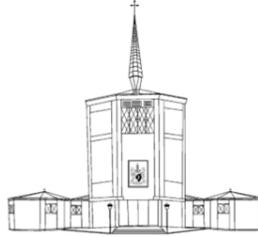


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

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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SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2026
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST PAUL'S PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Vigil 7:00pm (Saturday)
9:00am and 10:30am.

Weekdays

Monday to Friday: 10:00am
Saturday 10.30am

Saint Paul's Parish Office

Parish Secretary
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Email:

stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm
Requests for Anniversaries and Month's

Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon on the Wednesday prior to the week before if they are to be included in the Bulletin.

The minimum diocesan stipend is £10. ENVELOPES ARE PROVIDED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH WHICH WE WOULD ASK YOU TO PLEASE USE.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Addressing educators, Pope Francis recalled that education has always been one of the highest expressions of Christian charity: "yours is a mission full of obstacles as well as joys, a mission of love because you cannot teach without loving." In this sense, since ancient times, Christians have understood that knowledge liberates, gives dignity and brings us closer to the truth. For the Church, teaching the poor was an act of justice and faith
Inspired by the example of the Master who taught people divine and human truths, she took on the mission of forming children and young people, especially the poorest, in truth and love.

*Pope Leo XIV
Dilexi Te, Love for the Poort*

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 8 February 2026 £2,004.55

Thank you for your continued generosity to your Parish and your Priests.



ST PETER'S PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Vigil 6:00pm (Saturday)
8:00am, 10:00am (po polsku)
and 12 Noon

Weekdays

Monday to Friday: 8:00am
Tuesday: and Friday 7:00pm
Saturday 9.30am

Saint Peter's Parish Office

Parish Secretary
(028) 3832 3161
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Office Hours

Monday 10:00am – 1:00pm and
1:45pm – 4.00pm
Tuesday–Thursday 9.00am – 1.00pm
and 1:45pm – 4.00 pm
Friday 9.00am–1.00pm
and 1:30pm –2:30pm

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR 2026

God the Father Loves you personally
WEEK 1 Thursday 26th February. - 1st week of Lent

Jesus saved you and set you free
WEEK 2 Thursday 12th March - 3rd week of Lent

Jesus is the Lord of your Life
WEEK 3 Thursday 19th March - 4th week of Lent

Called to be a Disciple of Jesus
WEEK 4 Thursday 16th April - 2nd week of Eastertide

Jesus sends me his Holy Spirit
WEEK 5 Wednesday 13th May - 6th week of Eastertide

You will receive the Holy Spirit
WEEK 6 Thursday 21st May - 7th week of Eastertide

Baptism of the Holy Spirit - Holy Mass
WEEK 7 Wednesday 27th May - Wednesday after Pentecost

6.30 - 7.30pm St. Peters Parish Hall
(Beside the church)
70 North Street, Lurgan, BT67 9AH

24-HOUR NUMBER FOR ALL SICK CALLS AND EMERGENCIES

TEL: (028) 3832 3161

TEL: (028) 38321289

Parish web: www.lurganparish.com

Facebook: @lurganparish

Parish App: Parish365

Download App Store or Google Play

Saint Vincent de Paul

William Street:

(028) 3832 5725

"Volunteers needed. Please give your time"

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND ADULTS WHO REQUIRE PROTECTION: Dromore Diocesan Designated Liaison Person

Mr Stephen Sherry: 07301246329
safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org

Saint Paul's Parish Safeguarding Representative and Parish Sacristan.
Telephone: 07563 293429



BAPTISMS

With great joy and thanksgiving we welcome the following child into our parish community who was baptized recently in St Paul's:

Éidin Mulholland
Autumn Rae Lester

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.

PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE 20th FEBRUARY 2026

Lord, forgive us our many sins. We grieve and repent with all our hearts for having offended you, for our great failings and neglect of the young and vulnerable. We place all of those who have been hurt by the Church in any way into your loving hands and under the protection of Our Blessed Mother.

Lord, bring peace to their broken lives and show us all the way out of darkness and into the light of your Word.

May we as the people of God be re fully human, more fully Christ-like and more fully your people, that we may see the errors of the past and go forward with renewed hope and faith in Christ and in our Church. Amen.

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FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

Tuesday 17 February St Fintan born in Leinster and received his religious formation in Co Tipperary under the abbot Colum. He was deeply influenced by his penitential practices and the severity of the Rule.

Ash Wednesday 18th February: Start of Lent - There is a sense that the time to turn back and repent is now. The Gospel tells us how to approach that renewal of our lives. It puts before us the remedy in prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These three strands of Lenten observance are as ancient as Christianity itself. There is no substitute for them.

Friday 21st February - St Peter Damian, Bishop and doctor of the Church: gave up teaching to become a hermit. Later he was Cardinal Bishop of Ostia. He was an outstanding reformer of Church life and discipline.

WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY begins the season of Lent

MASSES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Masses in **St Paul's:** 10am and 7pm
Masses in **St Peter's:** 8am and 6pm

Ashes will be distributed after all Masses

Stations of the Cross each Friday in St Paul's after the 10.00am Mass

FORMS OF FRIDAY PENANCE FOR LENT

The following are suggested as ways of fulfilling Friday Penance:

- Abstaining from meat or some other foods;
- Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking;
- Making a special effort at involvement in family prayer;
- Making a special effort to participate in Mass on Fridays;
- Visiting the Blessed Sacrament;
- Making the Stations of the Cross;
- Fasting from all food for a longer period than usual and perhaps giving what is saved to the needy;
- Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely.

