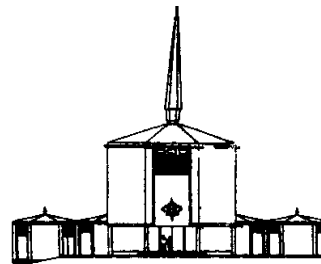


# Bulletin



Second Sunday of Advent ~ 4 December 2016

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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 Thursday of the Month:**  
6.15 pm – 6.50 pm  
**Saturday:**  
11 am – 11.30 am  
& 6.30 pm - 6.50 pm

**Offertory Collection**  
£2,075, thank you.

### Rosary

The Rosary on a Saturday morning, will be said **before Mass, at 10 am.** Everyone welcome.

### Community Outreach Group

invites you to a **Table Quiz Night** and a COG Programme Review. Jethro Centre, Flush Place, Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 8 pm.  
All are invited to test their general knowledge and contribute their views on COG events – past and future.

### Choosing Godparents

Congratulations to all the parents of newborn children in our parish.

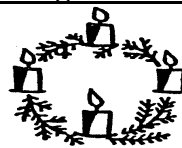
With your baby's best interests at heart, the Church asks you when considering sponsors for your child's baptism to choose a godfather and godmother (one male, one female) who are at least 16 years old and who lead a life of faith. One of the sponsors (called a 'witness') may be a baptised Christian from another church. We look forward to welcoming you.

**Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December**  
*Feast of The Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary*

**Mass Times:**  
Vigil, (Wed), 7.30 pm, 8 am & 10 am

**St. Peter's Church**  
8 am & 10.30 am & 7 pm (Thurs. evening)

### Advent is much more than preparing for Christmas



#### Reason For Hope

The world can be wonderful. It can also be a cold place, causing us to tremble in the shadows of what is wild and wintry. All around us there are contrasts: between those who cheer and those who jeer; between generosity and greed, love and lust, care and uncare, between the magnificent and the mean.

In the dark of December we yearn for hope. Christmas is the true story of hope happening. It is the warming of a weary world, and it began with a birth that seemed like any other. In the silence of night, the infinite became an infant, the Word became flesh.

*The Son of God became human.*

#### Morning Prayer

Divine Office  
Monday & Wednesday 9.40am - 9.50am

#### Knock

**All Night Vigil**  
7&8, Dec. Wed midnight to Thurs morning (See notice board)

**December/January Anniversaries**  
Please leave all anniversaries into the parish office on/before Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> December.

### NOVENA

Mother Of Perpetual Help  
**St. Paul's Church**

**Concludes:**  
Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> December,  
10 am & 7.30 pm  
**St. Peter's Church Novena**  
Concludes: Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December,  
8 am & 7 pm

### St. Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Appeal

The Annual Door Collection will be held at all the Masses next weekend, 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> December. We will also begin our request for food and gift items.

*Thank you for your continuous generosity to the Society.*

### Children's Mass

(Children's Liturgy Group)

Our Nativity Mass will be held on **Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> December, 10.30 am.**

We would love to see all the children dressed to take part in our Nativity Scene, the more shepherds and angels the better.

We will be hosting a small Nativity Play and will be looking for volunteers to take part, please let us know if you would like to be involved.

*Many thanks to all who support our Children's Mass and Merry Christmas.*

### Adoration Chapel

The young people of Lurgan welcome you to join them for an hour of Adoration, music and prayer in the Adoration Chapel, Edward Street, Lurgan.

*The Holy Hour, (Mon. 4<sup>th</sup>) 8 pm – 9 pm, will continue each month on the first Monday.*

### Carol Service Events



**Treble Clef**  
Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> December, 7 pm

**St. Ronan's College**  
Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 7 pm  
St. Peter's Church

**Ceara School**  
Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, 11 am

**St. Francis' School**  
Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, 7 pm

**Cantabile Choir**  
Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> December, 7.45 pm

**St. Paul's Choir**  
Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> December, 7 pm

Everyone welcome.

### Anam Cara Evening

Bereaved Parents of child/ren.  
Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> Dec., 7.30 pm - 9 pm  
Armagh City Hotel.

### Medugorje 2017

(Marian Pilgrimages)  
28<sup>th</sup> May, 7 nights, £579, £80 deposit.  
Departing from Belfast.  
Tel: 07738663937.

