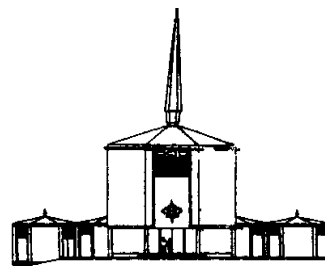


Bulletin



21st Sunday In Ordinary Time ~ 27 August 2017

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 10 am
Saturday: 10.30 am

Saturday Vigil: 7 pm

Sunday:
9 am 10.30 am 12 noon

CONFESSIONS
First Thurs of the Month:
6.15 pm – 6.50 pm

Saturday:
11 am – 11.30 am
& 6.15 pm - 6.50 pm

St. Vincent de Paul

Ozanam Centre,
William Street

Opening Hours:
(Shop & Office)

Monday – Friday,
10 am-1 pm :: 2 pm-4 pm
Closed, lunch, 1pm – 2 pm.

Saturday, (shop only)
10 am- 12 noon

Office: Tel: 38 325725 ext 3
Shop: Tel: 3832 5725 ext 2

Lough Derg

*Safe journey to everyone
going to Lough Derg
tomorrow.*

Parish Office Hours from 1st September.

Monday – Thursday
9.30 am – 1.30 pm
Fri, 9.30am – 12.30pm

Marking 25 years of St Paul's and St Peter's Parishes 1992 – 2017

Dear Parishioners

The month ahead sees the significant milestone of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishing of St Paul's and St Peter's as distinct parishes within Lurgan. These new entities came into being in September of 1992, following the retirement of the late Monsignor Murray from the former office of Parish Priest of Shankill. Bishop Brooks canonically established the two parishes as St Peter's, Shankill, and St Paul's, Shankill, on 4th September 1992, in a decree which stated:

The new parish of St Peter's shall consist of the following townlands: Kinnego, Clanrolla, Liscorran, Tullydagan, Tannaghmore North, Lurgantarry, Cornakinnegar, Drumnarnoe, Tullyronnelly, Kilmore, Killaghy, and part of each of Lurgan, Drumnakelly, Ballyblagh, Dougher, Knocknashane, Derry and Turmoyra.

The new parish of St Paul's shall consist of the following townlands: Annaloiste, Boconnell, Knockramer, Silverwood, Shankill, Taghnevan, Tannaghmore South, Toberhewney, Aughnacloy, Tirsogue, and part of each of Lurgan, Drumnakelly, Ballyblagh, Dougher, Knocknashane, Derry, Turmoyra and part of Ballinamoney (the other part being in Seagoe Parish) and part of Monbrief (the other part being in Moyraverty Parish).

One week later, on 11th September 1992, Bishop Brooks appointed the then Fr Arthur Byrne as Parish Priest of St Peter's, Shankill, and Fr Francis Molloy as Parish Priest of St Paul's. With the larger and much older of Lurgan's Catholic churches at its heart, St Peter's Parish naturally inherited a strong sense of both identity and tradition. St Paul's Parish, while it contained some of Lurgan's longest established streets and neighbourhoods, centred around a church which was, in 1992, just twenty-six years in existence. It was perceived, perhaps, to be very much the 'new' parochial entity within the town and set about the challenge of forging its identity as a vibrant, independent parish.

The dividing of larger parishes into smaller ones was not unusual in the decades following the Second Vatican Council. With the Council's promotion of the Church as the 'people of God', an emphasis grew upon parish as 'community'. Efforts were made to try and develop parishes as meaningful 'local' communities - especially in larger urban environments. Many modern church buildings (and schools) appeared in Ireland's cities and bigger towns in these decades. They usually catered for new housing developments and attempted to provide residents with a local sense of Church and neighbourhood. In more recent years, however, we have seen an on-going decline in Mass attendance and, also, a falling number of priests. This is leading to very significant change in parish life and, yet again, new trends are emerging: Neighbouring parishes are often having to share clergy, and other resources, and sometimes parishes are merging altogether.

During the past two and a half decades within Lurgan, St Peter's and St Paul's Parishes have shared responsibility for the upkeep of St Colman's Cemetery. The trusteeship of local Catholic schools has also been shared. In very recent years - since November 2012 - St Peter's and St Paul's have shared a common team of clergy, who have been ministering across both parishes.

At the same time, separate church premises, parish offices, parish staff and parish bulletins have been maintained. In addition, St Peter's and St Paul's each has its own pastoral council and finance committee whose members advise on the pastoral, liturgical and devotional life of their particular parish and on the management and oversight of parish resources and facilities. In consequence, each parish has probably developed its own priorities and its own distinctive way of doing things in the course of the past twenty-five years.

We cannot foresee how the Lurgan parishes might change and develop in the years ahead. Nevertheless, we entrust both Faith communities to the unending care of our almighty Father and the guidance of His Holy Spirit. And we give heartfelt thanks to God for the parishioners and pastors of both St Peter's and St Paul's and for all who, in cooperation with them, have helped make our two parishes - over the past quarter century - the faithful and generous communities they have become and continue to be.

Fr. Andrew McMahon

Clanbrassil Comhaltas

Irish traditional music classes will recommence at 6.30 pm on Friday, 1st September in Conradh na Gaeilge, 25 North St.

Classes in whistle, fiddle, etc. Final registration for returning members will be held **Friday, 25th August at 7 pm**. If interested call at **7pm, Wed. 30 Aug.** clanbrassilc@vahoo.com

also
The committee of the Gaelic League would like to thank all who generously donated to their annual collection.

