SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL



SUNDAY 23 MAY 2021 Pentecost Sunday



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 – Patricia McCann Telephone: (028) 3832 1289 Email: office@stpaulsparishlurgan.org

Office Hours Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm

Please telephone or email the Parish Office to let us know of anniversaries or alternatively post them through the office letterbox before 12.30pm each Wednesday.



Congratulations to the boys and girls of Bunscoil Naomh Proinsias who made their Confirmation during the past week

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.

OUR PARISH CLERGY

Canon Liam Stevenson, PP VF Fr Colum Wright, CC Telephone: (028) 38323161 St Paul's Presbytery Fr Jozef Wozniak, S.Chr 54 Francis Street, Telephone: (028) 3834 9338 Lurgan BT66 6DL 66-70 North Street Telephone: (028) 3832 7173 Lurgan BT67 9AH colum.wrigh

Our Parish Deacon: Rev Kevin Devine (028) 3832 3161 Email: deaconkevin628@gmail.com



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 – Mrs Marie Brady (028) 3832 3161

office@stpetersparishlurgan.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

Taghnevan preschool playgroup Places available for September 2021 9.30 -12.30 Monday to Friday Cost £35.00 per week Contact 028 38324989 taghnevanpreschool@gmail.com

RECRUITMENT ADVERTISEMENT

Sisters of Mercy, 61 Edward Street, Lurgan wish to recruit the following position:

PART-TIME CARER to work 4.00pm - 10.00pm (18 hours for three weeks and 12 hours for one week).

The position is based on a one year fixed term contract and a six month probationary period, with the possibility of renewal.

Application form, Personnel Specification and Job Description are available on request from the above address.

Completed application forms should be returned to the above address by 12 Noon on Wednesday 2nd June 2021.

Interviews will take place on Tuesday 15th June.

"The Sisters of Mercy Northern Province is an equal opportunities employer".

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:

Dromore Diocesan **Designated Liaison Person** Mrs Patricia Carville. Tel. 077 8991 7741

Saint Paul's Parish Safeguarding **Representative and Parish Sacristan** Ms Fionnuala Hamill. Tel. 07563 293429

ADORATION CHAPEL Edward Street Adoration Chapel

Private Prayer only 9.00am - 7.00pm



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.

Given that the government restrictions are easing. grandparents and siblings will be able to attend Baptisms from June under strict Covid rules and social distancing regulations.

Face masks must be worn and hand sanitisers are provided. It is necessary to use them at all times.

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

FOOD BANK

A huge thank you to everyone for your generous donations to the food bank. Your generosity is hugely appreciated and

is making a positive difference in a lot of people's lives.

The door to the parish office area will be open daily from 9am until 12 Noon Monday to Friday for all donations to be dropped off.



LOURDES 2021

Thank you sincerely to everyone who helped in any way this week

here at St Paul's during our Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage. The Rosary is live streamed from the grotto at Lourdes at 2pm and Mass at 5pm in English every day.

Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Bernadette, pray for the world in this time of global pandemic.

Search 'TV Lourdes online'

CEMETERY SUNDAY

Since there will not be a Cemetery Sunday again this year, all Masses this weekend 22nd/23rd May (in both St Peter's and St Paul's) will be offered for the repose of the souls of everyone buried in the Dougher and St Colman's Cemeteries.

Canon Stevenson, Father Jozef and Father Wright blessed the graves on Wednesday 19th in both cemeteries.

People may wish to visit the cemeteries in their own time to sprinkle the graves of their loved ones with holy water at a time of their choosing.

Pope urges Catholics to pray in May for end to Covid-19 pandemic

Pope Francis invites Catholics and Marian Shrines around the world to dedicate the month of May to a marathon of prayer for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the Marian month of May to praying for an end to the pandemic.

The initiative, behind which the Pope has thrown his support, involves 30 Marian Shrines from various parts of the world.

The Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization announced the news with a press release on Wednesday afternoon. It takes place under the theme "The whole Church was fervently praying to God," which recalls a verse in the Book of Acts (12:5).

