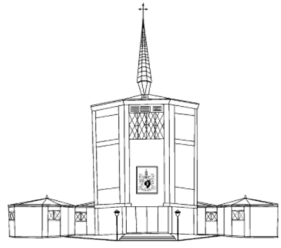


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL



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 31 MARCH 2024
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE
LORD'S RESURRECTION



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
Telephone: (028) 3832 1289
Email: stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org

Office Hours

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.



ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street Adoration:
9am - 9pm

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Commences on Good Friday and runs until Divine Mercy Sunday, 7th April.
The Lord said to St Faustina,
"By this Novena (of chaplets) I will grant every possible grace to souls".
The Chaplet of Mercy is the essential prayer to be recited every day using normal rosary beads.

For this and additional prayers, visit www.thedivinemercy.org

Leaflets are available at the back of the Church.

THE DIVINE MERCY MASS

will be celebrated on Sunday 7th April 2024 at 3.00pm in St Peter's

AE RUSSELL FESTIVAL

Saturday 6th April (AE) Walking Tour starting Brownlow House at 10.00am.
Big Heads Parade and Family Fun Day at 12 Noon at Castle Lane Car Park
All welcome.
See leaflets and website for further details.



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
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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 and 1:30pm –2:30pm

A PRAYER FOR EASTER WEEK

Dear Lord, may I realize afresh today what Your death and resurrection mean for me. Forgiveness, freedom, and the ability to walk with You through this fallen world into eternity. May I always find my satisfaction in You and Your willingness to offer Yourself to me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

We praise you in this Easter season. Change our lives, change our hearts to be messengers of Easter joy and hope. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord forever. Amen.

FOOD BANK

Thank you for your continued support and generosity for the local foodbank.

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.

OFFERTORY PROMISE ENVELOPES

The new envelopes are being delivered during the next week.

If you require Envelopes for the first time or have changed your address please contact let the Parish Office know. Thank You

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
Mr Stephen Sherry: 07301246329
safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org

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

MARY AT THE CROSS

Mary, Virgin and Mother, you who, moved by the Holy Spirit, welcomed the word of life in the depths of your humble faith; as you gave yourself completely to the Eternal One, help us to say our own 'yes' to the urgent call, as pressing as ever, to proclaim the good news of Jesus. Filled with Christ's presence, you brought joy to John the Baptist, making him exult in the womb of his mother. Brimming over with joy, you sang of the great things done by God. Standing at the foot of the cross with unyielding faith, you received the joyful comfort of the resurrection, and joined the disciples in awaiting the Spirit so that the evangelising Church might be born.

RELECTION FOR GOOD FRIDAY

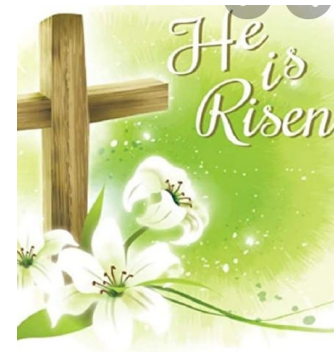
Why do we call this Friday 'Good' when so many bad things happened? It is a day of contrasts and of paradox, a day of contradictions. It is a day of unparalleled evil, but we strangely call it 'Good'.

God came to earth so that we may go to heaven. God became human so that we might become divine. The son of man became a slave so that we could be set free. Jesus was rejected so that we might be accepted. Jesus forgave so that we would forgive. Jesus was convicted so that we might have conviction. Jesus was sold so that we could be redeemed. Jesus was hurt so that we could be healed. Jesus was scourged - we were purged. Jesus descended into hell so that we might ascend into heaven. Jesus was crowned with thorns that we might have the crown of eternal life. The sky went dark so that we might see the light. The earth shook so that we might be calm. Jesus was condemned as guilty so that we might be found innocent.

Jesus carried his cross so that Satan's plan would be crossed out. Jesus was opened by a spear so that our hearts might be opened by love. Jesus lay in a tomb for only three days. This is a day of supreme contrasts, paradox and even contradiction. Jesus suffered all those bad things, so that we might call this Friday 'Good'

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 24th March 2024 £2,078.13
Thank you for your continued generosity and support to your Parish and your Priests.



Happy Easter

HAPPY EASTER DAY

May Easter bring to all our Parishioners, the Blessings of God's love.

Wishing you all a Happy and Holy Easter

Beannachtaí na Cásca daoibh go léir

Blogoslawionych Swiat
Zmartwychstania Panskiego

Canon Liam Stevenson, Fr Colum,
Fr Jozef, Fr Maciej, Fr Kingsley,
Deacon Kevin
and the staff of St Paul's.

CONFESSIONS AND MASSES DURING HOLY WEEK, EASTER SUNDAY AND EASTER WEEK

CONFESSIONS

St Peter's - Saturday 30 March from 10.00 to 11.00am

St Paul's - Saturday 30 March 11.00am to 12 Noon.

