

St. Peter's Parish, Shankill

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BULLETIN

5th December 2021 – Second 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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
28th November - £3386.00
Donations - £50.00
Car Park - £391.90
Our sincerest thanks to all our parishioners who have forwarded their offertory promise envelopes every week during this pandemic

 **Baptism**
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
Face masks must be worn & sanitisers are provided. Please us them at all times.

THE POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD
Participants who signed up to the Award in Sept 2020 or this year Sept/Oct 2021 are invited to a meeting in the Parish Hall – beside Church, Wed 8th December at 7.30 pm.
We also welcome young people who want more information about the Award or who want to sign up.

Wednesday 8th December
Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary
Holyday of Obligation
St Peter's Masses – Tuesday 7th @ 7pm - Vigil
Wednesday 8th – 8.00am
St Paul's Masses - Tuesday Vigil 6pm & 10.00am Wednesday 8th
A TIME OF HOPE
Mary, we can appreciate the holy fear that overcame you when the angel of the Lord appeared to you and told you that you would give birth to the One who was the hope of Israel, the One waited by the world. Through you, through your 'yes', the hope of the ages became a reality, entering this world and its history.


Thank you to everyone who supported the Church Gate collection last weekend, which raised £1,389

St Teresa's Primary School, Lurgan
Open afternoons for new Primary 1 children in September 2022
Tues 7th & Wed 8th Dec 2021 2-4pm
All welcome!
Please ring School, as appointment only. 02838 323425

BLESSING FOR A CHRISTMAS CRIB

O God, out of your love for us you sent your dearly beloved Son to become man. You willed that he be born in a humble stable in order to give us an example of humility.
We pray you now to bless this crib, a representative of the scene of his birth: may it draw us closer to him.
By imitating his humility may we become a willing dwelling place for his rebirth, Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord.

BLESSING FOR A CHRISTMAS TREE

Bless this tree, this sign of life and freshness and perseverance in creation. It is a reminder that you are born anew in us each day.
Bless our family and friends as we celebrate this joyful season.
Keep us safe in our travels, kind in our conversations, and gracious in our giving and receiving.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Appeal:
This year the Annual Christmas Appeal is on Sunday, 12th December. A member of the Society will speak at all the Masses that weekend.
We have also begun our appeal for help with food, gifts, and toys for distribution to families in need for Christmas. There are still some gift tags left on the bulletin board at the back of the Church. When you take one to buy a gift be sure to return the tag along with the gift.
As always, we are indebted to you for your wonderful generosity.
We thank you and ask God's blessing on you all.

CHRISTMAS GLOBAL GIFT CARDS
Christmas Cards £4 – per pack of 12
Soap £5, Solar Lamp £10, Seeds & Tools £10, Menstrual Dignity Kit £10, School Lunches £15, Emergency Water £15, School Kit £20, Water Filter £35, Mental Health Lifeline £40, Goats £40, Help for Grandparents £40, Baby Kit & Maternity Care £45
Honeybees £55, Trees £75, Water £85, Women's Empowerment £85, Human Rights £85, A Safe Home £125, Ox Plough/Farming Tools £170,
Cards available from the Parish Office until Tuesday 21st December

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
Noel 079 5547 5650

MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2022:
7 Nights Apartment B&B and return Airport transfer from Dubrovnik or Split from €315 per person sharing. Guaranteed Airport transfer price for any flight. Contact us for details and book the dates that suit you.
Tel. 00353 1443 4510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com
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ADORATION CHAPEL
Edward Street. Private Prayer Only. Adoration 9am – 7pm

'In the Blessed Sacrament, the divine is hidden; the human is hidden; love alone is left for all to see'

Mary's Meals - Double the Love
Thanks to your support, Mary's Meals are bringing joy to over 2 million children with a daily meal in their place of education.
Our 'Double the Love' campaign runs until 31st January 2022, all donations up to a total of £1.6 million will be matched by a generous group of private donors.
Every little act of love will go that little bit further during this period to help us reach the next child waiting, so please consider supporting this campaign and praying for its success.
There are many ways to get involved including choosing one of our Mary's Meals gift cards or setting a place at our Big Family Christmas table - find out more at www.marysmeals.org.uk

