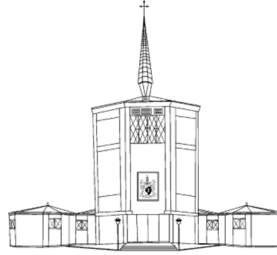


# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

## 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 3 MAY 2026**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY**  
**OF EASTER**

**OUR PARISH CLERGY**  
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### 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](mailto:stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org)

#### Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm

**Requests for Anniversaries and Month's**

**Mind notices should 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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

'He's the life of the party' is a compliment of high regard in certain circles. He's the spark plug, the guarantee for an entertaining evening. If he's not there, a deflated feeling hangs in the air and everybody wonders if there isn't a better way to be spending their time.

A life lived with Jesus is never dull. He is the 'Life' of more than just a party.

The Christian with an intense relationship with Christ is completely fulfilled - she is never bored, nor is she boring.

*epriest.com Intercom Magazine May 2026*

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 26 April 2026 - £2,164.68  
Thank you for your continued generosity to your Parish and your Priests.



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



### 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](mailto: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

### LIFE IN THE SPIRIT Seminar 2026

6.30-7.30pm in St Peter's Parish Hall

#### Jesus sends me his Holy Spirit

**Week 5.** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May – 6<sup>th</sup> week of Eastertide

#### You will receive the Holy Spirit

**Week 6.** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May - 7<sup>th</sup> week of Eastertide

#### Baptism of the Holy Spirit - Holy Mass

Week 7. Wed 27<sup>th</sup> May  
Wednesday after Pentecost

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>

### 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

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### THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION MAY 2026

*That everyone might have food*

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, & to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

### PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO DURING EXAM TIMES A Students Prayers

O Holy St Joseph of Cupertino who prayed at your exams to be asked *only the questions you knew. Pray now that we too may be successful and in return we promise to make your name known and loved.*

*O Holy St Joseph of Cupertino, pray for us.*

During exam times candles, are available at the back of Church, for students, free of charge.

**All the petitions left in the St Carlo Acutis box are being prayed for at all Masses in St Paul's.**



### BAPTISMS

With great joy and thanksgiving we welcome the following child into our parish community who was baptized recently in St Paul's:

**Ruairi Óg Gerard McDonald**

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.

### NEW SUMMER TOURS 2026 BEAUTIFUL BUNDORAN

28 June - 4 day tour ... Great Northern Hotel  
3 nights entertainment, local tours  
£349 pp sharing

Follow us up to

**CARLOW**

5-day tour 17 Aug  
Mount Wolseley Hotel

2 nights entertainment, local tours  
£529 pp sharing

to book call Noel 079 5547 5650  
or Gerard 3832 4741

### MAY ALTARS

In later Medieval times, Mary Gardens, as they came to be called, became popular, especially in Medieval England. England came to be known as Our Lady's dowry! The Medieval gardeners gave the flowers in their gardens names to associate them with Mary. (e.g. Marigold - Mary's Gold). The earliest record of a garden explicitly called a 'Mary Garden' involves a fifteenth century monastic accounting record of the purchase of plants 'for Saint Mary's garden' by the sacristan of Norwich Priory, in England. Post reformation and enlightenment devotions to Our Lady with flowers and thirty day prayers date from Italy in the 17th and 18th Centuries (for example: Ferrara, 1784). May altar devotion was influenced and furthered, by Louis de Montfort, a famous French Marian Saint, in his Treatise on True Devotion to Mary, who, among other things, counted the decoration of Marian altars a chief exercise of Marian devotion.  
[clondalkinparish.com](http://clondalkinparish.com) *Intercom May 2026*

### PADRE PIO PILGRIMAGE

Group pilgrimage accompanied by  
**Fr. Maciej Zacharek**

15<sup>th</sup> June – 20<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

Cost €995 pps.

Contact: Marian Pilgrimages 00353

1 8788159

or Paul Johnstone 00353 86

### PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

14th - 21st August 2026

Flying Direct from Belfast International Airport

Convenient flight times - £850pps 7 nights F/B Avenida Hotel Spiritual Director: Fr Andrew McMahon. For information contact:

Joe Catney: 077 7642 5631

### TAGHNEVAN TODDLERS

Open Monday 10. 30am - 12.30pm  
Birth to school age. All welcome.

### DUSTY BLUEBELL FAIRY FESTIVAL

Lurgan Park, Saturday 2 May 5 -9.00pm  
Music, Markets, Food, Crafts, Storytelling, Folklore, Fairy Trail  
*Tickets £6 in aid of Breast Cancer*



Southern Health and Social Care Trust



### DEMENTIA NAVIGATOR SERVICE

**Free drop-in session for carers, family and friends of people living with dementia or anyone who is concerned about memory issues.**

We are available to talk with you and answer any questions and signpost you to information and resources if needed.

#### Upcoming Dates

- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Time: 10.00am - 12noon  
Banbridge Library. 23 Scarva Road, Banbridge. BT32 3AD.
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Time: 10.00am - 12 Noon.  
Lurgan Library, 1 Carnegie Street, Lurgan. BT66 6AS.

