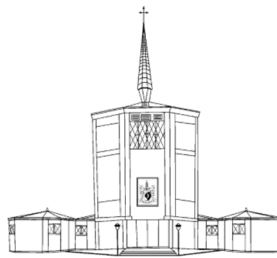


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

OUR PARISH BULLETIN



We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. Your prayers, your presence and your talents are most welcome!
May God bless all of us.

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Download App Store or Google Play

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"Volunteers needed. Please give your time"

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND ADULTS WHO REQUIRE PROTECTION:
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A SPECIAL EVENING OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION - PADRE PIO MASS – SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER AT 7PM - Veneration of the Holy Relic of Padre Pio will be available during the 7pm Mass, in St Patrick's Aghagallon, followed by individual blessings immediately afterwards. All are warmly welcome to attend. Tea and Coffee will be served after Mass at the Kiosk

GIFT – GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER

will be starting in St Peters Hall Thursday 24 September from 6:30pm – 8pm for five weeks. GIFT is a fun, faith-filled programme designed to help the seeds of faith planted through the Sacraments in primary school continue to grow. Through friendship, activities, prayer and shared experiences, GIFT encourages young people to discover that faith is not simply something we receive, but a living relationship with Jesus that can become a natural and joyful part of everyday life. Our hope is to nurture that seed, ignite a fire in the hearts of our young people, and give them the confidence to live their faith openly. By becoming who God created them to be, they can inspire others, carry His light into their homes, parish and communities, and set the world aflame once again! "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire".

St Catherine of Siena



FATHER JOZEF

It is with sadness that we have to announce that Fr Jozef will be leaving us this coming week for a new appointment in England.

To give thanks for Fr Jozef's years of service here in Lurgan he will celebrate **the 12:00 Mass in St Peter's today Sunday 13th September, followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall.**

All are welcome to attend.

There will also be envelopes available at the back of each Church for any messages of thanks that you might like to offer to him. Please place envelopes in collectors' baskets.

Dziękuję i niech Bóg cię błogosławi.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH GROUP

Welcomes you back to another year of very interesting sessions to experience in our 2026 - 2027 programme.

The first of these is on **Wednesday September 16th at 7:30pm in the Jethro Centre.**

The presentation "The Belfast Blitz 85 Years On" is led by Mark Wigton, Outreach Officer of the NI War Memorial Museum.

Please invite your family, friends or anyone who has an interest in the history of the wars that may have affected us. There will be light refreshments served afterwards.

FAMILY MASS

The Family Mass will be resuming today 13 September and we look forward to having the children participate in the Liturgy of the Mass again and of course to the return of our amazing choir. If your child would like to get involved in readings, prayers or the offertory procession please speak to one of the ladies of the Children's Liturgy Group after Mass or leave your details with Fionnuala in the Sacristy.

ST PAUL'S JUNIOR CHOIR

NOW RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

Do you love to sing and make music? Aged 8-18 years? Then consider joining our choir! The Junior Choir returns to the 10.30am Family Mass today **Sunday 13th September.**

Open to all, with members from every school, Primary 4 up to Year 14.

No previous experience needed and no auditions.

We have weekly rehearsals on a Tuesday afternoon with lots of learning, fun and friendship along the way!

Contact us through the Parish Office to leave your details and we will get in touch or speak to Pat (choir director) at the piano on Sunday after 10.30am Mass.

We have another packed schedule ahead for 2026 for everyone to look forward to! Pat, Marie Thérèse, Kerrie and Briega.

"To sing is to pray twice" St. Augustine



BAPTISMS

All parents wishing to have a child baptized in St Paul's Parish, must notify the

Parish Office in person.

ONE MONTH'S NOTICE IS REQUIRED

Baptisms take place on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Society will hold its Annual General Meeting on **MONDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2026 @ 7:00pm**

in **St Patrick's PS Ballymaghery, 13 Castlewellan Rd., Hilltown BT34 5UY.**

After the formal business of Reports and election of officers, there will be a lecture at **7:30pm** by **Martin Goss** entitled **Dr James McPolin M.D.: Cabra and Limerick.** Everyone very welcome.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS MEMORIAL TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2026

O Mother of Sorrows, most afflicted of all mothers! I look to you with confidence and love. As I meditate upon the swords of sorrow that pierced your Immaculate Heart, obtain for me the grace of true repentance and the courage to bear my own sufferings with patience. Holy Mary, stand by me in my trials, care for me in my many needs, and pray for me now and at the hour of my death. Amen.



