

# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

## OUR PARISH BULLETIN

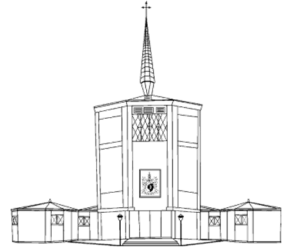
We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. Your prayers, your presence and your talents are most welcome! May God bless all of us.

### OUR PARISH CLERGY

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**SUNDAY 16 MAY 2021**  
**The Ascension of the Lord**



### 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 – Patricia McCann  
**Telephone: (028) 3832 1289**  
Email: [office@stpaulsparishlurgan.org](mailto:office@stpaulsparishlurgan.org)

**Office Hours**  
**Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm**  
Please telephone or email the Parish Office to let us know of anniversaries or alternatively post them through the office letterbox **before 12.30pm each Wednesday.**



Congratulations on this happy occasion to all the boys and girls from Saint Francis Primary School who made their First Holy Communion during the past week.



### 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 – Mrs Marie Brady  
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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

**Taghnevan preschool playgroup**  
Places available for September 2021  
9.30 -12.30 Monday to Friday  
Cost £35.00 per week  
Contact 028 38324989  
[taghnevanpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:taghnevanpreschool@gmail.com)



**LOURDES 2021** - In place of travelling to Lourdes this year due to the ongoing pandemic, Lurgan is hosting a programme of events for the Dromore Diocese to shadow the activities we would have been doing in Lourdes this week. Parishioners are warmly invited to join us (maximum 80) or via webcam, in these days of devotion to Our Lady of Lourdes.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** 7.00pm – St Paul's - Mass followed by the Holy Rosary  
**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May:** 7.00pm - St Peter's - Mass.  
7.00pm - St Paul's – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reflection and Rosary  
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May** 7.00pm – St Paul's – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reflection and Rosary  
**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May:** 7.00pm – St Paul's - Mass followed by the Holy Rosary.  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May:** 7.00pm - St Peter's - Closing Mass, celebrated by the Spiritual Director, Fr Fitzpatrick (this Mass can be viewed through the webcam).  
Also search 'TV Lourdes online' for live stream from the grotto of rosary at 2pm and Mass at 5pm in English every day.

*Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Bernadette, pray for the world in this time of global pandemic.*

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

**Parish web:** [www.lurganparish.com](http://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**  
Ms Fionnuala Hamill. Tel. 07563 293429



### ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street  
Adoration Chapel  
Private Prayer only  
9.00am - 7.00pm.



### BAPTISMS

With great joy and thanksgiving we welcome the following children into our parish community

Leia Susan Lavery, Ashwood  
Rose Fianna Reid, Knockramer Meadows  
Conan John Gibson, The Grange  
Pippa Lily McEvoy, Ferngrove Drive

All parents wishing to have a child baptized in St Paul's Parish, must contact the Parish Office  
by telephone (028) 3832 1289.  
One month's notice is required.

At the moment, only Parents, Godparents and baby can attend.

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

### FOOD BANK

A huge thank you to everyone for your generous donations to the food bank.

For the month of April you kindly donated 185kg/ 13 stone worth of items for Craigavon Foodbank.

At the moment the foodbank are running low on the following items:

- Crisps/snacks
- Instant Mash Potato Powder
- Hand soap
- Jelly
- Noodles
- Ketchup
- Tinned tomatoes

Your generosity is hugely appreciated and is making a positive difference in a lot of people's lives.

The door to the parish office area will be open daily from **9am until 12 Noon Monday to Friday** for all donations to be dropped off. Thank You!

### CEMETERY SUNDAY

Since there will not be a Cemetery Sunday again this year, all Masses on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> May (in both St Peter's and St Paul's) will be offered for the repose of the souls of everyone buried in the Dougher and St Colman's Cemeteries.

People may wish to visit the cemeteries in their own time to sprinkle the graves of their loved ones with holy water at a time of their choosing during the days 23<sup>rd</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> May.

### Pope urges Catholics to pray in May for end to Covid-19 pandemic

Pope Francis invites Catholics and Marian Shrines around the world to dedicate the month of May to a marathon of prayer for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the Marian month of May to praying for an end to the pandemic.

The initiative, behind which the Pope has thrown his support, involves 30 Marian Shrines from various parts of the world.

The Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization announced the news with a press release on Wednesday afternoon. It takes place under the theme "**The whole Church was fervently praying to God,**" which recalls a verse in the Book of Acts (12:5).

