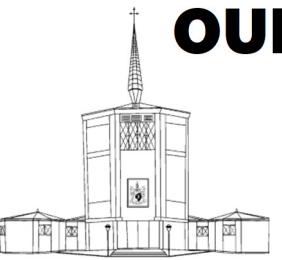


# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

## 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.

**SUNDAY 18 JANUARY 2026**  
SECOND SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

**OUR PARISH CLERGY**

Father Colum Murphy, PP  
Telephone: (028) 3832 3161  
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66-70 North Street, Lurgan BT67 9AH  
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Our Parish Deacon: Rev Kevin Devine (028) 3832 3161  
Rev Pearse Thornbury (028) 3832 3161



### 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  
Telephone: (028) 3832 1289  
Email:

[stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org](mailto: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.**

**RNID NEAR YOU - LURGAN SESSION**  
FREE support service to help people with their  
hearing aids returns to Lurgan.

The next session is taking place on Tuesday  
20th January, from 10am to 12noon.

It will be held at the Lurgan Library in the town,  
which is at 1 Carnegie St, Lurgan BT66 6AS

The service is provided by the RNID.  
We can provide new batteries, cleaning and  
retubing of ear moulds and openfits for NHS  
hearing aids," the charity explained.

"Hearing aids must be placed in a labelled  
envelope, with name and contact details," the  
charity added.

We can also offer basic hearing checks for  
those who don't already wear hearing aids".  
"Users can wait for the service to be done at  
Lurgan Library or drop off your hearing aids to  
RNID and return before 12noon to collect  
hearing aids."

Hearing aids can be dropped off by friends or  
family members.

If you would like more information, you can  
contact 07483941623 or send an email to  
[Carolyn.ritchie@rnid.org.uk](mailto:Carolyn.ritchie@rnid.org.uk)

### 24-HOUR NUMBER FOR ALL SICK CALLS AND EMERGENCIES

**TEL: (028) 3832 3161**

**TEL: (028) 38321289**

Parish web: [www.lurganparish.com](http://www.lurganparish.com)

Facebook: [@lurganparish](https://www.facebook.com/lurganparish)

Parish App: [Parish365](https://www.parish365.com)

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](mailto:safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org)

Saint Paul's Parish Safeguarding  
Representative and Parish Sacristan.

Telephone: 07563 293429

### ALPHA 2026 IN A CATHOLIC CONTEXT

We are about to embark on a journey that no one could refuse. The time has come for "Alpha in the Catholic context" to begin here in our local Parishes: Seagoe (Derrymacash/Derrytrasna), St. Anthony's Parish (Moyraverty) & St Peter's and St Paul's Parishes (Shankill).

Alpha is a space for people to hold meaningful conversations about life, faith and purpose. We are here to invite you to explore your faith, in a friendly, open and informal environment. Each Alpha session includes a video and discussion, with of course tea/coffee & biscuits. It is FREE of charge, and we would look forward to welcoming new faces to Alpha 2026.

The Alpha Course will meet each Monday for 10 weeks as follows:

Beginning: Monday, 26th January 2026 @ 7:00pm to 8:30pm Ending: Monday, 23rd March 2026 Location: St. Anthony's Parish Centre, Legahory, Craigavon, BT65 5BE St. Peter's Catholic Church, North St, Lurgan, BT67 9AH

Details to register your interest:  
Catriona Kavanagh 079 0030 6912 / Peter McCann 078 8195 4552

Email:

[Catriona.Kavanagh@thegigfoundation.org](mailto:Catriona.Kavanagh@thegigfoundation.org)

[Peter.McCann@thegigfoundation.org](mailto:Peter.McCann@thegigfoundation.org)

[Rachael.Wilson@thegigfoundation.org](mailto:Rachael.Wilson@thegigfoundation.org)



### 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**

[stpetersparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org](mailto:stpetersparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org)

### 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

### LURGAN LOURDES COMMITTEE

Dromore Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage  
15th to 20th May 2026 5 Nights

Full Board -£890pp.

We are now taking applications for  
Assisted Pilgrims Anyone who would like  
to be considered Please contact Rosemary  
(Secretary) 077 9631 0214  
or any Committee Member

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

John 'Saw Jesus Coming Toward Him.' -  
Jesus is always coming toward us, too. Why?

