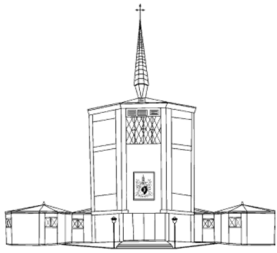


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL



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 23 JULY 2023
16th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

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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
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ST ANNE'S SHRINE MAYOBRIDGE WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

SUNDAY 23RD JULY 2023
Rosary and Benediction will be celebrated at 3pm at St Anne's Shrine, Mayobridge. All welcome.
Feast of St Anne Wednesday 26th July 2023
The Shrine, Convent Gardens and car parks will be open all day. The celebrations will conclude with Mass at 7.30pm in the Convent Gardens. All are welcome to visit the Shrine and join us for mass outdoors, weather permitting.

PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society! Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families, strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience. Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

CROAGH PATRICK (REEK) SUNDAY 2023 – SUNDAY JULY 30th
Reek Sunday, which takes place on the last Sunday in July, is an auspicious occasion celebrated in Ireland. This year, it falls on July 30. On this day, the annual pilgrimage takes place, and thousands of people come to Ireland to climb the country's "holiest mountain." Known as "Croagh Patrick," the mountain is a unique pilgrimage site with a holy history. Pilgrims climb the mountain not only to connect with God but to seek repentance for their sins. So get ready to embark on the expedition if you have something to get off your chest this year. You will surely return as a different person!

YOUTH TRIP – CLIMB CROAGH PATRICK

and volunteer at Knock Shrine 2nd - 6th August 2023. We welcome 17 - 25 years old. Cost £175 - includes hotel accommodation, transport, food plus free t-shirt. To book your place please email youthdirector@dromorediocese.org or telephone 028 3083 3898.



LIGHT THE FIRE - Hill of Slane, C15 DV76 August 6 '23

- 1.00pm - Gathering 1.30pm - Rosary
- Dana and Music Ministry will sing Light the Fire
- 2.00pm - Mass
- Talks and Eucharist Healing Service
- 4.30pm - Depart for home

At the 'Light the Fire of faith service', Pilgrims from across Ireland are invited to come along and join Archbishop Eamon Martin, Dana, and Sr Briega McKenna, at the Hill of Slane, County Meath, on August 6th for rosary, Mass, and a service of healing. Dana will sing her new song, *Light the Fire*, an anthem inspired by St Patrick, who famously lit the Easter fire at Slane in 433 AD in defiance of King Laoire. The Paschal candle will also be lit as part of the ceremony on the Feast of the Transfiguration as pilgrims pray for a renewal of faith in Ireland. Archbishop Eamon Martin recalled St Patrick's own experience as he prepares for the event.

"He knew he was a sinner, but he grew to know and love God through prayer and sacrifice. The light of faith will be kept alive and spread and renewed in Ireland in families that pray and from young person to young person - as Dana's new song puts it: lighting the flame of faith in their own hearts and in the hearts of others," he said. The archbishop added a prayer that the young people of Ireland would become 'ambassadors for Christ all around the island of Ireland.'

Poor Clare nun Sr Briega McKenna, who is famous for her healing ministry, will be accompanied by Fr Pablo Escrava de Romani. They will speak and conduct the Eucharistic Healing service. Contact organisers via email on hillofslaneaugust6@gmail.com

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Alzheimer's and dementia leaves people waiting patiently upon events around them, as they are recipients of what happens to them. I met some people in the Nazareth care home in Hammersmith, London who had families, carers and great achievements. Due to severe dementia, disability and bouts of depression, they are confined, restricted and deprived of the power of mobility. These patients embody a contemplative like silence on their beds, their bodies limp and the palms of their hands are opened in wordless prayer. Their posture is one of total dependence. In a way, their beds become altars of offering, where the words *'this is my body'* evoke a reality of awe.
John Cullen (Messenger 2023)



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

Kevin Creaney, formerly Shore Road
Kevin Connolly, Lurgan Tarry
Maureen O'Hanlon, Magheralin
David Snyder, Ohio, USA
Joseph (Joe) McShane, Brownlow Terrace