### Ozanam Men's Shed

Open Day & Sale  
Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> & Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 10 am – 1 pm.

The Hub, 12 William Street, beside Ozanam Centre.  
Artwork, Woodcraft, Cribs, Wishing Wells, Birdhouses etc.  
Orders taken, tea will be served.

### Southern Area Hospice

invite you to join them at 'Light Up a Life Service' at Craigavon Civic Centre, Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, 12 noon. (In memory of a loved one).

### Clan na Gael CLG

The AGM will take place on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> December, 3 pm in the clubrooms.

### Children's Party

Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> December (details to follow)

### St. Paul's GFC - AGM

Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30 pm in the Social Club.

### Baptism



We welcome in to our **Christian Community**  
John James Livingston  
Silverwood Road,  
Leo James Carragher  
Prospect Way,  
Cara Moira McAleese  
Belvedere Manor,  
Jayden Denis McCartney-Heaney  
Carrickvale Manor,  
Robert Conor Rules  
Union Street,  
Aidan James Hughes  
College Close,  
Our prayers and good wishes is extended to their family and friends.

**St. Anthony's Primary School**  
On the night of 12<sup>th</sup> December, 1991, a bomb exploded outside Brownlow Police Station which ripped apart St. Anthony's School.

On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 25 years after that fateful night we at St. Anthony's will be celebrating all that is wonderful about our school and community.

*This year is a significant one for our Borough; it's actually 50 years since Craigavon was founded.*

Come and enjoy this nostalgic 50 year old journey through digital presentations, video diaries, musical memories, art displays and contemporary artefacts.

Tel: [38341569/pmallon557@c2kni.net](mailto:38341569/pmallon557@c2kni.net)

### Christmas Mass Bouquets



now available in the parish office, £3. ALSO

**Trócaire** Christmas Global Gifts

### Charlene's Project

**6<sup>th</sup> Big Festive Fry**  
Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.30 am – 12 noon  
St. Saviour's Church Hall, Dollingstown.  
(Proceeds to charities in Uganda, Guatemala, Syria)

### Shankill Parish Caring Association

Seniors Project  
**Christmas Tea Dance**  
Tues, 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2 – 4 pm, £2.  
Youth Suite, Jethro Centre.  
Tel: 3832 5673 to secure seat.



### RECENTLY DECEASED

Betty O'Brien, Leansmount Road,  
Dave Luford, Dorset,  
Michael McGarry, Gilpinstown Road,  
Deirdre Muldoon, (Nash) Monbrief Walk,  
Teresa Murtagh, Glenview Drive.

### ANNIVERSARIES SUNDAY 4 DECEMBER

#### Vigil

Elizabeth McCaughley, Ashwood,  
Madeline Doyle, Riverglade,  
Patricia McGarrell, Silverwood Drive,  
James (Seamus) McConville, Thornleigh.

#### 9 am

Annie McCann, Edward Street.

#### 10.30 am

Downey family, Belfast/USA/Southampton.  
Eileen McPherson, Francis Street.

### MONDAY 5 DECEMBER

William & Elizabeth, Leathem, Shankill St

### TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER

Peggy Kingman, Edward Street,  
Madeline Doyle, Riverglade,  
Kitty French, Edward Street,  
Angela Breen, Ulster Street.

### WEDNESDAY 7 DECEMBER

Bill & Lydia Doyle, Brownlow Terrace,  
Ellen Markey, Whitecross,  
Noragh Loughran, Deeny Drive,  
Charlotte McConville, Manor Drive.

### THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER

Patsy Leonard, Filbin Crescent,  
Vera Matthews, Avenue Road,  
Thomas Lynch, Edward Street,  
Roddy Green,  
Pat & Annie McCann, The Wood.

### FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER

Vera McKinsty, Hawthorne Avenue,  
Sean Carter, Oakridge, M.M.,  
Malachy Hogan, Gosselin Drive,  
Austin Toman, Antrim Road.

### SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER

Jane (Jeanie) Quinn, Prospect Way.

### Palliative Care In Your Home

Tel: 028 3885 1911.

### Lurgan Library

Hearing Aid Session  
Wed, 11<sup>th</sup> Jan, '17, 10am -12 noon.  
(No December session)