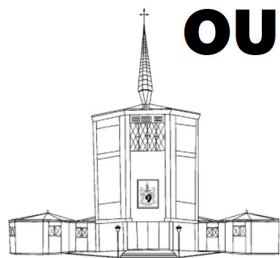


# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

## 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 25 JANUARY 2026**  
**THIRD SUNDAY IN**  
**ORDINARY TIME**

### OUR PARISH CLERGY

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**Rev Pearse Thornbury (028) 3832 3161**

### 24-HOUR NUMBER FOR ALL SICK CALLS AND EMERGENCIES

**TEL: (028) 3832 3161**  
**TEL: (028) 38321289**

**Parish web:** [www.lurganparish.com](http://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](mailto:safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org)

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



**ADORATION CHAPEL**  
**EDWARD STREET**  
**Adoration 9am to 9pm**



### BAPTISMS

All parents wishing to have a child baptized in St Paul's Parish, must notify the Parish Office in person.

**ONE MONTH'S NOTICE IS REQUIRED**  
Baptisms take place on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

### FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January St Timothy and St Titus, Bishop,** were close to St Paul as followers and later in their work with him. Tradition makes Timothy the first bishop of Ephesus. He has been invoked as a patron in cases of stomach complaint. Titus was sent to organize the Church in Crete.  
**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January - St Angela Merici, virgin and religious:** was founder of the Ursulines, devoted herself to Christian education based on love, kindness with firmness and concern for the individual.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January St Thomas Aquinas Priest and Doctor of the Church** - was born in Italy in 1224. He died in 1274. Thomas taught that Christian revelation and human knowledge are aspects of a single truth and cannot be in conflict with one another. One of the greatest theologians, he is patron of schools, university, students and booksellers.

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January - St Aidan, Bishop** was born around 550 probably in Co Cavan. Aidan studied under David in Wales and on his return he founded a monastery at Ferns. He became bishop there and was renowned for his generosity and kindness. He died in 626 and his life testifies to his popularity both in Cavan and Ferns.  
**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January - St John Bosco, Priest** - Born in Piedmont 1815-88, founded the Salesians to educate boys for life. He also became involved in publishing catechetical material for youth. He is a patron saint of youth and of Catholic publishers.

### NOTICE FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

All Eucharistic Ministers are warmly invited to attend a meeting in St Paul's Church on Thursday 5 February at 7:00pm, where we will share some important updates and discuss how we can continue to support this vital ministry, including the special role of visiting the sick and housebound.

If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister at St. Paul's you are also very welcome to join us. If you are unable to attend, please kindly inform the Parish Office by email or phone (leaving your name and contact details) at your earliest convenience.

Thank you so much for your ongoing commitment and service

### FOOD BANK

The door to the parish office area will be open daily from  
**9am until 12 Noon** Monday to Friday for non-perishable items.  
Thank You for your continued support.

### BETTER TOGETHER GROUP

Will be holding their monthly Tea-Dance on Sunday 15th February at Brownlow Community Hub commencing at 3.00pm. Music by The Elderly Brothers. All welcome

### 2026 TOURS

St Patrick's Day in London  
Sun 15 March - Wed 18 March return flights including baggage, return coach Lurgan to Airport. 3 nights B&B in 3\* St Giles Hotel (Oxford St/Theatreland) £379 price based on 2 sharing deposit of £30pp required to secure your seat. Call: Noel 079 5547 5650 or Gerard 3832 4741

Easter in Mayo  
Depart Mon 06 April 1nt Carrick on Shannon 3nts Westport Woods including local Tours & entertainment £489 ss £45

Summer in Nottingham  
Depart Sun 16 Aug 5 nights Warner Leisure full entertainment and tours £679 single supplement £50

### EASTER IN MAYO

Depart Monday 6 April  
1 night in Carrick on Shannon  
3 nights in Westport Woods  
Including local Tours and entertainment £489 (single supplement £45)

### SUMMER IN NOTTINGHAM

Depart Sunday 16 August  
5 nights Warner Leisure  
Full entertainment and tours £679 (single supplement £50)  
Call: Noel 079 5547 5650 or Gerard 3832 4741



### COFFEE MORNING and SALE

Sunday 25th January  
St Peter's Parish Hall  
10.00am - 1.00pm  
All proceeds to Evora Hospice Care, formerly known as Southern Regional Hospice

### ANAM CARA

The organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 28th January 2026 at 7.30pm in the Armagh City Hotel, Friary Road, Armagh. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance.

We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

### DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2026  
at 7.30pm  
in Banbridge Parish Centre

The Society's first event of its new programme is a talk by James Doran entitled "The Saints Next Door" - The Witness and Example of Saints Pier Giorgio Frassati & Carlo Acutis."