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 22 JULY 7.00PM VIGIL MASS

Phyllis Martin, Prospect Way
Laurence Dummigan, Sloan Street
Theresa and Patrick Lennon, Cafolla Gardens
Sean and James Patrick Magee, Arthur Street

SUNDAY 23 JULY 9.00AM

Gary McConaghy, Downshire Avenue

SUNDAY 23 JULY 10.30AM MASS

Sarah McCavighan, Derryclone
Joe Shanks, New Street

MONDAY 24 JULY 10.00AM

Sheree McAreavey (MM), Clonmeen

Marie McCafferty, Lavery Avenue
Freddie Gentle, William Street
Barry Shanks, Brookvale Walk
Angela McConville, Thornleigh

TUESDAY 25 JULY 10.00AM

Sister Maoil Iosa Sands, Convent of Mercy, Lurgan
Jean Thornbury, Francis Street

WEDNESDAY 26 JULY 10.00AM

Eilish Greene, Ballinarty
Catherine Doran, Clara Street
Margaret McDonald, Hill Street
Thomas McArdle, Ennis Close

THURSDAY 27 JULY 10.00AM

Hugh (Silver) O'Hanlon, Cypress Gardens
Isabella Jordan, Cypress Gardens
Etta and Vincent McGibbon, Monbrief Walk
Elizabeth Toland, Thornleigh

Brenda McCorry, Richmount Gardens
Elizabeth McCorry, Silverwood
James Towe, Edward Street

FRIDAY 28 JULY 10.00AM

Brian McKinstry, Hawthorne Avenue
Edward Green, Ashdene Park
Agnes Conway, Hawthorne Avenue

SATURDAY 29 JULY 10.30AM

Terence McCaughley (MM), Mansefield
Pauline Breen, Glenholme Park

SATURDAY 29 JULY 7.00PM VIGIL MASS

Paddy Devlin, Ardmore Road
Pauline Little, St Winifred's Terrace
Peter Mitchell, Turmoyra Court
Peggy Martin, formerly Oakridge
Henry Finnegan, Antrim Road

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!

Wishing all our Parishioners safe and happy holidays and welcome to friends and family home for the holidays.

CEMETERY SUNDAY, Rosary and Prayers for the Faithful Departed on

Sunday 13th August 2023
Dougher Cemetery 3.00pm & St Colman's 5.00pm

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

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Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm

Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind

Notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon each Wednesday of the week before if they are to be 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 Saturday 8.00am
Tuesday 7.00pm
Friday Eucharistic Service 7.00pm
Saturday 9.30am

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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

Monday 24 July - St Sharbel Makhlof, Priest, he became a monk and had a great devotion to the Blessed Sacrament **and St Declan, Bishop** - Declan is considered to be one of the pre-patrician saints. He was of noble blood. Colman, a local priest, baptised him. Later he went to Europe to continue his studies where he was ordained priest and possible bishop. He settled in Ardmore and evangelized the Decies country.

Tuesday 25 July – St James, Apostle
St James, son of Zebedee and brother of John. He was the first of the Apostles to die for Christ.

Wednesday 26 July – Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Traditionally named parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and grandparents of the Lord. St Anne is patron of Canada, women in labour, miners, cabinet-makers and home makers.

Saturday 29 July – Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus, welcomed Jesus as a family friend. Martha generously offered him hospitality. Mary listened attentively to his words and Lazarus promptly emerged from the tomb at the command of the One who humiliated death.

BAPTISMS



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

CHOOSING GODPARENTS

Congratulations to all the parents of newborn children in our parish. With your baby's best interests at heart, the Church asks you when considering sponsors for your child's baptism to choose a godfather and godmother (one male, one female) who are at least 16 years old and who lead a life of faith. One of the sponsors (called a 'witness') may be a baptised Christian from another church. We look forward to welcoming you.

ADORATION CHAPEL EDWARD STREET



Adoration
9.00am to 9.00pm
each day

FOOD BANK The door to the parish office area will be open daily from **9am until 12 Noon** Monday to Friday for non-perishable food and essential non-food items such as toiletries and hygiene products to be dropped off.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 16th July 2023 £1,765.54
Thank You for your continued generosity to your Parish and your Priests.

PRAYER FOR A SAFE JOURNEY

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen