

SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

OUR PARISH BULLETIN

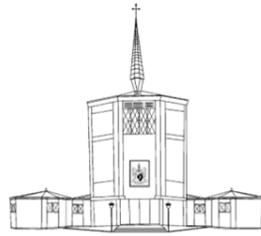
We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. Your prayers, your presence and your talents are most welcome! May God bless all of us.

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SUNDAY 20 MARCH 2022
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm

Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind

Polite reminder: Notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before **12 noon each Wednesday if they are to be included in the Bulletin.** The minimum diocesan stipend is £10.00



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: 7:00pm
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

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:
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Mrs Patricia Carville. Tel. 077 8991 7741

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



BAPTISMS

With great joy and thanksgiving we welcome the following children into our parish community who were baptised during the past week:

Cayden Matthew McBride
Isaac Mark Curran

All parents wishing to have a child baptised in St Paul's Parish, must contact the Parish Office

by telephone (028) 3832 1289.

One month's notice is required.



ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street
Adoration 9am to 7pm

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations to the **Food Bank.** Unfortunately, the Food Bank is unable to accept perishable goods.

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!

'Until Love Conquers Fear' Trocaire boxes now available at the back of the Church



SOUTHERN AREA HOSPICE BIG BUCKET COLLECTION NEED EVERY HELPING HAND!

Southern Area Hospice Services are calling on the local community to get behind their 'Big Bucket Collection' which takes place in towns and villages throughout the Southern Trust Area on Friday 25th March 2022.

If you would like to take part, we would love to hear from you! To give a helping hand, please contact Rosie on 028 3026 7711, email

vs@southernareahospiceservices.org or you can sign up online www.southernareahospiceservices.org/big-bucket-volunteers.

GENTLE REMINDER

If you have taken a bulletin during Mass, please take it home with you. Thank You

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



Sunflowers - the National Flower of Ukraine

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Pray for Us!
Our Lady of Kyiv Pray for Us!

UKRAINE

At their Spring General Meeting, which concluded in Maynooth on Wednesday 9th March, Bishops praised the charitable efforts of people across the country and asked that a special collection be taken up in parishes next Sunday 27th March.

Bishops said, "Already millions of people have been forced to flee their homes as refugees. It is a source of inspiration that people all over Ireland are responding with customary generosity to support humanitarian efforts in this crisis. Many parish communities have already established links with charitable projects to support refugees and those remaining in Ukraine. Recognising these urgent needs, the bishops are asking that a special collection be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of Sunday 27 March.

"People are also invited to support the charitable initiatives of Aid to the Church in Need, the Jesuit Refugee Service, and Trócaire. Trócaire is currently responding to the crisis through its partners Caritas Ukraine and Caritas Poland which have a strong presence in the region and can use resources strategically to the greatest effect."

LOOKING INTO THE MIRROR

There's a story told about an old farmer and his wife who had been married for a very long time. It was an unhappy marriage. Throughout the course of their day they barely spoke to one another except to grunt or to pass a comment that was usually cutting or negative. One morning the farmer was going to town to buy some cattle when he happened to meet a pedlar. The pedlar was selling just about everything, and he tried to talk the farmer into buying a mirror. The farmer had never seen a mirror before and whenever the pedlar showed him what he looked like in the mirror he was astounded. He couldn't believe how old and tired and dirty looking he was, and so he decided there and then that he would do something to improve his appearance. After buying the mirror he took it home and hid it in the attic.

Every afternoon the farmer would climb into the attic and looked at himself in his mirror, and as the time went past he made sure that his hair was washed and cut regularly and that he combed it several times throughout every day. He began to shave first thing every morning and take greater care of his skin and his teeth. After a while the farmer liked what he saw in the mirror.

However, while all this was going on his wife was beginning to get very suspicious, and one day when he was milking the cows she climbed into the attic and found his mirror. Unfortunately she had never seen a mirror before either, and whenever she looked at it she immediately thought it was a photograph of his fancy woman. 'Well' she said, 'Such a sour old blade I've never seen the like of before, and to think that he's coming up here to look at her face every day!'

