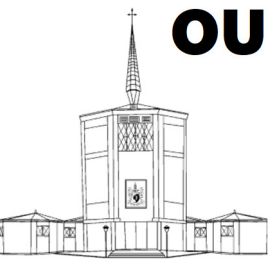


SAINT PAUL’S PARISH, SHANKILL

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 21 SEPTEMBER 2025
25th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

OUR PARISH CLERGY

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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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Office Hours
Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm
Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind

PLEASE HAVE ANNIVERSARIES IN THE PARISH OFFICE BY 12 NOON EACH WEDNESDAY of the week BEFORE if you want them 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

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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

FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK
Tuesday 23 September – St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) - died 23 September 1968. Capuchin friar, stigmatist, confessor friend of all who suffer. and St Eunan (Adomnán) was born in Donegal around 624 and died in 704. He became a monk in Iona and was chosen abbot there in 679. One of the writings is the life of Colum Cilie.

Thursday 25 September - St Finbarr, Bishop came to Loch Irce (Gougane Barra) and lived there as a hermit. When disciples gathered round him, he moved to Cork at the mouth of the Lee where he founded a monastery which became a famous centre of learning.

Friday 26 September - St Cosmas and Damian, early martyrs in Syria, patrons of physicians. They were known as the Anargyroi (the holy moneyless ones) in the East, since they never took money for their medical services.

Saturday 27 September – St Vincent DePaul 1581-1660 founded the Congregation of the Mission (the Vincentians) and the Daughters of Charity, the first sisters to work outside their convents in active services. He is patron of all charitable works.

ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA (PADRE PIO)
FEAST DAY 23 SEPTEMBER
HEALING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, I thank you for loving me. I thank you for sending your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, to the world to save and to set me free. I trust in your power and grace that sustain and restore me.

Loving Father, touch me now with your healing hands, for I believe that your will is for me to be well in mind, body, soul and spirit. Cover me with the most precious blood of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ from the top of my head to the soles of my feet.

Cast out anything that should not be in me. Root out any unhealthy and abnormal cells. Open any blocked arteries or veins and rebuild and replenish any damaged areas. Remove all inflammation and cleanse any infection by the power of Jesus' precious blood.

Let the fire of your healing love pass through my entire body to heal and make new any diseased areas so that my body will function the way you created it to function. Touch also my mind and my emotion, even the deepest recesses of my heart. Saturate my entire being with your presence, love, joy and peace and draw me ever closer to you every moment of my life. And Father, fill me with your Holy Spirit and empower me to do your works so that my life will bring glory and honour to your holy name. I ask this in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.Amen

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

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

We are delighted to announce that Pearse Thornbury will be ordained a deacon for the Diocese of Dromore on **Sunday, 28th September At 3:00 pm** in Newry Cathedral. The ordination ceremony can be viewed on Newry Cathedral's webcam. To mark this joyful occasion a celebration Mass will be held in **St Peter's on Sunday 5th October at 12 noon.**

Following the Mass, all are warmly invited to join Pearse for refreshments in the Parish Hall.

Please keep Pearse in your prayers as he prepares to receive the sacrament of Holy Orders.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP INVITATION TO ALL
Encounter with Our Lord
Monday 22nd September 7.00pm, ADORATION CHAPEL, EDWARD STREET

All welcome for Praise, Holy Rosary, Exhortation, Meditative Encounter and Litany of the Holy Spirit

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

ANAM CARA

The organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Face to Face Parent Support Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 24th September at 7.30pm in the Armagh City Hotel 2 Friary Road, Armagh BT60 4FR**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age of their child, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. There is no need for registration, this is 'come-as-you-are' event.

We also offer online support group meetings. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

Join us at the Cellar Bar Friday 3rd October at 7.30pm to help raise funds for **EVORA HOSPICE, FORMERLY SOUTHERN AREA HOSPICE** at "Music of the Night" Admission £5.

MISSION APPEAL
On the weekend of 27th and 28th September the annual Mission Appeal will take place in our parish, made by the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Assumption.

The Little Sisters of the Assumption have worked in Ireland for over 120 years including a mission for many years in Belfast, particularly nursing sick people at home, in poor areas.

They would greatly appreciate any support you can give to their missionary work among some of the poorest people of today's world, particularly in Latin America and Africa.

30th ANNIVERSARY OF ADORATION
In this Jubilee Year The Monthly Children's Eucharistic Adoration returns on the last Sunday of each month in our Adoration Chapel, Edward Street, Lurgan

Sunday 28th September 2025 from 11.30am to 12 Noon.

Children of all ages are welcome with their parents or guardian.

