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!



SUNDAY 15 JANUARY 2023 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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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 Telephone: (028) 3832 1289 Email:

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Office Hours Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm

Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind

Notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon each Wednesday if they are to be included in the Bulletin.

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

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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

DROMORE DIOCESAN LOURDES 50TH JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE 2023

The Dromore diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 17 May - 22 May 2023. The cost is £750.00 per person which covers general insurance cover (to include Covid 19), transport to/from airports, full board accommodation, a programme of ceremonies in Lourdes, assistance of travel agent representatives in Lourdes.

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic we will not be able to offer hospital accommodation for the sick.

There is only 1 aircraft (189 seats), and bookings will be accepted on first come basis. Please contact Enda Brady on 0791 871 7167 before Friday 10 February 2023 to book.

FOOD BANK

The door to the parish office area will be open daily from 9am until 12 Noon Monday to Friday for non-perishable food and essential non-food items such as toiletries and hygiene products to be dropped off.

We are indebted to our volunteers & to everyone who have donated items to us.

"The Goodyear Sports & Social Club will

host a Gala Charity Bingo night and Disco on Saturday 28th January at 8pm. Raffle prizes galore. Bingo book entry £5. All proceeds to The Peoples Kitchen charity for homelessness and addiction services".

BETTER TOGETHER GROUP

Next monthly Tea Dance Sunday 15th January 2023

in the Hub Craigavon: 3pm-5.30pm

Anam Cara Armagh, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 25th January at 7:15pm in the Armagh City Hotel, Armagh, BT601E.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online support service. Contact us info@anamcara.ie or (028) 9521 3120 for any queries.

24-HOUR NUMBER FOR ALL SICK CALLS AND **EMERGENCIES** TEL: (028) 3832 3161

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

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

Mrs Patricia Carville. Tel. 077 8991 7741 Saint Paul's Parish Safeguarding Representative and Parish Sacristan. Telephone: 07563 293429

FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

Sunday 15th January 2023 -

Jesus is chosen by the Spirit to be Lamb and Servant; Paul is chosen to be an apostle. Each of us in baptism is chosen. We are chose to live a life of holiness,, to share in God's life, a life for us of praise and worship, of witness and apostolicity. St Ita. Virgin Born in Co Waterford. She founded a monastery in Killeedy, Co

Limerick. Monday 16th January 2023 - Hebrews -Jesus grew in suffering and learned to obey God's will. He is the bridegroom who is always with us.

Tuesday 17th January - St Anthony, died 356. Father of monasticism, lived a life of solitude but also attracted may others to form communities of hermits.

Wednesday 18th January - Hebrews -Sunday worship fulfils the moral command of the Old Covenant, taking up its rhythm and spirt in the weekly celebration of the Creator and Redeemer of his people.

Thursday 19th January - Hebrews: Christ always gives his Church the gift of unity, but the Church must always pray and work to maintain, reinforce and perfect the unity that Christ wills for her'

Friday 20th January - Fabian, pope and martyr: had been Pope for fourteen years when martyred under Decius in the year 250.

St Sebastian, martyr - may have been a soldier and was martyred in the persecution of Diocletian. He sustained many others in their trials

Saturday 21st January - St Agnes, virgin and martyr - wealthy and beautiful was martyred for her virginity in the persecutions in Rome, in the early fourth century. Patron of betrothed couples, gardeners and young girls.

LIFELINE CRISIS

response helpline service for people who are experiencing distress or despair. Tel FREE on 0808 808 8000

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 1 January 2023 - £2,076.00

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

NEW MEMBERS FOR ST PAUL'S MALE AND FEMALE CHOIR

We are seeking new members, both male and female, to join our dedicated Senior choir in enhancing the 7.00pm Vigil Mass every Saturday evening. The only requirement is a passion for singing, a commitment to attend a weekly rehearsal and mass on Saturday evening.

If you would like to join please leave your name and a contact number in the Parish office, with the Sacristan or see Brian or any choir member.

"I play the notes as they are written, but it is God who makes the music".

Friends of Southern Area Hospice

invite you to join them at St Ronan's College (St Mary's) Arthur Street Entrance for A Musical Evening Thursday 19th January at 7pm All donations to Southern Area Hospice



ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street Private Prayer Only Adoration: 9am - 7pm

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 23rd January : @7:30pm The Society will host an online ZOOM lecture by Larry Breen entitled "Dan Donnelly, Regency Rogue- his life and times"

Larry Breen, originally from Lurgan, is editor of the Journal of the Federation of Local History Societies, and resident in Co. Kildare.