The farmer's wife set off to tell the local priest her sad story. However, whenever she arrived at the parochial house she discovered that the priest had gone out on a sick call. The farmer's wife left the mirror with the priest's housekeeper and said that she would return to talk to the priest later. Whenever the priest returned home his housekeeper informed him that the local farmer's wife had called and that she had left a message for him on the hall table. The priest also had never seen a mirror before and whenever he looked at it he thought he was seeing a photograph of the neighbouring priest. 'My goodness', he said to himself, 'Such a wizened up old face. Surely the bishop should have retired that old man years ago.'

The story goes on and on, but the message behind it is very simple, sometimes when we all look closely at ourselves we don't like what we see - and in this case I'm not talking about something that the Oil of Olay can cure. There are many people in our parishes all around who have low self-esteem; who are not good at accepting compliments and who feel that they have nothing to give. In some cases this can be due to the way that they have been brought up as children, or perhaps it's because they have listened for years to family members or work colleagues continually putting them down.

This self-esteem creed was written for young people. However, it doesn't matter what age we are, if we could try and put it into practice in our own lives every day it would do wonders for our self-confidence.

*'God made me - I was no accident.
I was in God's plan and he doesn't make junk, ever.
I was born to be a successful human being,
I am someone special, unique, definitely one of a kind. And I love me.
That is essential so that I might love you too.
I have talents, potentials, yes, there is greatness in me,
And, if I harness that specialness,
then I will write my name with my deeds....
I was born in God's image and likeness.
And I will strive to do God's will.'*



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

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 19 MARCH 7.00PM VIGIL MASS

May and Sam Coleman, Edward Street
Hugh McKenna, Edward Street
Kieran Devlin, Ashwood

Sarah and Edmund Devlin, Mansefield
Patricia Robinson, Maghery
Eric Treanor, Thornleigh
Kathleen Wright, Thornleigh

Ann Christina Stevenson (née O'Hagan), Turmoyra
Christopher McCarron, Aughacommon

SUNDAY 20 MARCH 9.00AM MASS

Audrey Moore (MM), Annaloiste Road
Agnes and John Haughian, Cypress Gardens

SUNDAY 20 MARCH 10.30AM MASS

Stephen Mallon, Collingwood Drive
Amelia Goodfellow, Drumlin Drive
Matt and Mary McKerr, Cypress Gardens
Eva Atkinson, Taghnevan Close

MONDAY 21 MARCH

Anna Bailie, Francis Street
Charles Scullion, Parkview Street
Annie Gorman, Monbrief Walk
Jeevan Thomas, Magheralin
Bob McIntyre, Silverwood Drive

TUESDAY 22 MARCH

Patrick Strawbridge, Ulster Street
May McKenna, New Street
James Basil McAlinden, Ashwood
Evelyn Ann Doris, Hill Court/Derrytagh South
Christy Reid, Drumbeg North

WEDNESDAY 23 MARCH

Peter Toal (MM), Old Portadown Road
Kevin Creaney (MM) Taghnevan
Geraldine and Edwina McConaghy, Bartins Bay

THURSDAY 24 MARCH

Jim (Dempsey) Brady, Edward Street
Elizabeth (Cissie) McDonald, Clara Street
Roseane Murphy, Cranny Terrace, Bleary

FRIDAY 25 MARCH

Michelle Fitzpatrick, Hawthorne Avenue
Kathleen Thornbury, Elmwood Terrace
Issac Towe, North Street
Eugene Marsden, Francis Street/Plymouth
John O'Hagan, Turmoyra
James and Edith Craig, Silverwood Drive

SATURDAY 26 MARCH 10.30am

Marian McGeown (MM), Hawthorne Avenue
Father Sean Lavery, Edward Street

SATURDAY 26 MARCH 7.00pm (Vigil Mass)

Teresa Reilly, Monbrief Walk

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO 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!

NIGHT PRAYER

*Now I lay me down to sleep I pray the Lord my soul to keep
Angels watch me through the Night and wake me with the
Morning Light.
Amen!*