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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8am, 10am, (po polsku) & 12.00 noon
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8am
Tuesday 8am & 7pm
Friday 8am & 7pm Communion Service
ST PAUL'S CHURCH
Sunday: 9am & 10.30am,
Monday-Friday: 10am
Saturday: 10.30 am & 7pm (Vigil)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
5th September - £2779.40
Our sincerest thanks to all our parishioners who have forwarded their offertory promise envelopes every week during this pandemic

 **Baptism**
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.

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 @ 1.30pm


The Season of Creation will be celebrated from 1st September - 4th October. It is an opportunity to give thanks to God for the gift of creation, to explore with parishioners the rich content of *Laudato Si'* and decide on what actions should be taken locally to care for our common home.
The theme for the Season of Creation this year is "A Home for All: Restoring Our Common Home".
After the Season of Creation there will be a meeting in October of world leaders in China for a UN Biodiversity Conference (known as COP 15) and another UN meeting on Climate Change in November of world leaders in Scotland on (known as COP 26).
In preparation for these UN meetings there will be a petition known as the **Healthy Planet, Healthy People Petition** available at <http://healthyplanetandpeople.org/> for dioceses, parishes, and individuals to sign. It is envisaged that this petition with signatures will be presented by Pope Francis to the Presidents of these upcoming UN conferences.

When we cannot attend Mass, we can still make an Act of Spiritual Communion, in which we express our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist and ask Him to unite Himself with us. The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith; an Act of Love; a desire to receive Christ; and an invitation to Him to come into your heart.
*My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.*

CHRISTMAS OUTING 2021
Glad to say that our 'Annual Christmas Fun Day' trip to Dublin this year is on Saturday 4th December with a 3 course Christmas dinner in the Canal Court Hotel - **£30**


To book your place please contact Gerard 3832 4741 or Noel 079 5547 5650

ACCORD MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES
Planning to get married in 2022/2023?
Book your pre-marriage course in your choice of venue at www.accord.ie, or contact ACCORD, Newry Parish Centre, The Mall, Newry BT34 1AN 028 3026 3577
newry@accordni.com

Our Lady of Sorrows on 15th September
Reflect upon the Seven Sorrows of Mary
1. The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34-35)
2. The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-21)
3. The Loss of Jesus for Three Days (Luke 2:41-50)
4. The Carrying of the Cross (John 19:17)
5. The Crucifixion of Jesus (John 19:18-30)
6. Jesus Taken Down from the Cross (John 19:39-40)
7. Jesus Laid in the Tomb (John 19:39-42)

ST TERESA'S PS - 60th Anniversary Dinner Dance
23 October 2021 in the Woodville Arms
Tickets (£30pp) available from the school office - email lmccartan450@c2kni.net or any member of Friends of St Teresa's

EUROPEAN HERITAGE OPEN DAY'S
A guided tour of the Dougher Graveyard will be delivered by Jim Conway, today Sunday 12th, @ 5.30pm

ADORATION CHAPEL
Edward Street Private Prayer Only Adoration 9am - 7pm

'Come to adoration and know that you are loved, each encounter holds a precious gift just for you from God above'

Tea Dance in St Anthony's
on Thursday Night 16th September from 8.00pm to 10.30pm for the 50+ Age Group. Admission is £3 which includes supper

St Paul's Food Bank
The door to the parish office area over at St Paul's will be open daily from **9am until 12 Noon Monday to Friday** for all donations. Your generosity and support is very much appreciated. Thank You

A PRAYER FOR AFGHANISTAN
For those who are fleeing: Sanctuary
For those who are staying: Safety
For those who are fighting: Peace
For those whose hearts are breaking: Comfort
For those who see no future: Hope

A Prayer for the Synodal Pathway
Lord of all hopefulness, as we embark on this journey together, may we listen and discern and be guided by the Holy Spirit, who constantly breathes new life into our world, our hearts, our families, homes and parishes.
May renewal and reform, fresh hope and healing come for all people of God in Ireland. By virtue of our baptism may we each play our part in transforming the church through a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit which is your gift and promise, upon our land.
Grant us the encouragement we need to bring faith, hope and love in abundance to meet the challenges before us and to fulfil the Church's mission of proclaiming to the world, God's love and salvation in Jesus Christ.
A Mhuire Mháthair, mother of the Church, guard and guide us on our pilgrim way. Amen.

Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
1. 'Who do you say that I am?' Imagine Jesus putting this question to you. How would you answer it? How would you answer it, not in words taken from a catechism or textbook, but from your own experience of the significance of Jesus in your life? What does Jesus mean to you? What does his gospel message mean to you?
2. Jesus went on to teach his disciples, that following him would be hard at times. There would be a price to pay. Perhaps you also have found that imitating the love and compassion of Jesus is not an easy road? Nor does it come easy to have the constant trust in God that Jesus had. Yet Jesus tells us that this is the way to life. Would you agree?
3. There is a natural human tendency to shy away from what is painful or difficult. Yet if that is our standard pattern of behaviour, we will not get far in reaching our potential. We will never find who we are capable of being. When have you found it worthwhile to face difficulties, persevere, 'carry your cross' for a while to achieve some goal that was important to you?


RECENTLY DECEASED
Robin Smyth, Oakridge
Kevin Maye, Manor Drive
Hugh Campbell, Derrymacash

ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 12th September
James Fox, Shankill St.
Desmond (Dessie) McVeigh, Portland Manor
Peter Harte, Tullydagan
May Farquhar, Kilwilke Road
Eilish Donaghy, Lough Road
Francis Carville, Oakleigh Manor
Albert Lavery, Antrim Road
Eleanor Breen, Ashgrove Park
Gertrude Rice, Blair Drive
Joseph McAlernon, Tullydagan

Monday 13th September
Francis Lavery, Grattan St.
Elizabeth Lavery, Shore Road
Jim Hanratty, Allenhill Park

Tuesday 14th September
Sean Scullion, Castor Bay Road
Angela French, Windsor Avenue
Paul Haughey, Antrim Road
Don Lavery, Sloan St
Alice Gallagher, O'Neill's Terrace
Gerald Cabrey, Albert Avenue

Wednesday 15th September
Jean & Arthur Thompson, Taghnevan Close
Laurence McGeown, Kilmaine St
Paul McAlinden, Lake St
Patrick Casey, Lower North Street
Charles McVeigh, Derrymore Road

Thursday 16th September
John & Rose Blaney, Prestwick, Scotland
Kathleen Hughes, North Street
Rosemary McEnoy, Soye Gardens

Friday 17th September
Tom Lappin, Carrigart
Bridie McCorry, Lough Road
John & Mary McGeown, Shankill St
Joseph Toman, Hillcourt

Saturday 18th September
Mary Smith, Craigavon
Hugh Campbell, Kilmaine St/Oakleigh Fold
Sarah Jane (Ciss) Cafolla, Francis St
Celine McConville, Kilmaine St
Mary Carbery, Kilwilke Road

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 until the end of the year. Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church