FOOD BANK
The Food Bank in **St Paul's** is open again for donations. The door of parish office area will be open daily for items to be left in. **Monday – Friday, 9.00am – 12.00 noon**

BETTER TOGETHER GROUP
Christmas Dinner and Party
Sunday 19 December
2 – 5.30pm
St Anthony's Parish Centre
Price £15
For Booking and Transport Contact:
Colette :07470198180
Mary: 07840 985576
Michael: 07876 057550

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel Luke 3:1-6
1. The manner in which Luke identifies in detail the time when John the Baptist started his preaching shows that Luke regarded this as a historic moment. Perhaps you can recall in detail the time and the circumstances of particularly significant moments in your life?
2. John called people to give expression to their desire for a change of heart by a symbolic baptism in the Jordan. When have you found it helpful to symbolise your desire to change for the better by some symbolic gesture, e.g., burning a packet of cigarettes, sending a card, making a phone call, etc.
3. 'A voice crying in the wilderness' is sometimes taken to refer to a voice that is ignored. Pope Francis has issued a call to all of us to take part in the consultation process preparing for the Synod in 2023. What can you, and your faith community, do to make sure his call is answered?

ANNIVERSARIES OVER CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR
Anniversaries and Month's Mind Notices that occur up to Saturday 8th January 2022 should be left into the Parish Office on or before Tuesday 21st December @ 12.00 noon if they are to be included in the Bulletin over the Christmas/New Year holiday.
Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church


RECENTLY DECEASED
John Henderson, Castor Bay Road
Eileen Murray, Antrim Road
Ray Haughey, Francis Street
Josephine Cooney Richmount Gardens
Anne Tipping, Inglewood
Helen Galloway, Killough Gardens
Imelda Magee, Deeny Drive

MONTH'S MIND
Sunday 5th December
Marie O'Neill, Tarry Lane
Friday 10th December
Nuala McAlinden Chestnut Grove

ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 5th December
Harry McDonald, Garland Avenue
Francis McSherry, Drumnamoe Avenue
Billy Gordon, Kilwilke Gardens
James Kelly, Brownlow Terrace
Teresa Henderson, Levin Road
Monday 6th December
Bessie Flynn, Brownlow Terrace
Angela Breen, Ulster Street
Elizabeth Toman, Wesley Place
Eric Marshall, Donnelly Gardens
Tuesday 7th December
Mary Derby, Clara Street
Robert Rae, Brett Avenue
John Toman, Deramore Drive
Angela McVeigh, North Street
Bill Doyle, Brownlow Terrace
Kevin Magee, Rowan Manor
Norah Loughran, Deeny Drive

Wednesday 8th December
Sean McVeigh, Tannaghmore North Road
Stephen Mulholland, Silverwood Drive
Jim McStravick, Plymouth
Mary McVeigh Colane Road
Annie McCann, The Wood
Agnes McAlinden, Aghagallon
Mary McCorry, Glenavy
Seamus Gallery, Killough Gardens
Brigid Gordon, Annaloiste
Thursday 9th December
Ted Magennis, Lurgantarry
Austin Toman, Antrim Road
Mary Catherine Fox, William Street
Vincent Moore, Highmoss
Elizabeth (Lily) McShane, Shore Road
Sean McKavanagh, Castor Bay Road
Julia & James McSherry, North Street
Dolores Magennis, Garland Avenue
Derek McPeake, Victoria Gardens
Tony McVeigh, Ballinery Road
Mary McLoughlin, Maple Court
Mary & Samuel, Holland, Cypress Gardens
Hugh & Nora McStravick, Shore Road

Friday 10th December
Donald McCorry, Victoria Street Place
Thomas Hill, Magheralin
Emma Kearney, Kilwarlin
Saturday 11th December
Mary McConville, Silverwood Drive
Charlotte Agnew, Tannaghmore North Road
Sam Coleman, Edward Street
May they rest in peace