St Anthony's Craigavon - Good Friday 2.00 - 3.00pm Holy Saturday 10.00 - 11.00am

St Mary's, Derrytrasna: Good Friday 2.00 - 3.00pm

St Patrick's Derrymacash: Holy Saturday 11.00am - 12 Noon

MASSES

ST PAUL'S:

Good Friday - Stations of the Cross at 3pm.

Holy Land collection - A collection will be taken up at the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday in St Paul's and St Peter's for the persecution of Christians in the Holy Lands. (Baskets available at back of Church - St Paul's).

Veneration of the Cross with Holy Communion at 7.00pm

Please note all anniversaries for Good Friday will be prayed for both at the Stations of the Cross and the evening Service

Holy Saturday - Vigil Mass 9.00pm. *Please note all anniversaries for Holy Saturday will be prayed for at the evening Mass.*

Easter Sunday Masses 9.00am and 10.30am

ST PETER'S:

Good Friday - Stations of the Cross at 3.00pm

Polish Stations of the Cross at 6.00pm

Veneration of the Cross with Holy Communion at 7.00pm

Holy Saturday Masses Vigil 9.00pm in St Paul's and St Peter's. Please note all anniversaries for Holy Saturday will be prayed for at the evening Mass.

Easter Sunday Masses

Mass times as normal. Resurrection Holy Mass in Polish 6.00am

The Knights of Saint Columbanus will distribute bottles of Blessed Holy Water after all the Easter Masses.

Weekday Masses for Easter Week: Monday to Saturday

St Peter's - 9.30am

St Paul's - 10.30am

Easter Monday Mass po polsku; 11.00am

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Women's testimony was regarded as so worthless that they weren't even allowed to serve as legal witnesses in a Jewish court of law. In light of this, it's absolutely remarkable that the chief witnesses to the empty tomb are these women who were friends of Jesus. Any later legendry account would have certainly portrayed male disciples as discovering the tomb - Peter or John, for example.

The fact that women are the first witnesses to the empty tomb is most plausibly explained by the reality that - like it or not - they were the discoverers of the empty tomb. This shows that the Gospel writers faithfully recorded what happened, even if it was embarrassing.



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

Shaun McCarron, Ennis Close

John McShane

Ennis Tarry/Charlestown Road, Derrytrasna

Anne McKeown née McStravick, Antrim Road

Joseph (Joe) McGeown, Hillcrest

HOLY SATURDAY 30 MARCH 9.00pm VIGIL MASS

Eileen Scullion, Edward Street

Marie Rooney, Belfast

Sean McMahon, Old Portadown Road

Elsie McGrann, Manor Park

Isobel Abby Watterson, Hill Court/Moira

SUNDAY 31st MARCH 9.00AM MASS

No Anniversaries

SUNDAY 31st MARCH 10.30AM MASS

Eileen Read, Harlow, Essex

Patricia McNeice, Garland Heights

Bill, Norah and Paul Clarke, Manor Drive

Jim O'Neill (Junior), Ailsbury Gardens

Kathleen Lyons, Riverglade

MONDAY 1st APRIL 10.30AM

Gerald Byrne, Taghnevan Close

Hugh Magee, Silverwood

Hugh and Margaret McCluskey, Edward Street

Edward and Mary Agnes McCluskey, North Street

TUESDAY 2nd APRIL 10.30AM

Marie O'Hagan (MM), Oakridge

Patrick Doran, Woodville Avenue

Bernice Lavery, Conor Park

James and Edith Craig, Silverwood Drive

Mary Furphy, Silverwood Drive

WEDNESDAY 3rd APRIL MARCH 10.30AM

Gertie McGivern, Cafolla Gardens

Victor Lavery, Downshire Avenue

Lily McConville, Shankill Street

Lee Stevenson (née Lavery), London/Antrim Road

THURSDAY 4th APRIL 10.30AM

Donald Kerr (Junior), Drumlin Drive

Sarah Greene, Ashwood

Eileen McConaghy, Woodville Grove

Tommy Haddock, Shankill Street

FRIDAY 5th APRIL 10.30AM

Margaret Austin (MM) (née McCorry)

Dublin/Lurgan

Tommy Magee, Victoria Street

SATURDAY 6th APRIL 10.30AM

Mary McCann (MM) (Née Murtagh)

Gilpin's Manor

Edward Jordan, Cypress Gardens

Philomena Wallace, Ardglass, Co Down

Kathleen McCorry, Tannaghmore North/Manor Park

Maura Greene, Ashwood

Angela McKeever, Forest Glade

SATURDAY 6th APRIL 7.00PM (VIGIL MASS)

Jennifer McGeown, Collingdale

Hugh and Kathleen McCorry, St Winifred's Terrace

McCann Family, Glasgow

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!
AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE. AMEN.**

PARISH OFFICE



Will be closed on for the Easter holiday from Monday 1st April - Wednesday 3rd April and re-open on Thursday 4th April at 9.00am.