

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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Download App Store or Google Play

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SUNDAY 23 JANUARY 2022
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

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.**

THANK YOU On behalf of everyone at St Vincent DePaul, I would like to thank you most sincerely for your help during our Christmas Appeal. Without the generosity of all our Parishioners we would not have been able to help as many people as we did.

The generosity of the people of Lurgan continues to amaze us every year and for that, we are truly grateful. Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy 2022.
Mary Rose Elliott, President, Lurgan Conference of St Vincent DePaul.

Parish Calendars - 2022

are available at the back of Saint Paul's Church.

"A Knight in the Kitchen" Cookery Book

on sale at the back of the church or you can order a copy by calling 0750 1783 628 or 07900 608 657.



HAIL GLORIOUS SAINT PATRICK

A 9 week novena in honour of St. Patrick will take place on Wednesday evenings in the coming weeks to pray for the renewal of the faith in Ireland. The novena commenced on 19 January at 7 pm in St Patrick's Cathedral Armagh with Adoration, Rosary, Novena prayer to St Patrick and Mass which will be celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin.

Following Armagh the novena will take place on the following Wednesdays in different Churches across Ireland following in the footsteps of St. Patrick. Shalom World Prayer will broadcast the novena each evening at 7 pm until 16th March at www.swprayer.org

"From the time in my youth, that I came to know Him, the love and reverence of God grew in me and so far, thanks be to the grace of God, I have kept the faith"
Saint Patrick



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

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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

BAPTISMS



Parents wishing to have a child baptized here in St Paul's Parish, must contact the Parish Office by telephone (028) 3832 1289.

One month's notice is required. Baptisms take place on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.



ADORATION CHAPEL
Edward Street
Private Prayer only
9.00am – 7.00pm

"The Eucharist is the Sacrament of Love; It signifies Love, it produces Love." - St. Thomas Aquinas

Holocaust Memorial Day Thursday 27th January

This year's event is virtual due to Covid, so in Northern Ireland commemoration will take place at on Wednesday 26th January at 7.00 to 8.30pm. See link for more information.

<https://www.hmd.org.uk/activity/northern-ireland-regional-commemoration-to-mark-hmd-2022/>

Loving God, we come to you with heavy hearts, remembering the six million Jewish souls murdered during the Holocaust.

In the horrors of that history, when so many groups were targeted because of their identity, and in genocides which followed, we recognise destructive prejudices that drive people apart.

Forgive us when we give space to fear, negativity, and hatred of others, simply because they are different from us.

In the light of God, we see everyone as equally precious manifestations of the Divine and can know the courage to face the darkness.

Through our prayers and actions, help us to stand together with those who are suffering, so that light may banish all darkness, love will prevail over hate and good will triumph over evil. Amen.

UNIVERSAL SYNOD INFORMATION

Week 4 - The Synod Prayer

Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

'I DREAMED I HAD AN INTERVIEW WITH GOD

"So, you would like to interview me?" God asked.
"If you have the time?" I spoke.

"My time is eternity. What questions do you have in mind for me?"
"What surprises you most about humankind?"

God answered, "That they get bored with childhood, they rush to grow up and then long to be children again.

That they lose their health to make money and then lose their money to restore health.

That by thinking anxiously about the future they forget the present, such that they live in neither the present nor the future.

That they live as if they will never die, and die as though they had never lived."

God's hand took mine and we were silent for a while.

Then I asked, "As a parent, what are some of life's lessons you want your children to learn?"

"To learn that they cannot make anyone love them. All they can do is let themselves be loved.

To learn that it is not good to compare yourself to others.

To learn to forgive by practicing forgiveness.

To learn that it only takes seconds to open profound wounds in those we love, and it can take many years to heal them.

To learn that a rich person is not one who has the most, but is one who needs the least.

To learn that there are people who love them dearly, but simply do not yet know how to express or show their feelings.

To learn that two people can look at the same thing and see it differently.

To learn that it is not enough that they forgive one another but that they must also forgive themselves."

"Thank you for your time," I said humbly.

"Is there anything else you'd like to your children to know?"

God smiled and said, "Just know that I am here for you ALWAYS!"

ORDINATION TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

Mr Brendan McAllister, parish of Newry and Mr Gerry McBrien, parish of Banbridge will be ordained deacons for the Diocese of Dromore on Sunday 30th January 2022 at 2.00pm in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh.

We keep Brendan, Gerry and their families in our prayers and we pray that the Lord may bless and guide them in their future ministries.

Due to current restrictions the numbers in St Patrick's Cathedral will be restricted, the Ordination Ceremony can be viewed on:

<https://armaghparish.net/cathedral-webcam/>

A PRAYER TO FIND A LOVE RELATIONSHIP

Abba Father, before a word is on my lips you know each thought, each tear, each joy you see, for I'm your cherished child. I find it hard to comprehend the extent of your love. And I know I rarely see myself the way that you see me.

Lord you know my heart, you know I long for love. My search is for that special friend. For intimacy, for friendship, for someone to depend on. I know you watch me proudly as I live each day, each moment. Please cause my path to cross with someone you'd like me to be with. Guide my heart to take your hand to hope and trust in you. Help me to be patient until I meet somebody who you know will be a perfect match for me. I know you want the best me your child.



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

Kazimier Janusz Brzezinski

Windsor Avenue, Lurgan

Margaret O'Hagan, Downshire Avenue

Martin Dummigan, Wolfisland Terrace

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 22 JANUARY 7.00PM VIGIL MASS

No Anniversaries

SUNDAY 23 JANUARY 9.00AM MASS

Eamon Hamill, Francis Street

SUNDAY 23 JANUARY 10.30AM MASS

Catherine McEntee, Windsor Avenue

MONDAY 24 JANUARY

Bernadette France, Oakleigh Heights

Kathleen Canavan, Lough Road

Arthur McSherry, Edward Street

Margaret Ann Carville, Oakfield Terrace

Mary McAliskey, Turmoyra

TUESDAY 25 JANUARY

Samuel McCrory, Edward Street

Shane O'Hagan, Francis Street

Mary Finnegan, Antrim Road

WEDNESDAY 26 JANUARY

Sharon McConville, Drumlin Drive

Laurence McCrory, Leighton Buzzard/formerly Shankill

Michael (Mick) O'Hara, Francis Street

Donald McCrory, Silverwood

Sadie McLaughlin, Hawthorne Avenue

THURSDAY 27 JANUARY

Jim Brady, Parkview

Patrick Mallon, Cypress Gardens

John Joseph Creaney, Silverwood Drive

Akie and Henry McCourt, North Street

Danny McIntyre, Silverwood Drive

Brian McMahon, Richmount Gardens

Jimmy Williamson, Portadown

Thomas McCaughley, Cherrytree Walk

Gabriel Headley, Springwell Gardens

FRIDAY 28 JANUARY

John Gaskin, Church Walk

Gerard Turley, Thornleigh

SATURDAY 29 JANUARY 10.30am

James McCann, Oakleigh Heights

SATURDAY 29 JANUARY 7.00PM VIGIL MASS

Margaret Sweeney (née Gilmore), Prospect Way

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O, LORD

This coming February cannot come in our life time again, because this year February has 4 Sundays, 4 Mondays, 4 Tuesdays, 4 Wednesdays, 4 Thursdays, 4 Fridays and 4 Saturdays. This happens once every 823 years

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 16 January 2022 £1,047.86

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