Prayer initiative

"The initiative will involve all the Shrines of the world in a special way, so that they might encourage the faithful, families, and communities to recite the Rosary to pray for an end to the pandemic," read the statement. Pope Francis will open the

Marian month of prayer on 1 May with a Rosary broadcast across Vatican Media's platforms.

Each day will see Vatican News broadcast the recitation of the Rosary at 6.00 PM Rome time from the various Shines taking part in the initiative. The Pope will also close the initiative on 31 May with another specially-broadcast Rosary.

End to the pandemic

This year's dedication of May to pandemic-related prayer recalls a similar occurrence during the first wave in March 2020.

Pope Francis led the world in prayer during that confusing and difficult time, celebrating a live-streamed, daily Mass in the Casa Santa Marta.

After more than a year, and with the world still in the grips of the pandemic, the Pope and the Church around the world are once again leading the way in imploring God for an end to the suffering which so many people are forced to bear.

JOIN ACCORD

As a marriage preparation course facilitator.

- Support couples preparing for marriage
- Gain valuable training
- Learn new skills

ACCORD are now recruiting Volunteer facilitators: If you have a positive attitude towards

marriage in the Catholic Church If you have the enthusiasm to be part of the

Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage -ACCORD wants to hear from you: Contact Deirdre on 07980 898399 or email: info@accordni.com www.accordni.com

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION When we cannot attend Mass, we can still make an Act of Spiritual Communion, in which we express our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist and ask him to unite Himself with us.

The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith, an Act of Love, a desire to receive Christ and an invitation to Him to come into your heart.

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

MARRIAGES AND FUNERALS and BAPTISMS

- The number permitted to attend weddings and funerals (80) is to be informed by a risk assessment for the venue.
- Pre- and post-funeral gatherings are not permitted.

Given that the government restrictions are easing, grandparents and siblings will be able to attend Baptisms from June under strict Covid rules and social distancing regulations.

Environmental Health has advised all of our current mitigation measures should also continue to apply: (face coverings be worn at all times by everyone within church buildings), hand-sanitizing and social distancing and all other precautions. None adherence to these measures could lead to a fine being imposed.

Masses can also be viewed via the Parish Webcam



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

Marion Avery, Kilwilkie Road

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 22 MAY (VIGIL MASS) - 7.00pm Frank Curran, New Street William McCaughley, Ashwood Yvonne Brankin, Portadown Gerry Murray, Ailsbury Park Annie and John Egan, Belfast

> SUNDAY 23 MAY 9.00AM MASS Angela Kelly, Edward Street

SUNDAY 23 MAY 10.30AM MASS Donal McLaughlin, Hawthorne Avenue Gregory Finnegan, Silverwood Drive Seamie O'Hagan, Drumlin Drive

MONDAY 24 MAY Geraldine Leathern, Portadown Road (MM) Stanley Maguire, Edward Street

TUESDAY 25 MAY Hugh Coulter, Mark Street Eamon McCarron, Brookvale Walk Joe McNally, Ailsbury Park

WEDNESDAY 26 MAY James (Jimmy) Smyth Senior, Old Portadown Road Frank and Stephen Derby

> THURSDAY 27 MAY Feargal McConville, Oakridge William and Mary Toner, Sloan Street Baby Joseph Bailey, Sloan Street Philomena Magee, Arthur Street Una McCausland, Edward Street

FRIDAY 28 MAY Mary Murphy, Belfast Rose Toal, Prospect Way Ned McCann, Rampart Street Maureen Rodgers, The Grange

SATURDAY 29 MAY 10.30am Owen Lavery, Thornleigh Owen McConville

For all those buried in The Dougher and St Colman's Cemeteries

Eternal Rest Grant on to them O Lord!

Praver 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!

Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind

Requests for anniversaries and Month's Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office before 12 Noon each Wednesday

The minimum diocesan stipend is £10.00.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Sunday 16 May 2021 £1,124.49

Our sincerest thanks to all our parishioners who have forwarded their offertory promise envelopes during this lockdown.

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