Statement on Friday Penance issued by the Bishops' Conference 2011

ST VINCENT DE PAUL'S SENIOR CITIZEN SUPPER DANCE

in the Stables Bar and Lounge on Wednesday, 25 February at 7:00pm sharp.

Music by Black Gold.

Seniors can pick up their tickets at the Ozanam Center, William Street on Wednesday 18 February at 11:00am on a first come, first serve basis.

SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS

Collection Date 22nd February 2026

As a Diocese we must provide support for our sick, elderly and retired priests who have dedicated their lives to serving the people of the parishes of the Diocese. Many of these Priests have no other sources of support and therefore rely on the generosity of parishes through this collection.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD

"They left everything at once and followed him" (Lk 5:11)

Thinking about a calling to serve? Join us for an in-person Discernment Retreat designed to help you explore the path to the diocesan priesthood. It's a relaxed space to reflect, ask questions, and connect with others on the same journey. Come as you are and take time to listen to where your heart might be leading!

Residential weekend: 6-8 March 2026, Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne.

For more details contact Fr Brian Fitzpatrick on pp.moyraverty.seagoe@gmail.com, or search 'discernment retreat' in Larne on eventbrite.co.uk to book a free place online.

Organised by Northern Dioceses' Vocations Directors.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Volunteers Needed

SVP Society support our brothers and sisters who need help. We are finding it difficult to meet the demand and need more home-visitation volunteers.

Can you spare 4 hours a week?

You will get full support and training and find it a fulfilling experience.

If you would like to hear more, please join us for a short information night on **Tuesday 17th February @ 7.00pm** in the Ozanam Centre, William Street

CONRADH NA GAELIGE

The Lurgan Branch of Conradh Na Gaeilge will be holding the Annual General Meeting in their premises North Street on

Sunday 15th February at 3.00pm.
All interested welcome to attend

LÆTARE VIGIL FOR WOMEN

Saturday 14 March at Holy Family Mission, Glencomeragh, Co Waterford.

Join lay women of all ages, married and single, to unite in a day of prayer with women religious from over a dozen different orders—a unique experience not to be missed! Spaces limited.

Register now on Eventbrite.

Laetare Vigil Tickets
Saturday 14 March 2026 at 09:30.



ADORATION CHAPEL EDWARD STREET Adoration 9am to 9pm

ONLINE BEREAVEMENT INFORMATION EVENING

For bereaved parents -- regardless of the age of their child, circumstances of their death, or time since bereavement.

This event will take place online on [Tuesday 17th February at 7pm](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)

This Bereavement Information Evening is a special collaboration with our colleagues in the bereavement space, featuring voices from A Little Lifetime, Féileacán, and HUGG. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Brid Carroll.

Bereaved parents are warmly invited to register here:

[Register here for Anam Cara Online Bereavement Information Evening](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)

FOOD BANK

The door to the parish office area will be open daily from

9am until 12 Noon Monday to Friday for non-perishable items.

Thank You for your continued support.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 31st May 2026.

Further information will follow regarding transport etc.,



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

Kieran Mulholland Ennis Close
Joe Coyle, Armagh/Lurgan
Veronica Smith, Abbeyfields, Sloan Street
Angela Goff, Lower North Street
Margie Kerr (née McCrory), Allenhill Drive
Maria Jachym, Poland

SATURDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2026 10.30AM

John Haughey, Lower North Street/Dublin

SATURDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2026 7.00PM VIGIL

Sandra McCartan, Lawrencetown

Hugh Totten, Aghagallon

SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2026 9.00AM

Danny Butler, Ashwood

Tréa Derby, Belvedere Manor

SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2026 10.30AM

Kathleen Doran, Killough Gardens

Hugh and Philomena McGinley, Taghnevan Close

Gerald Kane, Wolfisland Terrace

MONDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2026 10.00AM

Kenny Haddock, Edward Street

Anne McKernan, Derrylodge Manor

TUESDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2026 10.00AM

Mary McCann, Carrickvale Avenue

Rosemarie McDowell (née Toal)

Skeltons Rampart/Prospect Way

James Crossey, Cypress Gardens

WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2026 10.00AM

Maddy-Leigh Harbinson, Collingdale

Lillian Strawbridge, Beechcourt

Sean Lavery, New Street

THURSDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2026 10.00AM

Brian Anderson, Waringstown

FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2026 10.00AM

Jim Smyth (Junior), Old Portadown Road

Sean McGeown, Old Portadown Road

Elizabeth Carbery, Richmount Gardens

SATURDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2026 10.30AM

Audrey Moore, Annaloiste Road

Rachel and Mick Breen, Richmount Gardens

Angela Power, Killough, Co Down

SATURDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2026 7.00PM VIGIL

Colum Doyle (MM)

James Lodge, Gawley's Gate

Seamus (Shay) Toman (MM)

Downshire Avenue

Kathleen Devlin, Ardmore Road

Ivan Mason, Downshire Avenue

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!

Please note our email address:

stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org

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



Or visit

<https://donate.mydona.com/st-pauls-parish-lurgan>