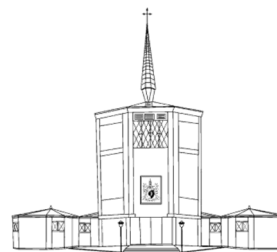


# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL



## 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.

### OUR PARISH CLERGY

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Download App Store or Google Play  
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Two battleships were out at sea in heavy weather on training manoeuvres. It was a dreadful evening and the visibility was very poor. The Captain stayed on the bridge keeping an eye on the activities going on around him. After dark the ship's lookout reported a light that was bearing on the starboard side. 'Is it steady or moving astern?' the Captain asked. 'Steady,' was the reply. The Captain called the signalman, 'Signal that ship. We are on a collision course. Advise you change course 20 degrees'. A signal came back 'Advise you change course 20 degrees.' The Captain sent another signal, 'I'm a Captain. Change course 20 degrees.' A reply came back, 'I'm a seaman 2<sup>nd</sup> class. You had better change course 20 degrees.' The Captain was furious and spat out another message to be signalled, 'I'm a battleship! Change course 20 degrees!' A reply came back, 'I'm a lighthouse!' The Captain changed course 20 degrees.

*Bullies are everywhere - they can refuse to listen, they can shout people down, and they can also be very subtle in making sure that they get their own way. They can walk over people at work, at home, at school and in the community. They are vexation to the spirit, and they can seek to deride and humiliate - we've all met them at some stage in life. But, just like the Captain on the battleship, they are cowards when they eventually meet someone who stands up to them and faces them head on.*

*Christ was never afraid to stand up for what was right in the face of all types of adversity. He openly criticised and challenged those who made life difficult for others, and he preached a beautiful message of equality and compassion. He suggested that rather than power and authority giving us freedom, it is always the truth that sets us free.*

*Nelson Mandela used the following reflection in his inaugural speech in 1994. Mandela was a self-educated prisoner of conscience who was to become South Africa's part in the storm. He was the man who faced all the bullies and won. If we take anything from Mandela or this reflection he chose when he became South Africa's first black president, let it be that we will never ever let anyone bully us, or walk over us in life!*

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.  
Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.  
It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us.  
We ask ourselves, Who am I to be brilliant, Gorgeous, talented and fabulous?  
Actually, who are you not to be?  
You are a child of God  
Your playing small doesn't serve the world.  
There is nothing enlightened about shrinking  
So that other people won't feel insecure around you.  
We were born to manifest  
The glory of God within us. It is not just in some of us, it's in everyone.  
And, as we let our own light shine, We unconsciously give other people  
Permission to do the same.  
As we are liberated from our own fear, Our presence automatically liberates others.

SUNDAY 7 MAY 2023

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### 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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Email:

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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.



### ST PETER'S PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Vigil 6:00pm (Saturday)  
8:00am, 10:00am (po polsku)  
and 12 Noon

Weekdays

Monday to Saturday 8.00am  
Tuesday and Friday 7.00pm  
Saturday 9.30am

#### Saint Peter's Parish Office

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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

### FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

Monday 8 May - Blessed John

Sullivan Priest – was born in Eccles  
Street Dublin on 8 May 1861 and brought up  
in the Christian tradition of his father. He  
converted to Catholicism at the age of 35. He  
was ordained a Priest in 1907.

Tuesday 9 May - As witnesses of the  
Risen One, the apostles and Peter in  
particular remain the foundation stones of his  
Church.

Wednesday 10 May – St Comgall

Abbot and St John of Avila  
St Comgall was born around 516 in Co  
Antrim. He was persuaded to become a priest  
and then established a monastery at Bangor  
around 555-8, which attracted people like  
Columbanus. He died at Pentecost 602 or  
605 following a long illness.

St John of Avila, Priest honoured as apostle  
of Andalusia, renowned for his preaching and  
his quest for the renewal of Christian life.

Thursday 11 May - Jesus loves his  
disciples with that same gift of love with  
which the Father loves him. Genuine love  
means attending to the needs and  
weaknesses of others.

Friday 12 May SS Nereus and  
Achilleus: were martyred in 304 under  
Diocletian. They were roman soldiers who, on  
conversion, refused further military service.

Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of  
Fatima – The apparitions to the three  
children of Fatimas took place in the summer  
of 1917, beginning on 13 May when the  
'Lady' asked them to pray for sinners and an  
end f the World War. In the final apparition on  
13 October the 'Lady' identified herself as  
Our Lady of the Rosary and called for prayer  
and conversion.

### A PRAYER FOR MAY



May you be happy  
May you stay healthy  
May you feel safe  
May you find comfort  
May you sense peace  
May you give love  
May you possess courage  
May you have faith  
May you spread joy  
May you be kind.