Access to the event will be available from 7:20pm with a start at 7:30pm sharp. A link to the talk can be obtained by e-mailing the Hon Secretary goss.jjm@gmail.com

and will be forwarded on Monday January 23rd. All welcome

NI Cancer Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Sunday 28 May to Friday 2 June '23

The price of £799 (with price reduction for Cancer Patients) will include: Full board, travel and accommodation at the Hotel Agena for five nights. The group will consist of patients, ex-patients, relatives and friends accompanied by medical, nursing and other staff.

To enquire or to obtain a booking form please speak to a member of the committee on Tel. 0787 468 8388 or email mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk

BILLY (the Kid) was a wild man in his youth! He sported huge shaggy red hair and wore washed out jeans with a tee shirt that had massive gaping holes in it. Billy walked around in his bare feet most of the time, he was highly intelligent, very unconventional and tremendous fun to be with - everyone loved Billy. During his time at college Billy became a Christian.

Across the road from the main campus was an extremely conservative Church, and one day Billy decided to visit. He walked in when the Service was just about to begin, and not seeing any seats available he made his way up the middle aisle and squatted down on the carpet, which was just beneath the pulpit. Although squatting on the floor was perfectly acceptable behaviour at college parties, it was not quite the norm in Church - especially this Church!

The old Minister came out on to the sanctuary, welcomed everyone and invited them to join in singing the opening hymn as the procession made its way up from the back of the Church. An old man of eighty who was a Church elder carried up the book of gospels in procession. The congregation watched with great anticipation to see what his reaction would be to this hippy-like creature squatting on the carpet. The Minister began to feel under great pressure, and wondered if steam was starting to rise from beneath his collar?

To everyone's amazement when the old man reached the top of the Church he simply put the book of the gospels into the pulpit and made his way to where Billy was. With great difficulty he lowered himself down on to the carpet beside Billy smiled, and shook hands with him.

When the Minister's blood pressure finally settled down he said to the congregation, 'What I'm about to preach to you, you might not remember! What you have just seen, you will never forget.

Be very careful every day how you live your lives, because you may just be the only bible that some people will ever read!'

J.S. Bach

CHRISTIAN UNITY

WEEK

our world

falls each year around the middle of January. This coming year there will be a special prayer service in St. Peter's Church on Wednesday evening, 18th January at 7:30pm. This is sponsored by the Community Outreach Group. All are welcome to attend and pray for Unity and Justice in



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 Ann Clarke (née McColgan) Dorset, England Peggy McMullan, formerly Wellington Street **Brian Hughes, Dill Avenue**

Geraldine Mulholland (née Magill), Newline Ann Murphy (née Lynch), College Close Una King, (née Gillen)

formerly Donnelly Gardens/Antrim Road

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 14 JANUARY 2023 (VIGIL MASS Evelyn McCorry, Parkview Street William Haughey, Francis Street John Dummigan, Brown Street Hugh Burns, Ashwood

SUNDAY 15 JANUARY 2023 9.00AM MASS Pat Brewster, Westacres, Craigavon Patrick McCrory, Cafolla Gardens Francis Breen, Hillcrest, Gilpinstown

SUNDAY 15 JANUARY 10.30AM MASS Margaret O'Hagan, Downshire Avenue Frank McConville, Killough Gardens/Manor Drive Birdie Anderson, Waringstown Bill Dawson, Garrymore, Craigavon Leonard Harvey, College Walk Colm Kelly, Old Course Road, Downpatrick James McCarron (Senior), Shankill Street

> MONDAY 16 JANUARY 10.00AM Anita Inglis, Silverwood Leaves Martina Power, Victoria Street David McConaghy, Killough Gardens John Livingstone, O'Neill's Terrace

TUESDAY 17 JANUARY 10.00AM Frank Smyth, Ulster Street Maureen McKerr, Deeny Drive Maryanna McCluskey, The Palms Seamus Casey, Ailsbury Gardens James Greene, Dingwell Park

WEDNESDAY 18 JANUARY 10.00AM Sarah McGeown, Manor Drive Daniel McCrory, Rampart Street Hilary Doherty, Windsor Avenue

THURSDAY 19 JANUARY 10.00AM Lauren Mallon, Taghnevan Drive Ambrose Smyth, Winnifred Terrace Josie Reid, Drumbeg North Margaret McKerr, Monbrief Walk Anita Doran, Gilpins Mews Margaret Duff, Antrim Road

FRIDAY 20 JANUARY 10.00AM Stephen Barry, Richmount Gardens Brinsley Lavery, London/Antrim Road Peggy Anderson, Waringstown Joseph Duff (Senior), Antrim Road

SATURDAY 21 JANUARY 10.00AM Cecilia Greene, Albert Street Felix O'Hagan, Turmoyra Minnie Toland, Church Walk

SATURDAY 21 JANUARY VIGIL MASS 7.00PM Brian Lenehan (MM), Caroline Avenue

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD. AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM. MAY THEY REST IN PEACE. AMEN.