St Carlo Acutis Pray for Us

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>

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 31 August 2025	£1,808.60
Sunday 7 September '25	£1,925.54
Sunday 14 September '25	£2,092.30

Payment Machine in Church AUGUST 2025 £378.77

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

RIGHTING A WRONG
AN APPEAL TO WOMEN AND THEIR LOVED ONES

The Northern Ireland Assembly's Committee for the Executive Office is beginning its work on scrutinising the Inquiry (Mother and Baby Institutions, Magdalene Laundries and Workhouses) and Redress Scheme Bill. The Bill will see the establishment of a formal Inquiry into Mother and Baby Institutions, Magdalene Laundries and Workhouses in Northern Ireland between 1922 and 1995. It will also set up a Redress Scheme for the victims and survivors of these institutions.

Hearing from those who will be directly affected by the Bill and the schemes it creates is key to the Committee's work. The Committee wants to hear from as many people as possible and is holding a series of events to help those who want to get involved understand the process. The Chairperson of the Committee for the Executive Office, Paula Bradshaw MLA, said: "We deeply value the lived experiences and personal testimonies of those affected by Mother and Baby Institutions, Magdalene Laundries and Workhouses and as a committee we're committed to listening to the people affected in as respectful and open a way as possible...

The consultation is available online here: <https://lk.cmte.fyi/InquiryRedressBill> but we can also email or post hard copies to anyone who is interested. Email us at: cteotrconsultation@niassembly.gov.uk

You can also contact the Committee for the Executive Office by writing to us at: Room 247, Parliament Buildings, Belfast, Northern Ireland BT4 3XX

FREE support service to help people with hearing aids returns to Lurgan. The next session is taking place on **TUESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 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

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The spiritual journey is essentially a journey of letting go. There are days and rituals in liturgy for saying goodbye to someone and literally waiting for 'God knows what!' I find that I often lack the courage and wisdom to know what to say goodbye to.

My instincts are to hold on to everything for no reason other than that they are familiar and comforting. To let go of a lot of things that we thought we couldn't live without, is most often, a liberation.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FAMILY CARE SERVICES 21 SEPTEMBER

This collection provides funds for services such as ACCORD, CURA and the Armagh Regional Marriage Tribunal.

These services are available for any parishioner at particular times of need, regardless of ability to pay. Thus they need our support to provide funding so that each service is delivered in a professional and effective manner.

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
Anna McDowell, New Street
Beata Rachuta, Darling Avenue
Declan O'Neill, Waringstown

SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 10.30AM
William John Mulholland, Derrymore
Andrew Loughran, Shankill Street
Bridie Haddock, Shankill Street
Dermott Greene, Ashwood
Catherine O'Hagan, Silverwood Drive

SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 7.00PM VIGIL
Alice McGready, Boconnell Lane

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 9.00AM
No Anniversaries

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 10.30AM
Ann O'Neill, Ashwood
Bernadette Snyder (née McAtasney) Florida/Silverwood
Michael McConville, Wales/late Shankill Street

MONDAY 22 MONDAY SEPTEMBER 10.00AM
Valentino (Joey) Cafolla, Parkview Street
Maurice McStay, Francis Street
Thomas Armstrong
Kevin Cassidy

TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM
Sebastian, India

WEDNESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM
Elizabeth Toal, Old Portadown Road
Barry McAreavey, Beech Court
Leonard Fox, Taghnevan

THURSDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM
Sister Magdalena Mahony, Convent of Mercy, Lurgan
Nan Hughes, Francis Street
Mary Ann Crossey, Cypress Gardens

FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM
Leeann Conway (MM), Northwood
Imelda Magee, Oakfield Terrace
William McSherry, Edward Street
Lily McAlinden, Mary Street
Kay Murray, Milltown

SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 10.30AM
Eileen Doran, Woodville Avenue
Sean McCann, Derrycor Lane
Mary Muirhead, Oakridge
Thomas McConville, Arthur Street
Agnes and Bernard McNamee, Derryadd
John McNamee, Portlaoise
Gwen McKenna, formerly Manor Park

SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 7.00PM VIGIL
Francie Haughian, Carrickvale Avenue

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!

UPCOMING EVENTS
MORNING OF HOPE
Ending Violence against Women
Jethro Centre
Saturday 27 September 9.30am – 12.30pm

MIDNIGHT MEMORY WALK
EVORA HOSPICE CARE
Saturday 27 September 2025
St Colman's College Newry

CANTABILE CHOIR AND THE SOUTH ULSTER COMMUNITY BAND PRESENT
A NIGHT OF MUSIC
St Peter's Church, Lurgan
on Sunday 19 October 2025 at 7.00pm