### LURGAN LOURDES FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE THERE WILL BE A CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

After all Masses weekend of  
9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> MAY 2026

Thank you for your continued support

### ENCOUNTER WEEKEND DONEGAL

Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny. 6.00pm - 10.30pm Friday 5th June. 9.00am - 10.30pm. Saturday 6th June. Expect to experience the presence of God through the celebration of the Sacraments, Spirit-led worship, inspiring talks, healing service, and fellowship. Come and be refreshed and empowered by the Holy Spirit and learn from the Saints how to live the lifestyle God intended you to live.

Keynote Speakers: Patrick Reis: cofounder and Executive Director of Encounter Ministries USA & Fr. Patrick Gonyeau who serves with the U.S. Province of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood in Ohio.  
at <https://encounterschoolofministrydonegal.regfox.com/encounterconference-donegal>

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### DROMORE DIOCESE YOUTH COMMITTEE

in partnership with Knock shrine Youth Ministry are offering young people the opportunity to volunteer on their VAKs programme - 26th to 28th June 15/16 years old- and 24th to 26th July 16/17 years old - as a volunteer all are there to welcome pilgrims, guide, help, provide support, help with liturgies, you will be the face of Knock shrine through your willingness and ability to reach out to those in need with a smile.

This is a 3 day experience that offers the opportunity for all to make new friends, volunteer together, have lots of fun and grow in faith.

**All interested are invited with a parent/guardian to a meeting on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 8 pm in St Peters, Lurgan.**

Training is delivered on arrival. If interested email

[FRANCESyouthdirector@dromorediocese.org](mailto:FRANCESyouthdirector@dromorediocese.org)

or phone 028 30833898 for information

### LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGES 2026

#### One Day Retreat

May: Sunday 3rd, Monday 4th, Saturday 9th, Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Saturday 23rd and Monday 25<sup>th</sup>  
**August:** Tuesday 18th, Saturday 22nd, Sunday 23rd, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> and Monday 31<sup>st</sup>

**\*Special Themed Retreat Days**  
*Sunday 17th May - Saint Peregrine*  
*Saturday 5th September - Pioneer National Pilgrimage*  
*Sunday 6th September - Saint Carlo Acutis*

**More dates to follow.**



### 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

**Eleanor McMahon (née Mitchell), Conor Park**

**Brian Sheehy, Knockramer Meadows**

**Joseph Delaney, Moy/Craigavon**

**Catherine Burns, Beechcourt**

**William (Liam) Haddock, Templar Court**

**SATURDAY 2 MAY 2026 10.30AM**

Mary (May) Smyth, Lake Street

Rosaleen Mulholland, Derrymore

Jancie Wright, Church Brae, Derryadd

**SATURDAY 2 MAY 2026 7.00PM VIGIL MASS**

Kathleen McAlinden, Wolfisland Terrace

Ellen and Michael O'Malley, Arthur Street

Eamon McCartan, Lawrencetown

Johnny Mulholland, Ulster Street

Francis Magill, Carrickvale

Virginia King, Downshire Avenue

Phyllis Russell (née Bell), Prospect Way

**SUNDAY 3 MAY 2026 9.00AM**

No Anniversaries

**SUNDAY 3 MAY 2026 10.30AM**

Aloysius Breen, Church Road, Derryadd

John McCluskey, Francis Street

**MONDAY 4 MAY 2026 10.00AM**

Marie Murtagh, Ashwood

Frankie and Colette Lieghio, Belvedere Manor

Elizabeth Lappin, Craigavon

**TUESDAY 5 MAY 2026 10.00AM**

Eugene McConville, Albert Street

**WEDNESDAY 6 MAY 2026 10.00AM**

John Toal, Prospect Way

Jack Lyness, Cypress Gardens

**THURSDAY 7 MAY 2026 10.30AM**

Sheila Shanks, Oakfield Terrace

Peggy McCaughley, Manor Park

**FRIDAY 8 MAY 2026 10.00AM**

Daniel J Harte, Turmoyna

Noel Beeton, Mansefield

Maureen Quinn, Rampart Street/Linen Mews

**SATURDAY 9 MAY 2026 10.30AM**

Ann Creaney, College Grove

Rosaleen Mulholland, Derrymore

Lillian Murray (née McIntyre), Rectory Park

Lawrence Ward, Lough Road

David (Davy) Quinn, Prospect Way

**SATURDAY 9 MAY 2026 7.00 PM VIGIL MASS**

**Fergal Haughian (MM), Manor Park**

Father Pat Towe, South Africa

Sheila McKinstry, Glenholme Avenue

Brendan McKinley, Sugar Island Road, Bleary

**PRAYER TO BLESSED JOHN SULLIVAN SJ**

#### FRIDAY 8 MAY

*Blessed John Sullivan (1861-1933) was the first ever beatification celebrated in Ireland on 13 May 2017 at St Francis Xavier Church, Gardiner St, Dublin.*

*Blessed John Sullivan, patron of the Missing, pray for us.*

*Blessed John Sullivan, man of Prayer, pray for us.*

*Blessed John Sullivan, carer of the Sick, pray for us.*

*Blessed John Sullivan, priest who understood Presence, pray for us.*

*Bishop Denis Nulty*

### PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

**WEEK BEGINNING MON. 11 MAY 2026**

The parish office will be open during the following times week of 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026:

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026 from 10.30am to 12.30pm

The office will re-open on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00am.