kilmaine Street

ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday 22nd December

Dympna McStay, Kilmore Hill Road
Kevin Magee, Brownlow Terrace
Rosemarie Cullen, Annesborough Park
Kevin Arthur & Doris Toman, Desmond Avenue
Jean Breen, Lurgantarry
Lilian Starkey, Grattan Street
Bob & Bridie McEvoy, Ennis Close
Michael Magee, Beech Court
Eilish & Gary Kennedy, Kilmore Rd/Rostrevor

Monday 23rd December

Patrick McKerr, Silverwood Drive
Danny Harte, The Grange
James McAreavey, Manor Park
Mary & John Lyness, Cypress Gardens
James Heaney, Ulster Street
Maggie & John McCabrey, Mary Street
Joe McDonald, Victoria St/Newcastle, England

Tuesday 24th December

James & Sarah Crossey, Grattan Street
Margaret Kennedy, O'Neill's Terrace
Joe & Gertie Loughran, North Circular Road
Charlotte Harbinson, Wellington Street
Darren Kerr, Monbrief Walk
Willie Toland, Church Walk
Edel Cassidy, Victoria Street
John Creaney, Church Walk
Ted Grainger, Bournemouth
Patrick Mulholland, Canada
Rebecca Lavery, Kilwarlin
Susan Handy Fox, Wesley Place/B'Ham

Wednesday 25th December

Kathleen McCorry, Kilmore Hill Road
Francie McCann, Campbell Walk
Gary Casey, Albert Avenue
Elizabeth McCrory, Prospect Way
Thomas Burke, Kilwilke Road
Maisie Mulholland, Mary Street
Martha McDonald, Kilwilke Road
Rose & Ted Leatham, Donnelly Gardens
Sheila Broderick, Navan, Co Meath
William & Margaret McAlernon, Tullydagan

Thursday 26th December

Felix McCann, North Street
Lilian Burns, Wellington Street
Thomas McCrory, Prospect Way
Rev Richard O'Connell, Craigavon
Richard Heaney, Brett Avenue
Joe Burns, Arthur Street
Olive Wilson, Lurgan

Friday 27th December

Rosaleen Gaynor, Wellington Street
Patricia Haddock, Brownlow Terrace
Eugene Campbell, Westwood
Jimmy Tallon, Kelly Gardens
Brigid McStay, Wellington Street
Patrick Finnegan, North Street
John Haughian, Kilwilke Road
Sadie Verlaque, Kilwilke Road

Saturday 28th December

Brendan Magee, Kilwilke Road
Concepta Mincher, Allenhill Drive
Kathleen Duffy, Ennis Green
Gerald & Cynthia Geary, Watford
Maureen Filbin, Shore Road
Fergus Lennon, Shore Road

LURGAN LOURDES COMMITTEE

Are now taking applications for Assisted pilgrims for their pilgrimage, 12th – 17th May 2020
Please send details to Secretary:
Rosemary McGuinness
29 Hunters Lodge
Lurgan BT66 6NB

To include:-
Name, address, contact telephone number and GP details

Applications for nurses are also being considered.

Please apply to same address above

LURGAN LOURDES FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Christmas Voucher for Weekly Draw

Buy a £25 Voucher and your name will be on a ticket each Sunday in our Weekly Draw for £50 during 2020
Vouchers can be purchased from The Parish Office



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

THE FOX AND OTHER POEMS

by *Fr Michael Maginn*
Now available from parish offices at St Peter's, St Paul's and St Anthony's. Price £5

Adoration Chapel Christmas Arrangements

The Adoration Chapel will close on Christmas Eve 24th Dec at 5:00 pm
Reopen normal hours 9:00 am – 9:00 pm from Christmas Day

A Day for Life and Faith in Ireland

January 1st, Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
Things to do for Our Lady on January 1st
1. *Go to mass.*

2. Spend a Holy Hour after Mass with exposition, if possible
There will be a Holy Hour in the Adoration Chapel in Edward Street at 3:00 pm on 1st January.

