

# 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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Parish App: Parish365  
Download App Store or Google Play  
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### THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR MARCH

*For the New Martyrs.* We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world, inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

### FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK 3<sup>rd</sup> WEEK OF LENT

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March – St Casimir** is the patron of Poland. He strove to promote peace and the unity of Western Europe. Though a young prince, he chose a life of prayer and penance.

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March – St Kieran, Bishop** – Kieran of Saigir was born in Cape Clear, Co Cork. He is numbered among the pre-Patrician Saints of Ireland. He went to the continent where he was baptized and later ordained priest and bishop.

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** The Law is a great treasure to be safely guarded and to be handed on as a sacred trust. In the new Jerusalem, the Church, the laws of Christ are not to be seen as burdens or out of date. They are the evidence of the love of Christ for us.

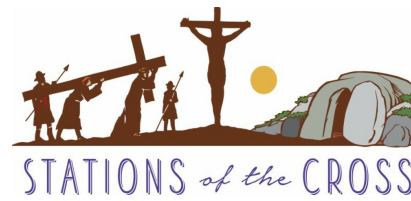
**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March -- Ss Perpetua and Felicity** St Perpetua and St Felicity are saints numbered among the Christian martyrs Perpetua, a young upper-class married woman and St Felicity, a slave girl, were martyred in Carthage 203.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March – St John of God and St Senan, Bishop** - St John devoted his life to the care of the poor and the sick. He is the patron saint of nurses, the sick, heart patients, printers and booksellers. St Senan was born near Kilrush Co Clare. His family were prosperous farmers. His vocation seems to have resulted from an experience of danger from the sea. He was anamchara to Ciaran of Clonmacnoise and Brendan. He died in 544.

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March – St Frances of Rome**, lived a happily married life and founded a society of women with the Rule of St Benedict and became a member of it after her husband's death.



Trocaire boxes are available at the back of the church



**ST PAUL'S**  
Fridays during Lent after 10.00 am Mass

**ST PETER'S**  
Stations of the Cross will be celebrated in St Peter's by Fr Kingsley at 6pm each Wednesday evening during Lent. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow (we pray for vocations to the priesthood) and the prayers will finish with benediction.

### ABORTION LAW

Please support an amendment to reduce abortion law from 24 weeks to 22 weeks.

Collect a postcard today from the back of the church and post it to your MP in support of this amendment.

### THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2024

Anyone wishing to go as a Pilgrim, Fare is £795 Single Room supplement £200.  
Please apply to:  
The Secretary Lurgan Lourdes Committee  
Rosemary McGuinness  
29 Hunters Lodge  
LURGAN BT66 6NB  
Or  
call 077 9631 0214



### 1000 HOURS OF ADORATION St Paul's Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 9.00am to 9.00pm

An initiative of prayer during Lent 2024 - "Praying with Blessed Carlo for Vocations"

In this *Year for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood* we are invited to reflect on the Priesthood and to pray that more young men may answer God's call to the service of his people as priests. Adoration will take place in St Paul's Church on the 20<sup>th</sup> March. The Adoration Chapel will be closed on that day only to enable adorers to attend St Paul's. **Could parishioners fill in a suitable time, on the list left at the back of the Church for them to attend Adoration on 20 March. Thank You!**

### Dromantine Summer Camp 2024

Registration for Camp 2024 goes live on Friday 1st March for players (11-16) and the leadership team (17+). For more information about camp and how to register please visit our website at [www.dromantinesummercamp.co.uk](http://www.dromantinesummercamp.co.uk)

### 2024 CAMP DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Boys' week 1: 7th-12<sup>th</sup> July  
Boys' week 2: 14th-19<sup>th</sup> July  
Girls' week 1: 21st-26<sup>th</sup> July  
Girls' week 2: 28<sup>th</sup> July- 2<sup>nd</sup> August

### MUSICAL EVENING

Thanks to everyone who supported the hospice musical evening at St Ronan's and helped raise £1,150 for Southern Area Hospice Services

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The Lord Jesus comes into your life expecting to find a place ordered to the worship of the one true God, but what he finds is 'a marketplace.' What does this mean? It means that Christ finds a place where things other than God have become primary. To bring such idolatry closer to our cultural experience how much of your life is given over to materialism, commercialism or the accumulation of things? What rivals to the one true God have you allowed to invade the sacred space of your soul?

### YOUTH ACTIVITIES

**Stay Awake** - show solidarity with the homeless - group challenge to stay awake from 7 pm to 7 am - time spent indoors and outdoors - learn from those who work with the homeless.