Reg. For Irish Language classes will take place in the Gaelic League on **Monday, 21st August, 7 pm – 8.30 pm.**

Friends of Southern Area Hospice

invite you to join them for
A Coffee Morning

Sunday, 3rd September, 10 am – 1 pm
in St. Peter's Parish hall.

St. Francis' PS re-opens for pupils P2-P7 on **Friday, 1 Sept.** Nursery & P1 pupils should attend as per their induction letters.

Free Irish Language Course - All Levels

10 am – 4 pm, **Saturday 9th September** in An Ceannáras, Armagh Athletic Grounds.
028 37515229, sean@cairdeteo.com

ST BERNADETTE'S LOURDES GROUP

The Pilgrimage which was due to go to Lourdes 14th-21st September 2017 is not going ahead due to unforeseen circumstances.

English As A Second Language Classes for Immigrants & Refugees

Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society,
Ozanam Centre, William Street.

A meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 30th August, 7 pm** in the Centre to prepare for upcoming classes in September.
We invite anyone who has volunteered or who would be interested in being volunteer as a tutor or assistant in these classes.

Exam Results

Congratulations to all students who worked so hard to achieve their school results. To the parents/teachers and all who helped in any way.

Lourdes (Charity Night)

16 Sept, 8pm 'till late, Clan na Gael Club.
Live Music by Gypsy's Wish, £5 entry. (All proceeds to Lourdes).
Spot prizes/raffle, all welcome.

Moyraverty 50+ Group :: Tea Dance
Thurs. 31 Aug., 8pm-10.30pm. Usual transport, tel. Maureen on: 07774505169.

5 & 6 Dromore Lurgan Scouts
Reg., Night, Tue. 5 Sept., 7pm-8.30pm
Scout Den, Kiln Lane.

Lectio Divina

(Reading, Recognising, Responding, Resting & Reflecting on the Sunday Gospel)

This will commence on Thursday, 7th September for 5 consecutive weeks.
(Also, Sat., 7th Oct., 10 am–4.30 pm)

There will be a choice of two sessions: 11.30 am or 8.15 pm.
Cost: £5, (Soup & roll for lunch), Places limited.

Venue: Lectio Divina Centre, 35-37 Dominic Street, Newry. Tel: 02830262178. lectiocentre35@gmail.com

Grandparents National Annual Pilgrimage

10th Sept., Knock Shrine, 2.30 pm.

(To honour and thank Grandparents alive and deceased).
Chief Celebrant, Archbishop Eamon Martin, Ballina School Choir – Dana sings 'Our Lady of Knock'
Everyone welcome.

Always wanted to volunteer overseas?

Learn more at the Viatores Christi (VC) in Belfast, **Wed. 6 Sept 7.30 pm in St. John' Parochial House,** Falls Rd. Belfast. Tel: 018689986 or apply@viatoreschristi.com

Action on Hearing Loss

are running a
Tinnitus Awareness Event on:
Tuesday, 5th Sept, 6 pm-7.30pm
Lurgan Library.

Ozanam Centre, Lurgan

Thursday, 7th September
Senior Ladies Line Dancing,
11 am - 12 noon, followed by Bingo,
12 noon – 12.45 pm, £3.

Light refreshments provided, come along and join the fun.

Grand Charity Cabaret & Dance

Friday, 1st September,
Ashburn Hotel
Host & Comperé – Sean Williams
Entertainment with Gene Fitzpatrick.

Tickets £12, doors open 8 pm,
Funds to Lurgan & Moyraverty
Lourdes and also NI Hospice in
memory of Fr. Martin McAlinden.

*Limited number of tickets available,
purchase from any committee member
or from the hotel reception.*

Tel: Garv. 07747793755.



RECENTLY DECEASED

Sadie Blaney, Derrymacash,
Eileen Connolly, Moira,
Charlie Agnew, Tannaghmore North Road,
Peter McKeown, Allenhill Park,
Tiernan Kane-Cavanagh, Gawley's Gate,
Dawn McKerr, Craigavon,
Stephen Duff, Carrigart Manor,
Agnes Slevin, England.

ANNIVERSARIES

SUNDAY 27 AUGUST

Vigil

Anne Toner, Francis Street.

9 am

Finbarr Dummigan, Albert Avenue.

MONDAY 28 AUGUST

Annette Williamson, Church Walk,
Raymond McCrory, Beech Court,
Peter & Catherine McCrory, Victoria Street,
Margaret Johnson, Victoria Street,
Mary Devlin, Ann Street.

TUESDAY 29 AUGUST

Rose McCann, Silverwood Drive,
Sean McCann, Craigavon,
Nuala Faren, Beech Court,
Fr. Jim Kerr, North Street,
Elizabeth Leathem, Boconnell Lane,
Margaret Dummigan, Sloan Street,
Benny O'Hagan, Oakridge.

THURSDAY 31 AUGUST

Tommy & Mary French, Edward Street,
Patrick Molloy, Manor Park.

FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

Marie Green, Hawthorne Avenue,
Joseph Gaskin, Wesley Place.

SATURDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

Geraldine McKenna, Knockramer Mds.

St. Patrick's, Derrymacash

Our Lady of Fatima
Family Rosary Devotion, 7 pm

Wednesday, 13th Sept, Friday, 13th Oct

Offertory Collection

£1,783, thank you.