

St. Peter’s Parish, Shankill

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24th AUGUST 2025 – TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BULLETIN



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Or email safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org
Parish Safeguarding Representative –Tel. 0756 329 3431
St Vincent De Paul -Ozanam Centre 3832 5725. Volunteers need. Please give your time.

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8am, 10am, (po polsku) & 12.00 noon
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8am
Tuesday & Friday 8am & 7pm

ST PAUL’S CHURCH
Sunday: 9am & 10.30am
Monday–Friday: 10am
Saturday: 10.30 am & 7pm (Vigil)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
with Fr Jozef
Friday 6.00pm - 6.45pm

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
17th August – £3466.51
Plus, Standing Orders £320.90 weekly
Donations – £30 loose
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



Holy Baptism

We welcome the following children into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism

ÉABHA BURROWS,
DRUMNAMOE AVENUE

CHLOE FARINOLA,
FOXWOOD HALL

SHANE STEVENSON,
LURGANTARRY

Our prayers and good wishes are extended to their families.

All parents wishing to have a child baptised in St Peter’s Parish, must notify the Parish Office in person.
One month’s notice is required.

Baptisms take place on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month @ 1.00pm

MUSIC MINISTRY IN ST PETER’S CHURCH
In addition to our amazing choirs who sing during every liturgy throughout the year, this is a special appeal to all instrumental musicians.
If you are a student, who plays a musical instrument or if you have played an instrument in the past and would like to play in an instrumental ensemble for special liturgies, this is an opportunity to add a very special dimension to Music Liturgy in St Peter’s Church.
All instruments are welcome – string, woodwind, brass, guitar, drum kit etc...
If you are interested, please email Michelle, our Organist and Choral/Music Director in St Peter’s, giving your name and instrument.
michellegharte@yahoo.com

Psalm 150:vs 3-5
*'Praise him with the trumpet sound,
Praise him with the lute and harp!
Praise him with the trombone, praise him with strings and pipe!'*



PARISH OFFICE
Will be closed tomorrow, Monday 24th August for the Bank Holiday and will re-open on Tuesday 25th, 10am



A meeting for all Ministers of the Word (readers) from St Peter’s and St Paul’s Church will take place on Wednesday 27 August 2025 in St Peter’s Parish Hall at 7.00pm
Refreshments will follow after the meeting.

CHARISMATIC RENEWAL
Meets on the first and last Thursdays of every month in the ‘Upper Room’ above the Sacristy in St. Peter’s.
Prayer Group – worship, prayer and intercession –
Thurs 28 Aug, 7.00pm
Bible Study – *The Road to Emmaus: Then and Now* –
Thurs 4 Sept, 7.00pm
Bring your Bible & Rosary.
‘Our hearts burned within us while He opened the Scriptures to us!’

GAZA
On this day the Church asks us to pray for the people of Gaza and so we would ask that parishioners who wish to offer their own prayers for those suffering at this time might pay a visit to the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration chapel on Edward Street.
The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed there at 3:00 and there will be Benediction at 6:00.

Walk the Cross Eucharistic Procession.
Sunday, 14th Sept 2025.
Procession starts 4.00pm from St Michael’s Church, Finaghy to St Peter’s Cathedral, Belfast.
Followed by Holy Mass, Benediction and Anointing of the Sick.
Please come and unite your heart to the Eucharistic heartbeat of Christ, as Heaven blesses Belfast.
Bus leaving Lurgan at 2.45pm.
Returning 8pm.
Fare (£13) to be paid in full by 1st Sept please. Book your seat on the bus through Sarah 077 064 23736.

PRAYER OF ST MONICA
(Mother of St Augustine)
Feast Day 27 August
St Monica is the patron saint of Mothers, troubled children and perseverance. Her life teaches that no soul is beyond the reach of prayer.
Prayer for Her Son’s conversion
‘Nothing is far from God, and I need not fear that He will not know where to find my son.’
On Perseverance in Prayer
‘The child of so many tears shall never perish.’ (A bishop’s reassurance to Monica about Augustine, which became a testament to her faithful intercession.)
Her dying words to Augustine.
‘Bury my body wherever you will... Only one thing I ask of you: Remember me at the altar of the Lord,’ (Her humble request, emphasising her lifelong devotion to the Eucharist.)