### Prayer initiative

"The initiative will involve all the Shrines of the world in a special way, so that they might encourage the faithful, families, and communities to recite the Rosary to pray for an end to the pandemic," read the statement. **Pope Francis will open the Marian month of prayer on 1 May with a Rosary broadcast across Vatican Media's platforms.**

Each day will see **Vatican News broadcast the recitation of the Rosary at 6.00 PM Rome time from the various Shines taking part in the initiative.** The Pope will also close the initiative on 31 May with another specially-broadcast Rosary.

### End to the pandemic

This year's dedication of May to pandemic-related prayer recalls a similar occurrence during the first wave in March 2020.

Pope Francis led the world in prayer during that confusing and difficult time, celebrating a live-streamed, daily Mass in the Casa Santa Marta.

After more than a year, and with the world still in the grips of the pandemic, the Pope and the Church around the world are once again leading the way in imploring God for an end to the suffering which so many people are forced to bear.

### JOIN ACCORD

As a marriage preparation course facilitator:

- Support couples preparing for marriage
- Gain valuable training
- Learn new skills

**ACCORD** are now recruiting Volunteer facilitators:

If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church

If you have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage - **ACCORD** wants to hear from you:

Contact Deirdre on 07980 898399 or email: [info@accordni.com](mailto:info@accordni.com)  
[www.accordni.com](http://www.accordni.com)

### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

When we cannot attend Mass, we can still make an Act of Spiritual Communion, in which we express our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist and ask him to unite Himself with us.

The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith, an Act of Love, a desire to receive Christ and an invitation to Him to come into your heart.

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

### MARRIAGES AND FUNERALS

- *The number permitted to attend weddings and funerals (80) is to be informed by a risk assessment for the venue.*
- *Pre- and post-funeral gatherings are not permitted.*

Environmental Health has advised all of our current mitigation measures should also continue to apply: **(face coverings be worn at all times by everyone within church buildings)**, hand-sanitizing and social distancing and all other precautions. None adherence to these measures could lead to a fine being imposed.

**Masses can also be viewed via the Parish Webcam**



### 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 Elizabeth Creaney, College Grove  
Eileen Lavery (née Breen), Oakleigh Fold  
Desmond Tipping, Woodville Gate  
Aideen Brady (née Doris), Aghagallon  
Basil Corey, formerly Wellington Street  
Kathleen Dolan, Ennis Tarry  
John McAlinden, Drumbug South Craigavon  
Paul Smyth, Bedford formerly Lurgan

May they rest in Peace!

### MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

**SATURDAY 15 MAY (VIGIL MASS)**  
Ruby Doran, Monbrief Walk

**SUNDAY 16 MAY 9.00AM MASS**  
Kathleen Antcliff, Cafolla Gardens  
Joseph Delaney, Thornleigh

**SUNDAY 16 MAY 10.30AM MASS**  
May (Mary) McCrory, Edward Street  
Mary Quinn, Magherafelt  
Phil, Nora and Paul Clarke, Manor Park  
Eileen Read, Manor Park  
Brian McNally, Headington Avenue

### MONDAY 17 MAY

Patrick Crewe, Glenholme Avenue  
Edward McGeown, Ulster Street  
Linda Philips, Victoria Street  
Sean McMorro, Ashwood  
Mary (May) Lavery, Manor Drive

### TUESDAY 18 MAY

Gerry McCluskey, Coventry  
Aidna and Jim Haughian, Richmond Gardens

### WEDNESDAY 19 MAY

Ena and Felix Donnelly, Drumlin Drive  
Billy McAlinden, Drumlin Drive  
Nellie Byrne, Taghnevan Close  
Annie Stevenson, Castle Lane  
Vincent McKenna, Albert Street

### THURSDAY 20 MAY

Lawrence Oliver McKavanagh, Gilpins Manor

### FRIDAY 21 MAY

Brigid McConville, Hawthorne Avenue  
Noel McDonald, Knockramer Meadows  
James McKerr, Grattan Street

### SATURDAY 22 MAY 10.30am

Peter Corey, Knockramer Meadows

*Eternal Rest Grant on to them O Lord!*

### Prayer for deceased relatives and friends

*Almighty Father, source of forgiveness and salvation, grant that our relatives and friends who have passed from this life may, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints, come to share your Eternal happiness through Christ Our Lord, Amen!*

### Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind

Requests for anniversaries and Month's Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office before 12 Noon each Wednesday.

The minimum diocesan stipend is £10.00.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**Sunday 9 May 2021 £1,349.87**

Our sincerest thanks to all our parishioners who have forwarded their offertory promise envelopes during this lockdown.

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