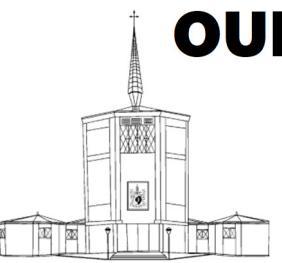


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL OUR PARISH BULLETIN



SUNDAY 4 JANUARY 2026
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER
CHRISTMAS

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

Father Colum Murphy, PP
Telephone: (028) 3832 3161
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Our Parish Deacon: Rev Kevin Devine (028) 3832 3161
Rev Pearse Thornbury (028) 3832 3161



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

**PLEASE HAVE ANNIVERSARIES IN
THE PARISH OFFICE BY 12 NOON if
EACH WEDNESDAY of the week
BEFORE if you want them included
in the Bulletin**

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

ST VINCENT DE PAUL 3832 5725
SAMARITANS 3833 3555
LIFE 3026 7085
ALCOHOLICS ANON 9043 4848
AL-ANON 9068 2368
GAMBLERS ANON 9024 9185
PIPS (Suicide awareness 3831 0151
CRAIGAVON AREA HOSPITAL 3833 4444
ACCORD (marriage preparation and
counselling) 3833 4781
PARISH SAFEGUARDING
REPRESENTATIVE 079 3555 1093



BAPTISMS

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.

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



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

BAPTISMS

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



VISIT THE CRIB

Picture the Holy Family on that first
Christmas night

Say a prayer of thanks for gift of life and
family and friendship

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION JANUARY 2026

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God
be nourishment for our lives and a source of
hope for your communities, helping us to build
a more fraternal and missionary church.

DEFIBRILLATOR



The Defibrillator is housed inside the
yellow box and is location at the bottom of
the ramp adjacent to the Parish Office.

Dial 999 to access the Code to open the
defibrillator box.

The defibrillator was purchased with
donations from

- Lurgan Credit Union
- Knights of Columbanus
- St Vincent DePaul

to whom we are extremely grateful for
their generosity to our Parish.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Our God moves in the quiet, everyday
moments. He pierces our heart, inviting us
to him and quietly waits for our response.

This New Year's let us rest at the manger of
the Divine Infant. Bring your feelings of
weariness and despair to him. Be with the
Lord and let him love you only like he can
love you. Your heart may still be restless,
but the Lord is with you and is drawing you
ever closer to his heart.

In drawing nearer to him, may we surrender
or expectations for this new year and trust in
his plan.

Catholic women in business.com

COMMUNITY URGED TO PROTECT SITE IDENTIFIED FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION CAMPUS IN LURGAN

The Education Authority (EA) and the *Dromore Diocesan Education Trust* are appealing to the local community to help protect the former St Ronan's site on Waring Street/Edward Street, Lurgan, which has been identified for development as a new special education campus.

The site, which is planned to become a dual campus for Ceara Special School, has been identified to address the growing demand for special educational needs (SEN) provision in the area. However, concerns have been raised about potential damage or vandalism that could jeopardise the development timeline.

A planning application has been submitted and subject to sufficient capital funding being secured for the education sector, the first phase of the development is scheduled to open in September 2026. Both EA and the *Dromore Diocesan Education Trust* who own the site, have warned that any damage or anti-social behaviour at the site could delay this important project and prevent vulnerable children from accessing the specialist education they need within their local community.

Father Murphy, *on behalf of the Trust* said:

"This site represents a vital opportunity to enhance SEN provision for children and young people in the Lurgan area. We are appealing to everyone in the community to respect the site and report any concerns about unauthorised access or anti-social behaviour. By working together to protect this facility, we can ensure that our children and young people with special educational needs will benefit from this important development as soon as possible."



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

Liam Harkin, Brett Avenue

James (Jim) Greene, Oakridge

Mark Brady, Portland Manor

Tessie Jordan, Campbell Walk

SATURDAY 3 JANUARY 2026 10.30AM

Alice McCorry, Edward Street

Joan McCann, Ulster Street

Annie Teresa McKenna, Edward Street

Edith Marsden, Francis Street

SATURDAY 3 JANUARY 2026 7.00PM VIGIL

Patrick Thornbury (MM), Ashdene Park

Rose Ann and James McKerr, Grattan Street

Angela Lavery, Killough Gardens

SUNDAY 4 JANUARY 9.00AM

Robert Heaney, Cafolla Gardens

SUNDAY 4 JANUARY 10.30AM

Winifred (Winnie) McMullan, Drumlin Drive

Vera Toman, Elmwood Terrace

Gerry Canavan, Manor Drive

MONDAY 5 JANUARY 10.00AM

Liam Thornbury, Brett Drive

Alice Hatchell, Silverwood Drive

James (Jimmy) Waterson, Moira

Thomas McCann, Silverwood Drive

TUESDAY 6 JANUARY 10.00AM

Margaret and Edward McConville, Thornleigh

Elizabeth and Charles Thornbury, Brown Street

Patsy Magee, Hawthorne Avenue

WEDNESDAY 7 JANUARY 10.00AM

Gerald (Jerry) Magill (MM), Ailsbury Park

James Doran, Taghnevan Drive

Aloysius Jordan, Taghnevan

Danny McIntyre, Silverwood Drive

John Creaney

THURSDAY 8 JANUARY 2026 10.00AM

Daniel McDonald, Edward Street

Kathleen Hill, Templar Court

FRIDAY 9 JANUARY 2026 10.00AM

Eileen, Jimmy and Andrew Loughran, Shankill Street

Eileen Loughran, New Street

Jim and Iris Brady, Parkview Street

Danny Heatley, Mary Street

SATURDAY 10 JANUARY 2026 10.30AM

Annie Haddock, Sloan Street

Kathleen (Kitty) Lavery, Hawthorne Avenue

Basil Hoy, Ashwood

John F Green, Glenholme Park

SATURDAY 3 JANUARY 2026 7.00PM VIGIL

No Anniversaries

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEIR SOULS

O LORD AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM. MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

**MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF
ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH
THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE.**

AMEN

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>

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 21 December 2025 £1,859.46

Sunday 28 December 2025 £2,872.27

Thank you for your continued generosity to
your Parish and your Priests.