BIGGEST COUNTRY MUSIC SHOW TO HIT LURGAN
Wednesday 1st October in The Ashburn Hotel.
Acts include Tony Allen, Hugo Duncan, Boxcar Brian, Kevin Kearney, Liz Cairns, Katie McParland, Jonny Brooks, Gene Fitzpatrick, Kenny Archer, James Rodgers, Geri Kane, Chrissy Mac, Amber Campbell, Clodagh Cooper, Jorden McPoland, William George, Country Harmony & Compere Sean Wallace.
Tickets £13 from The Ashburn Hotel/Colleens Kitchen
In memory of Josie McKenna.
All proceeds in Aid of the Mandeville Unit, Craigavon Area Hospital

ST PATRICK’S DAY IN LONDON
Sun 15 March - Wed 18 March
return flights inc baggage
return coach Lurgan to Airport
3 nts B&B in
3* St Giles Hotel (Oxford St/Theatreland) £379
price based on 2 sharing
deposit of £30pp
required by 26 August to secure your seat.

GLENEAGLES TOUR
Our popular tour to Killarney is back
depart 24 Nov
5day tour
full entertainment
£399 ss £40
Call: Noel 079 5547 5650
Gerard 3832 4741

ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO –
Feast Day 28 August
Five propound quotes from St Augustine (354-430), one of the greatest theologians and philosophers of the early Church: his writings, especially *Confessions of the City of God*, are filled with deep spiritual insights.

1. ‘You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You.’
2. ‘To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him, the greatest human achievement.’
3. ‘Love, and do what you will. For if you love, you will do no evil.’
4. ‘Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe.’
5. ‘Late have I loved You, O Beauty ever ancient, ever new! Late have I loved You!’

MEN’S JUBLIEE CAMINO
Men’s hike - Sat Sept 13th
20kms, on greenway, from Dominican abbey (ruin) in Carlingford to Newry (St Catherine’s) via Newry Cathedral (Jubilee Indulgence). Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions & Fraternity. Registration & details on www.dominicans.ie/events/ .
€70 (Lunch, dinner & bus), over 18’s male event. Enquiries to op.evangelisation@gmail.com.


Enrolment for the next season of all Irish classes will take place in Gaelic League premises on Monday 1st September @7.-8.30. All welcome.

Could we ask that if anyone has any old photos or literature/stories connected with the Gaelic League down the years we would be most interested in seeing same - as we are in the process of compiling a history on our 50th anniversary in Lurgan.

St Peter’s Parish now accepts ONLINE DONATIONS
Just scan the QR code with your phone camera to donate.



Or visit <https://donate.mydona.com/st-peters-parish-lurgan>.



RECENTLY DECEASED
Eleanor Dolores McGibbon, Killough Gardens

MONTH’S MIND
Sunday 24th August
Conan Duffy, Edward Street
Friday 29th August
Christopher Gribbon, Ennistarry
Clare McCallum nee Devlin, Belfast/Moylinn
Saturday 30th August
Eamon Keegan, Filbin Crescent

ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 24th August
Philomena McIlkenny, Waring Street
Betty McGeown, Melbourne, Australia
Monday 25th August
Marie Seeley nee Shine, Desmond Avenue
Edward & Elizabeth (Lily) Breen, Edward Street
Ted Cusack, Portadown
Edward Manning, Co Westmeath
Tuesday 26th August
Lily McCorry, Antrim Road
Wednesday 27th August
Joseph (Joe) Heaney, North Street
Gary McCaughley, Victoria Gardens
Elizabeth Brady, Lake Steet
Thomas Dummigan, Clara Street
Shirley Magennis nee Creaney, Lake St/Church Wlk
Thursday 28th August
Annette Williamson, Church Walk
Sr Rose Mulligan, Arva, Co Cavan
Mamie McAreavey, Filbin Crescent
Stephen Totton, Ashgrove Park
Winnie Heaney, Kilwilke Road
Peggy Marley, Portadown
Friday 29th August
Phyliss Lavery, Mary Street
Philomena Leathem, Rectory Park
Fr Jim Kerr, North Street
Saturday 30th August
Frank Creaney, Kilmaine Street
Tony McColgan, Ballyshannon
Peggy Irwin, New Jersey
Eternal rest grant on to them O Lord

Requests for Anniversaries and Month’s Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon on the Wednesday of the week before if they are to be included in the Bulletin. The minimum diocesan stipend is £10. As we have a booking system, anniversaries can be booked in advance till the end of the year. *Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church*

PARISH ENVELOPES
Some envelopes have still not been lifted from the Parish Office and some people are using old envelopes, some from 2-3 years ago. **Please note that apart from the first few numbers your envelope number changes every year and if you are using old envelopes that number no longer exists against your name and address.** Therefore, can we ask that you please call in and pick up your new 2025/26 box. *Thank you for your co-operation.*