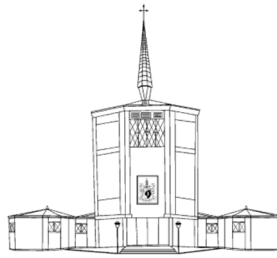


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

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.

OUR PARISH CLERGY

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SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2026
26th 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 and Month's
Mind notices must be left into the
Parish Office on or before 12 noon on
the Wednesday prior to the week before
if they are to be included in the Bulletin.
The minimum diocesan stipend is £10.
ENVELOPES ARE PROVIDED AT THE
BACK OF THE CHURCH WHICH WE
WOULD ASK YOU TO PLEASE USE.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God is not fair. In any case, it is not fair in human terms. For us, fairness means getting paid in proportion to the work done. For God, justice is equal pay. Where does this discrepancy come from? We value man in proportion to what he gives us. God values man because of his existence. For us, the existence of another human being has value when something results from this existence. For God, the existence of each of us is in itself a priceless value. In today's Gospel, employment in a vineyard means accepting Love as your way of life. Whoever has done it has done EVERYTHING and 'earned' the highest wage.

Fr George • timeofmercy.com

St Paul's Parish now accepts ONLINE DONATIONS Just scan the QR code with your phone camera to donate



Or visit <https://donate.myдона.com/st-pauls-parish-lurgan>



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: and Friday 7:00pm
Saturday 9.30am
Saint Peter's Parish Office
Parish Secretary
(028) 3832 3161

stpetersparishlurgan@dromorediocese.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



BAPTISMS

All parents wishing to have a child baptised 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.

IRISH MASS

The first Irish Mass of the new season will take place on
Tuesday 29th September
in Adoration Chapel, Edward Street at 8pm.



ADORATION CHAPEL
EDWARD STREET
Adoration 9am to 9pm

MOYRAVERTY 50+ CLUB

Annual General Meeting
Will be held on Monday 5th October 2026 at 11.00am in
Drumellan Community Centre
All Welcome

24-HOUR NUMBER FOR ALL SICK CALLS AND EMERGENCIES

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

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

"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

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

FAMILY MASS

At today's Family Mass, 27 September, there will be a special blessing for children on their return to school and if the children would like to bring their school bags along, they will be blessed also.

A PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL ARCHANGELS FEAST 29 SEPTEMBER

Heavenly King, You have given us archangels to assist us during our pilgrimage on earth. Saint Michael is our protector; I ask him to come to my aid, fight for all my loved ones, and protect us from danger. Saint Gabriel is a messenger of the Good News; I ask him to help me clearly hear Your voice and to teach me the truth. Saint Raphael is the healing angel; I ask him to take my need for healing and that of everyone I know, lift it up to Your throne of grace and deliver us back to the gift of recovery. Help us, O Lord, to realize more fully the reality of archangels and their desire to serve us. Holy angels, pray for us. Amen

ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX FEAST 1 OCTOBER PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O glorious Saint Thérèse, whom almighty God has raised up to aid and counsel mankind, I implore your Miraculous Intercession. So powerful are you in obtaining every need of body and soul our Holy Mother Church proclaims you a 'Prodigy of Miracles ... the Greatest Saint of Modern times.' Now I fervently beseech you to answer my petition (*mention here*) and to carry out your promises of spending Heaven doing good upon earth ... of letting fall from Heaven a Shower of Roses. Henceforth, dear Little Flower, I will fulfill your plea' to be made known everywhere' and I will never cease to lead others to Jesus through you. Amen.

FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER FEAST OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

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

APOSTOLIC WORK OF MERCY

Fr Kingsley and members of the Parish Prayer Group will be carrying out Apostolic Work of Mercy sometime in October/November this year, to visit sick parishioners, the lonely or the housebound, to say the Rosary with them, or a wee chat and to let them know they are not alone because the parish remembers and always prays for them.

If you or your family would like a visit, could you please leave your name and address into the Parish Office. This will help Fr Kingsley and the Prayer Group to plan the visit.

ALTAR AND MISSION SOCIETY

Are now back in Parish Hall every Tuesday evening from 7.00pm. Raising much needed money for the Missions and Church at home and abroad. Can you sew or knit? Could you help in any way? Alterations, crocheting and knitting done for a donation. Old and new members welcome

ANAM CARA the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Wednesday 30th September 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 028 952 13120 or email info@anamcara.ie

EVORA HOSPICE MEMORY TREE

Remember someone special by dedicating a light on the Evora Hospice Memory Tree. Your dedication is a meaningful way to remember a loved one while supporting the care provided by Evora Hospice. For more information, please visit the Evora Hospice website or contact our Fundraising Office on 028 3026 7711.

FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

Tuesday 29 September - SS Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels' Gabriel
Wednesday 30th September St Jerome, priest and doctor of the Church
Thursday 1 Oct. - St Thérèse of Lisieux
Friday 2 October - The Guardian Angels
Saturday 3 October - Blessed Columba Marmion, Priest



Friday 9th October St Peter's Church
Mass at 7.00pm
ALL MASSES ACROSS THE WEEKEND TO CELEBRATE YOUNG PEOPLE
Sunday 11 October St Paul's Church
Healing Service at 7pm
Monday 12th October – St Anthony's Church
Mass at 7pm

A SPECIAL EVENING OF PRAYER & REFLECTION – ST PADRE PIO SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER MASS AT 7PM

Priest: Stigmatist: Saint
'Pray, Hope and don't worry'
'Stay with Jesus, for he is the way, the truth and the life'.

Veneration of the Holy Relic of Padre Pio will be available during the **7pm Mass, in St Patricks Aghagallon**, followed by individual blessings immediately afterwards. All are warmly welcome to attend. Tea and Coffee will be served after Mass at the Kiosk

CONGRATULATIONS to the Under 16 Clan Na Gael team who won the Division One Championship recently. A great achievement.

GIFT – GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER

will be starting in St Peters Hall Thursday 24 September from 6:30pm – 8pm for five weeks. GIFT is a fun, faith-filled programme designed to help the seeds of faith planted through the Sacraments in primary school continue to grow. Through friendship, activities, prayer and shared experiences, GIFT encourages young people to discover that faith is not simply something we receive, but a living relationship with Jesus that can become a natural and joyful part of everyday life. Our hope is to nurture that seed, ignite a fire in the hearts of our young people, and give them the confidence to live their faith openly. By becoming who God created them to be, they can inspire others, carry His light into their homes, parish and communities, and set the world aflame once again! "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire".

St Catherine of Siena

DROMORE DIOCESE YOUTH COM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ALPHA

are offering a training opportunity for all who want to find out more about ALPHA and to learn how to deliver the programme. This is open to Parishes, Parish groups, Youth Groups, Schools and others - all who have an interest in learning more about ALPHA to enabling young people, parents, and others to grow in faith. This event is free - our venue is Newry Parish Centre on Saturday 3rd Oct - 10 am to 4 pm - includes refreshments and lunch. Please see link to registration page below: [Run Alpha - Catholic Context: Newry Tickets, Saturday, October 3, 10 AM-4 PM | Eventbrite](https://www.runalpha.com/catholic-context-newry-tickets-saturday-october-3-10am-4pm-eventbrite)

Return to Studies Mass
Sunday 6th September in Newry Cathedral 5.30 -pm Mass- celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin - we welcome parents with primary school children, teenagers and young adults who are in further education or training - we welcome all, parents, grandparents and others to pray for our young people. Come early - all welcome,



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

Charles McDonald, Ailsbury Park
Bernadette Hamill, Carrickvale Avenue
Jackie McGuigan, Filbin Crescent
Joseph (Joe) French, North Circular Road
SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.30AM
Imelda Magee, Oakfield Terrace
Kay Murray, Milltown
William McSherry, Edward Street
Bernadette Snyder (McAtasney) Silverwood Dr/USA
SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER VIGIL MASS 7.00PM
Francie Haughian, Carrickvale Avenue

SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2026 9.00AM

Eileen Doran, Woodville Avenue
Sean McCann, Derrycor Lane

SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.30AM

Bernie McNeill, Knockramer Close
Lily O'Neill, Bayshore, Derrytagh North
Thomas McConville, Arthur Street
Gwen McKenna, Manor Park
Clare Scullion, Parkview Street

MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.00AM

Maurice McLwaine, Annesborough Park
Brian Heaney, Sloan Street
Jimmy Jackson, Dingwell Park

TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.00AM

Marie Thornbury, Francis Street

WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2026 10.00AM

Bridín Douglas, Old Portadown Road
Patrick McAlinden, Portadown Road

THURSDAY 1 OCTOBER 2026 10.00AM

Brendan Scullion, Silverwood
Jack Douglas, Killough Gardens
Elizabeth Toland, Sloan Street

FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER 2026 10.00 AM

Jarlath McConaghy (MM)
Ballinamoney Heights, Derrymacash
Nellie Douglas, Killough Gardens
Desi McKerr, Killough Gardens
Tina McEntee, Aghagallon

SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER 2026 10.30AM

Patsy Corey, England
Francie Mallon, Cherrytree Walk
James Doyle, Wolfisland Terrace
John Creaney, Edward Street
Mary Muirhead, Oakridge

SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER 2026 - VIGIL 7.00PM

Alice Bernadette McConville
Lower North Street/Edward Street

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEIR, O LORD!

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MAKE ME AN INSTRUMENT OF YOUR PEACE!

All parishioners are warmly invited to a special Mass celebrating the **800th Anniversary of St Francis of Assisi in Newry Cathedral on Friday, 2nd October at 10.30 a.m. celebrated by the Rt. Rev Michael Router, Bishop of Derry.**
Pope Leo has designated this anniversary as a Holy Year offering us the opportunity to celebrate Francis' life and to gain a Plenary Indulgence, under the usual conditions. All are welcome!