AUTUMN SUNSHINE BREAK TO BENIDORM

5 NIGHT TOUR DEPARTING SUNDAY 04 OCTOBER 2020
5 Nights Full Board in the Famous Sol Pelicanos Hotel, £489 including Return flights, Transfers and Tours
For more details contact Noel 079 5547 5650 Gerard 3832 4741

Pilgrimages for young adults (18 to 30+) Camino a Pilgrimage walk in Spain - May 12th to 17th - cost approx. £480 includes, flights accommodation, insurance, transfers and walkers support.

Lourdes - Costs £610 - covers flights, full board accommodation, transfers, insurance and Lourdes programme. **Choose your pilgrimage** - either a great way to get to know likeminded people, travel and to grow in faith in a very new way. To secure your place, forward a deposit of £200 to the Diocesan Youth Office, 39 - 41 Hill Street, Newry, BT341AT. Cheque payable to the Diocese of Dromore Trust - Youth. For more information email dromoreyd@btconnect.com or phone Frances 028 30833898

Canon Liam Stevenson, Fr Jozef Wozniak, Fr Brian Fitzpatrick, Fr Colum Wright and Deacon Kevin Devine wish all our parishioners every blessing, peace and happiness for Christmas

Spokojnych, zdrowych, radosnych swiat BoKego Narodzenia spedzonych w gronie rodzinny i przyjaciól oraz wszelkiej pomyslności w Nowym Roku. Niechaj Bo_onarodzeniowe swieta przyniosa wszystkim betlejemski blask. duszpasterze



Nollaig Shona Daoibh

PARISH OFFICE

Will close on Monday 23rd December @ 1.00pm for the Christmas & New Year holidays and re-open on Monday 6th January @ 10am

Down's & Proud Christmas Singing Showcase

The children from Down's & Proud would like to invite you all to their Christmas Singing Showcase in St. Peter's Church on Sunday 22nd December at 3.00pm.
Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Parish Hall

The **MENSHED** would like those thank all those who supported their Annual Christmas Bazaar. The total raised was **£700** which will go to Air Ambulance, MacMillan Nurses & Southern Regional Hospice. We wish everyone a happy & peaceful Christmas

Eucharist Ministers/Readers
New rotas are available and can also be accessed on the website at <http://www.lurganparish.com/ourparish/parish-rotas/>

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



Parochial House and Parish Office

Tel. 3832 3161

E-mail: office@stpetersparishlurgan.org Website: www.lurganparish.com

St Paul's Parish Office 3832 1289 & Parochial House, Francis Street 3832 7173

Safeguarding Children and Adults who require protection

Designated person for Dromore Diocese – Mrs Patricia Carville 077 8991 7741

Parish Safeguarding Representative – Mrs Andrea McCarthy. Tel. 079 3555 1093

St Vincent De Paul, Ozanam Centre 3832 5725 Bethany Bereavement Team: 075 4899 1681

Christmas Masses

All Advent Masses as normal up to and including Christmas Eve morning

Christmas Eve

St Peter's 7:00pm | St Paul's 7:00pm
Mass in Polish: St Peter's 9:00pm

Christmas Day:

St Peter's 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am (po polsku) & 12:15pm.
St Paul's: 9:00am, 10:30am, 12noon.

Weekday Masses from 26 December-4 January

St Peter's 9:30am daily (no 8am or 7pm Masses)

St Paul's 10:30am daily

Sunday 29 December, Feast of the Holy Family

Mass times as normal

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

St Peter's

Mon 23 Dec 11:00am-12noon
Tue 24 Dec 11:00am-12noon

St Paul's

Mon 23 Dec 10:30-11:30am
Tue 24 Dec 10:30-11:30am

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 15th December - £3828.38

Donations – £70 loose

Car Park - £943.90

Thank you for your continued support and generosity



We welcome the following children into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism

Lily Toman, Liscorran Road

Abby Teresa Clarke, Desmond Avenue

Leannán Grace McConnell, Portland Manor

Déaglán Thomas Brady, Belvedere Manor

Jack Raymond McKeag, Riverglade Manor

Naomi Méabh Gorman, Cornakinnegar Rd

Baptisms take place on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month @ 1.00pm