**Knock Volunteering Program** for Youth - 15 to 18 years - June 28 - 30, July 26 - 29 - include climbing Croagh Patrick and August 16 - 19, helping with Novena and family day.

If you are interested in any of the above or want more information email Frances at [youthdirector@dromorediocese.org](mailto:youthdirector@dromorediocese.org) include your mobile number or phone 028 3083 3898

### GENTLE REMINDER

If you have taken a bulletin during Mass, please take it home with you. Thank You



### 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

Anne Lavelle  
formerly Templar Court/Silverbridge Co Armagh  
Michael Carolan, Market Street  
Frances Maxwell, Garland Heights  
Sean Loney, Crumlin

### SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 7.00pm (VIGIL MASS)

Mary McGrann, Aghagallon  
Kathleen McKee, Craigavon/Belfast  
Paul Griffin, Armagh/formerly Downshire Avenue  
SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 9.00AM MASS  
Anne McShane (née Gribbon), Glenholme Park

### SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 10.30AM MASS

Paul O'Hagan (Junior), Australia  
James Haddock, Sloan Street  
Brendan O'Connor, Levin Road  
Jimmy Dummigan, Sloan Street

### MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 10.00AM

John McAlinden (MM), The Palms, Ballinry

### TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> MARCH 10.00AM

Leo May, Francis Street  
Gerry and Theresa Fearon, Ashwood  
Michael and Gerald O'Hanlon, Church Walk

### WEDNESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH 10.00AM

Rev Jim Sheppard, Drumlin Drive  
Billy Anderson, Waringstown  
Rita Haughian, Mary Street/Portsmouth  
Edward Bailey, formerly Conor Park  
Russell Family, Edward Street  
Dynes Family, Edward Street  
Mary Devlin, Edward Street  
John O'Hagan, Silverwood Drive

### THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 10.00AM

Josie McAvoy, Colane, Aghagallon  
Mena McQuillan, Cafolla Gardens  
Deirdre O'Connor, Levin Road  
Kathleen Luby, Walford  
Benedict (Benny) McAvoy, Thornleigh

### FRIDAY 8 MARCH 10.00AM

Peter McCorry, Antrim  
John Baillie, Francis Street  
Margaret Harvey, College Walk  
Sheila McAlinden, Oakfield Terrace

### SATURDAY 9 MARCH 10.30AM

Edward (Teddy) Smyth, Albert Street

### SATURDAY 9 MARCH 7.00pm VIGIL MASS

Gerry Gillen (MM), Dingwell Park  
Kathleen Doran, Silverwood Drive  
Peggy Prentice, Innisfail Walk

### ST COLMAN'S CEMETERY - NOTICE

I am continuing to have complaints about dogs fouling even on graves. The cemetery is a sacred space, and it deserves due reverence and respect for the parishioners buried there.

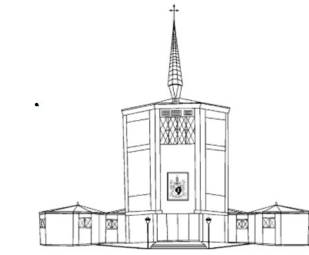
The cemetery is not a public park and people come to pray at their loved ones' graves.

Please be respectful of the resting places of our parishioners.  
Canon Liam Stevenson



### ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street Adoration:  
9am - 9pm



SUNDAY 3 MARCH 2024  
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



### 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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[stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org](mailto: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 if they are to be included in the Bulletin.

### 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.



### ST PATRICK'S WEEKEND CELEBRATIONS

Cantabile Choir and Friends presents a night of Irish music, dance and song.  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March - Ashburn Hotel  
Concert starts at 8pm, doors open at 7.15pm  
Voluntary donations in aid of Mental Health.

### DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024  
at 7:30pm  
in Newry Parish Centre

The Society is delighted to again welcome Una Walsh, renowned local historian, who will speak on "The legacy of Fr Tom in South Armagh: Reflections on the life of Cardinal O'Fiaich. All welcome.



### 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

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### 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

### BAPTISMS



With great joy and thanksgiving we welcome the following children into our parish community who were baptized recently in St Paul's.

**Pádraic Adrian Lavery**  
**Penelope Jackie Margaret McGurran**  
**Enán Lee McAreavey**  
**Rioghán Robert Fox**  
**Faelinn Sean Duffy**  
**Tádhg Ennis McCann**

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

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 25 February 2024 £2,022.89  
Tap to Donate machine January - £252.66  
Thank you for your continued generosity and support to your Parish and your Priests.