Because he loves us. He never imposes  
himself. He doesn't burst through the door  
and force us to even acknowledge him. But  
he does remain close, hoping we will catch a  
glimpse of his love and in that instant,  
recognise that he is everything our hearts  
long for. What will happen if we open the door  
of our life, of our heart to Christ?

He will call us to abandon the tight confines of  
our egotism, greed, lust, envy and  
selfishness.

He will open undreamed-of horizons and give  
a rich, new dimension to our poor, fleeting  
days on this earth.

### ADORATION CHAPEL EDWARD STREET

**Adoration 9am to 9pm**

### ANAM CARA

The organisation that supports bereaved  
parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support  
Evening on Wednesday 28th January 2026  
at 7.30pm in the Armagh City Hotel, Friary  
Road, Armagh.

This event is free and open to all bereaved  
parents regardless of the age your child  
died, the circumstances of their death, or  
how recent their death was. You do not need  
to register in advance.

We also offer an online support group  
meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or  
email [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 11 January 2026 £2,311.15

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

### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY JANUARY 18 TO 25 2026

The Community Outreach Group is sponsoring the annual prayer service in honour of the Week of Christian Unity on Wednesday 21 January in the Jethro Center at 7:30pm.

The Shankill Parish Church is hosting the service.

The theme this year is: There is one body and One Spirit, just as you called to the one Hope of your calling. (Ephesians 4:4)

The prayers for this year's service were prepared by the Department of the Armenian Apostolic Church.

Please come and pray with us for our Christian family around the world and at home.

### NOTICE FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

All Eucharistic Ministers are warmly invited to attend a meeting in St Paul's Church on Thursday 5 February at 7:00pm, where we will share some important updates and discuss how we can continue to support this vital ministry, including the special role of visiting the sick and housebound.

If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister at St. Paul's you are also very welcome to join us. If you are unable to attend, please kindly inform the Parish Office by email or phone (leaving your name and contact details) at your earliest convenience.

Thank you so much for your ongoing commitment and service

### 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.

### FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

**Tuesday 20th January - St 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.

**Wednesday 21st January - St Agnes**, wealthy and beautiful, was martyred for her virginity in the last persecutions in Rome in the early further century. Patron of betrothed couples, gardeners and young girls.

**Thursday 22 January St Vincent, Deacon and Martyr**- Deacon of the Church of Saragossa, Spain, martyred in 302 in Valencia after prolonged torture.

**Friday 23 January - St Francis de Sales, Bishop and doctor of the Church** - Bishop of Geneva, founder of the Visitation Sisters. He worked with gentleness and love to rebuild the Catholic faith after the Reformation. Patron saint of writers, editors and journalists.

**Saturday 24 January - St Paul** preached the power of God at work in the lives of each one of us. His own conversion shows that power in his own life. Out of a persecutor God made a preacher and teacher of the peoples.

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Father Anthony Moffett who was ordained to the Priesthood for the Diocese of Dromore on Sunday 11th January 2026.

We wish Father Anthony every blessing and continue to pray for him as he begins his priestly ministry



### MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES 2026

**8TH – 15TH July 2026**

Price increases to £695 after 30 Jan '26  
Return flights from Dublin

7 Night Pilgrimage with Mary Austin and  
Mona Mitchell

For more information on joining the group please contact:  
Mary: 077 1873 1096  
Mona: 078 8071 4113



### BAPTISMS

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

**Bróna Margaret Loney  
Cora Eve Derby**

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.

### 2026 TOURS

St Patrick's Day in London  
Sun 15 March - Wed 18 March return flights including baggage, return coach

Lurgan to Airport. 3 nights B&B in 3\* St Giles Hotel (Oxford St/Theatreland)

£379 price based on 2 sharing deposit of £30pp required to secure your seat. Call: Noel 079 5547 5650 or Gerard 3832 4741

Easter in Mayo  
Depart Mon 06 April 1nt Carrick on Shannon 3nts Westport Woods including local Tours & entertainment £489 ss £45

Summer in Nottingham  
Depart Sun 16 Aug 5 nights Warner Leisure full entertainment and tours £679 single supplement £50



### REMEMBER THEM O LORD