Admission £1.00  
All welcome

### BIBLE STUDY

Sharing the Word:  
Every first Thursday of the month  
Bring your Bible & Rosary.  
"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them" (Matthew 18:20).

### CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Meets on the last Thursday of every month above the Sacristy  
In St. Peter's.

### PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Flying Direct from Belfast International  
7 nights F/B Avenida Hotel  
14th/21st August  
Spiritual Director: Fr Andrew McMahon PP

Convenient flight times.  
£845pps. Deposit secures.  
For further information contact:  
Joe 077 7642 5631  
or J. Walsh Tours, Dublin.

### PARISH OFFICE

Will be closed next  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January and re-open  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 9.00am

**Angel of God**, my guardian dear,  
To whom God's love commits me here,  
Ever this day be at my side,  
To light, to guard, to rule, and guide.  
Amen.



### 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

**Helen Watson, Villiers Avenue**  
**Angela and Patricia Kearney**  
**Hillsborough Road, Moira**

**Colum Doyle, James Lodge, Gawley's Gate**

### SATURDAY 24 JANUARY 2026 10.30AM

Arthur McSherry, Edward Street  
Margaret Ann Carville, Oakfield Terrace  
Bernadette and Joe France, Oakleigh Heights  
Mary McAliskey, Turmoyra, Lurgan  
Kathleen Canavan, Lough Road

### SATURDAY 24 JANUARY 2026 7.00PM VIGIL

Marie McCluskey, Springwell Gardens

### SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 9.00AM

**Molly Murphy (MM), Crossmaglen**  
Brigid Smyth, Carlingford  
Shane O'Hagan, Francis Street  
Mary Finnegan, Antrim Road

### SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 10.30AM

Harry and Josie McGarry, Manor Park  
Rosaleen McCrory, Ashwood  
Samuel McCrory, Edward Street

### MONDAY 26 JANUARY 10.00AM

Sharon McConville, Drumlin Drive  
Paul Cardwell, Oakfield Terrace  
Michael (Mick) O'Hara, Francis Street  
Donald McCrory, Silverwood Drive  
Sadie McLaughlin, Hawthorne Avenue  
Laurence McCrory, Beaumont Square/Wendover  
Sean Thompson, Drumlin Drive

### TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 10.00AM

Jimmy Williamson, Portadown  
John Joseph Creaney, Thornleigh  
Danny McIntyre, Silverwood Drive  
Brian McMahon, Richmount Gardens  
Gabriel (Gabby) Headley, Springwell Gardens  
James (Jim) Long, Killough Gardens

### WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY 10.00AM

#### Jim Greene (MM), Oakridge

John Gaskin, Church Walk  
Alice McCorry, Francis Street  
Pauline Mullaly, Taghnevan  
Donald and Dan Kearney, Moira

### THURSDAY 29 JANUARY 2026 10.00AM

Mary Elizabeth Coleman, Waring Street

### FRIDAY 30 JANUARY 2026 10.00AM

William McCrory, Shankill Street  
Michael Breen, Loughview Terrace, Derrytrasna  
Eamon McAvoy (Junior), England  
Liam Magill, Mary Street

### SATURDAY 31 JANUARY 2026 10.30AM

Michelle McNally, Albert Terrace  
Bobby May, Silverwood Drive  
Susan McDonald, Manor Park  
Seamus Leatham, Portadown Road  
Pat Smyth, Brown Street

### SATURDAY 31 JANUARY 2026 7.00PM VIGIL

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD!**

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>

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Repent, in other words, 'Change your life'. Today Jesus speaks those same words to you: 'Take heart, I am here with you, allow me to enter ad your life will change'. Jesus knocks at the door. That is why the Lord gives you his word, so that you can receive it like a love letter he has written to you, to help you realise that he is at your side. His word consoles and encourages us. At the same time, it challenges us, frees us from the bondage of our selfishness and summons us to conversion. Because his word has the power to change our lives and to lead us out of darkness into the light.

*Pope Francis*  
*Sunday of the Word of God 2020*

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 18 January 2026 £2,007.78

### PAYMENT MACHINE IN CHURCH

October 2025 £160.31  
November 2025 £179.08  
December 2025 £395.77

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



### MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES 2026

**8<sup>TH</sup> - 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026**

Price increases to £695 after 30 Jan '26  
Return flights from Dublin  
7 Night Pilgrimage with Mary Austin and Mona Mitchell

For more information on joining the group please contact:

Mary: 077 1873 1096  
Mona: 078 8071 4113