### SOUTHERN AREA HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING

Thanks to everyone who supported the  
coffee morning for Southern Area Hospice  
at St Peter's Parish Hall which raised  
£1,855.00.

### MARY'S MEALS – PRAY IN MAY

During May, the month dedicated to Our  
Lady, Mary's Meals invites you to pray for  
its life-changing work, carried out in her  
name. We currently provide nutritious  
daily school meals to 2.4 million children  
in 18 of the world's poorest countries.  
These meals bring children into the  
classroom, where they can gain an  
education and hope of a better future.  
Could you commit to praying each day of  
May for the children receiving Mary's  
Meals, the volunteers and all who support  
this work and those children still waiting?  
Further information and prayer resources  
for individuals, groups and schools can  
be found at  
[www.marymeals.org.uk/prayinmay](http://www.marymeals.org.uk/prayinmay)

### LURGAN HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

Every Thursday at 7.30pm in St  
Peter's Parish Hall.  
All welcome

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023 £1,961.51  
Thank you for your continued  
generosity and support of your parish  
and your priests.

## Congratulations!

**Comhghairdeachas** ar an ócáid shona  
seo do na buachaillí agus cailíní uilig ó  
Bhunscoil Naomh Proinsias a rinn a  
gCéad Chomaoineach Naofa Dé  
Laoine, 5ú Bealtaine.  
**Congratulations on this happy occasion  
to all the boys and girls from Bunscoil  
Naomh Proinsias who received their  
first Holy Communion on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May.**



### ADORATION CHAPEL EDWARD STREET

ADORATION  
9.00AM TO 7.00PM daily  
Our Lady of Fatima and Family  
Devotion prayers  
Saturday, 13 May 2023  
at 7 - 8pm.  
All Welcome



### BAPTISMS

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

Veronica Szlachta  
Frank Szlachta

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.

### SYMPATHY, MASS BOUQUET AND MASS FOR YOUR INTENTION CARDS

Due to enquires a range of unsigned  
'Sympathy, Mass Bouquets and A Mass  
for your Intentions Cards'  
are now available from the  
Sacristy/Parish Office

### FOOD BANK

The door to the parish office area will be open  
daily from 9am until 12 Noon Monday to Friday  
for non-perishable food and essential non-food  
items such as toiletries and hygiene products to  
be dropped off.



### 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

Joe McIluff, Templar Court/North Street  
Sheila O'Neill, formerly Cornakinnegar Road  
Joseph (Joe) Campbell, Desmond Avenue  
Maria Ernestina Perez, Venezuela  
Roy McSherry, formerly Ennis Green  
Colette Lieghio, Belvedere Manor

### MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

#### SATURDAY 6 MAY 7.00PM VIGIL MASS

Jennifer McGeown (MM), Collingdale  
Kathleen McAlinden, Wolfisland Terrace  
Sheila McKinstry, Glenholme Avenue  
Rev Father Pat Towe, South Africa  
Don Connolly, Craigavon

#### SUNDAY 7 MAY 9.00AM MASS

Ernesto Villarico. Philippines  
Brian Murray, Hill Street

#### SUNDAY 7 MAY 10.30AM MASS

John McAlinden, Cranny Terrace, Bleary  
Aloysius Breen, Church Road, Derryadd  
Brendan McCartan, Craigavon  
Alice Martin, Francis Street

#### MONDAY 8 MAY 10.00AM

Clara and Jane Conlon, Laurencetown  
Daniel J Harte, Turmoyra  
Peter Conlon, Dungannon

#### TUESDAY 9 MAY 10.00AM

Ann Creaney, Colledge Grove  
Rosaleen Mulholland, Derrymore  
Laurence Ward, Lough Road  
James McAtasney, Silverwood Drive  
David (Davy) Quinn, Prospect Way  
Raymond Clarke, Beechcourt

#### WEDNESDAY 10 MAY 10.00AM

**Ryan Patrick McConville (MM) William Street**  
Mary Scullion, William Street/Silverwood  
Jim Leathem, Silverwood Drive  
Mary Toland, Maple Court

#### THURSDAY 11 MAY 10.00AM

Barry Smyth, Shankill Street  
Barney McCaffrey, Beaumont Square  
Terry Magee, Ailsbury Park  
Jim and Bridie Venard, Donnelly Gardens

#### FRIDAY 12 MAY 10.00AM

**Benedict Lavery (MM), Oakfield Terrace**

#### SATURDAY 13 MAY 10.30AM

Joe McCann, Beechcourt

#### SATURDAY 13 MAY 7.00PM VIGIL MASS

George Davidson, Portadown

### ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O, LORD

### PRAYER FOR DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

*Almighty Father, source of forgiveness and  
salvation, grant that our relatives and friends who  
have passed from this life may, through the  
intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all the  
saints, come to share your Eternal happiness  
through Christ Our Lord, Amen!*