REMEMBER THEM O LORD

As parishioners we offer our sincere sympathy, prayers and support to the family members of those who have died recently:

RECENTLY DECEASED

Patrick (Paddy) Nugent, Cottage Walk
Brian McShane, Beaumont Square
John Owens, formerly Templar Court
SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.30AM

Ann Toner, Villiers Avenue
Philomena Burns, Ashwood
Imelda Kerr, Brookvale Walk

SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER VIGIL MASS 7.00PM

Anthony Jordan (MM), Charles Street
Jimmy Brankin, Redditch, England
Patrick Brankin (Senior), Portadown

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2026 9.00AM

Pat and Pearl Lavery, Magheralin
Sister Perpetua McCann, Convent of Mercy, Lurgan
Mary and Paddy Haughian, Kiln Lane, Silverwood
Mary Lavery, New Street

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.30AM

Seamus Breen (MM)
Coleman Drive, Derrymacash
Sinead Barrett, Francis Street

MONDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.00AM

Maureen O'Hagan, Francis Street
Gerald Cabrey, Albert Avenue
Veronica Jordan, Taghnevan
Anna McDowell, New Street

TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.00AM

Annie, William & Roseanne Corey, Ashdene Park
Tommy Nash, Waring Street
Olive Mallon, Cypress Gardens
Bernadine McAshea, Carrickvale Avenue
Charles McCorry, Francis Street

WEDNESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.00AM

Joseph (Joe) McGivern, Cafolla Gardens
John Joe Furphy, Silverwood Drive

THURSDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.00AM

Attracta McInteggart, Mansefield
Sheila Harbinson, Pinebank

FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.00AM

Frank Hughes, Glenholme Park
Sarah Jane Cafolla, Francis Street

SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.30AM

Sarah McCarron, Shankill Street

SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2026 - VIGIL 7.00PM

Helen Toman (MM), Downshire Avenue

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD!

MOYRAVERTY 50+ GROUP

Monthly Tea Dance takes place in St Anthony's Parish Centre on Thursday 17th September 2026
8.00 - 10.00pm
£5 (includes light supper) raffle prizes
Music by: Mons Wheeler

LAUS TRINITATI/ANTIPHON FOR THE TRINITY – ST HILDEGARD FEAST, 17 SEPTEMBER

To the Trinity be praise!
God is music, God is life
that nurtures every creature in its kind.
Our God is the song of the angel throng
and the splendor of secret ways
hid from all humankind,
But God our life is the life of all.

by St Hildegard von Bingen (1098-1179)
(English version by Barbara Newman, Original Language Latin)

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

As Catholics, we have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which allows us to experience God's forgiveness personally. It is a reminder of His boundless love and mercy. In turn, it should inspire us to be forgiving and merciful in our interactions with others. We must remember that forgiveness is not just a one-time act but a continuous disposition of the heart. Let us be mindful of the unforgiving servant in the parable and strive to be merciful and forgiving as our Heavenly Father is to us. In doing so, we bear witness to the transformative power of God's love and mercy in our lives and in the world.

Adam Eichelberger • assumptions.org

St Paul's Parish now accepts ONLINE DONATIONS Just scan the QR code with your phone camera to donate



Or visit <https://donate.myдона.com/st-pauls-parish-lurgan>

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

2-4 OCTOBER 2026

Marriage Encounter Ireland invites married couples to a residential Weekend from

Friday 2 to Sunday 4 October 2026 at the "Focolare Centre" "Curryhills", Prosperous, Co. Kildare.

Step away from daily distractions to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage.

<https://www.marriageencounter.ie/>

FAMILY CARE SERVICES COLLECTION

This Collection on Sunday 20th September 2026 provides funds for services such as ACCORD, CURA and the Armagh Regional Marriage Tribunal. These services are available for any parishioner at particular times of need, regardless of ability to pay.