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# BULLETIN


2<sup>nd</sup> August 2020 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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**MASS SCHEDULE**  
Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 8am, 10am, (po polsku) & 12.15pm  
  
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)

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July - £4895.99  
Donations – £180  
Mite Boxes – £202.90  
Car Park – £305.50 (closed for 2 days)  
*Thank you for your continued support and generosity*

  
*We welcome the following children into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism*  
  
**Lir Conor & Rua Ann McEvoy,**  
Forest Glade  
  
**Kit Francis Beatty,**  
North Circular Road  
  
**Daisy Catherine Campbell,**  
Kiln Avenue  
  
**Layton Finbar Graham,**  
Kilvoragh Park  
  
**Sadhbh May Doyle, Lisnisky Lodge**  
  
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 @ 2.00pm

**NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES**  
The numbers attending Mass have been well below our capacity level. We now propose to have six areas designated to specific dates and times. The advice to ring the parish office to request a place at Mass did not work, so that plan is now abolished. A family in a specific area may now attend their designated Mass. The Archbishop continues to extend the dispensation from attending Sunday Mass at this time and attendance at a weekday Mass will fulfil the Sunday obligation. Therefore, please, if possible, think of attending a weekday Mass. This would greatly reduce the expected congregation at the Sunday Masses.

- DESIGNATED AREAS**
- A. Antrim Road, Cornakinnegar Road, Belvedere, Kilmore Road, Castor Bay Road, Freecrow, including North Street, Wellington Street, Church Walk & Windsor Avenue and surrounding roads
  - B. Lake St/Shore Road, Allenhill, Tannaghmore to Deering's Wood & Kilwilke
  - C. Victoria Street, Lough Road (right hand side), Annesborough, Kinnego and surroundings roads
  - D. North Circular Road from roundabout to Soye Crescent, to include all in the Lavery's development.
  - E. North Circular Road, from Cornakinnegar Road to Soye Crescent, to include Portland Manor, Rosemount, Kilvoragh Park, Lurgantarry an
  - F. Tarry Drive
  - G. Woodville development.


- DESIGNATED MASSES**
- A. 6.00pm Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Aug
  - B. 8.00am Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Aug
  - C. 12.15pm Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Aug
  - D. 6.00pm Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Aug
  - E. 8.00am Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Aug
  - F. 12.15pm Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Aug

**PLEASE NOTE**  
From Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August the 12.15pm Mass will thereafter change to 12.00 noon.  
Baptisms will then take place afterwards at **1.30pm**

On Being Without the Mass  
'... to my great sorrow, for five days I was not able to offer the holy sacrifice, the biggest privation of the whole campaign. One good result at least came from this trial: it showed me in a way I never realised before, what a help daily Mass is in one's life.'  
*Fr Willie Doyle SJ  
From the front line of the Battle of the Somme, September 1916*

**A Prayer of St John Vianney, 4 August**  
I love You, O my God, and my only desire is to love You until the last breath of my life. I love You, O my infinitely lovable God, and I would rather die loving You, than live without loving You. I love You, Lord and the only grace I ask is to love You eternally. My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love You, I want my heart to repeat it to You as often as I draw breath.

**ST COLMAN'S CEMETERY**  
I am continuing to have complaints about  
1. Dogs fouling even on graves.  
2. Anti-social behaviour.  
The cemetery is a sacred space and it deserves due reverence and respect for the parishioners buried there. The cemetery is not a public park and people come to pray at their loved ones' graves. Please be respectful of the resting places of our parishioners.  
*Liam Stevenson P.P.*

  
**PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS**  
Bless my grandparents, Lord. Thank you for all they have done for us. For giving us our parents and for their wisdom and love. Keep them strong in mind and body so that they will be with us to help us and guide us for many years to come. Amen.

**Mary's Meals "Step by Step to Feed the Next Child"**  
Sponsored walk is taking place between the 31st July and the 15th August. It starts in five different locations throughout Ireland and finishes in Knock on 15th August. One of our Northern sections starts at St Paul's Lurgan on Thurs. 6th Aug. Lurgan - Armagh (8.30am - 4pm). For the full schedule and registration details visit <https://sbs4marysmeals.ie/home/walks/>. All welcome to participate! If not walking, then watch out for our walkers and their blue collection buckets and support our campaign to feed the next hungry child.

*Dear Lord, it has been the strangest of times. We are told to get used to a 'new normal', that life will no longer be as we knew it. Yet, You Lord are all powerful and all knowing. You are unchanged. Your loving presence has never wavered. Thank you, Lord. Safe in this knowledge, I can face the new day and whatever it brings*

**Pope's Intention for August**  
We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

**Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel Matthew 13:24-43**  
1. The news of the death of John the Baptist prompted Jesus to go off and be alone, but the crowds followed him. Despite his personal sorrow, he was able to reach out in compassion to the crowd. Perhaps there have been times when you have put personal preferences and desires to one side, in order to reach out to another. What was it like for you when you were able to do this?  
2. When Jesus saw the crowd, he recognised their need and responded to them. Who has been a Jesus-person for you, someone who recognised your need and reached out to you? For whom have you been a Jesus-person?  
3. The scene symbolises the Eucharist, reminding us of the sacred meal to which all believers are invited, in order to receive nourishment from the Lord. How has the Eucharist been a source of nourishment for you?  
4. When the disciples became aware of the problem, they wanted to send the crowd away, but Jesus told them: 'You give them something to eat.' They thought what they had was insufficient, but Jesus used the little they had to feed the crowd. When we give the little we have to a situation, the results are often beyond our expectations. Have you had this experience?

**Thanksgiving Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020.**  
£499.00 per person sharing. Price includes return bus transfer to Knock, 3 nights' in 4 star Park Hotel with Full Board. All entertainment and excursions. Wheelchair accessible rooms. Single supplement £90.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com). Knock is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

**ADORATION CHAPEL**  
Edward Street  
Adoration 9am – 7pm

**FOOD BANK**  
The Food Bank in St Paul's is open again for donations. Items may be left at the parish office Monday –Friday, 11.00am – 12.15pm  
*Thank you for your support*



**RECENTLY DECEASED**  
Gary McConaghy, Downshire Avenue  
Kathleen McAlinden, Cornakinnegar Road

**ANNIVERSARIES**  
**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**  
Rita Geary, Clara Street  
Gerry McAleron, Oakleigh Fold  
Jack Creaney, North Street  
Thomas Hesketh, Brownlow Terrace  
Danny & Raymond Vauls, England

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**  
Hugh Brady, Manor Park/Beech Court  
Sarah Crossey, Grattan Steet  
Baby Olivia O'Hare, Ashgrove Crescent  
Imelda McGowan, Furlong Avenue  
John Burns, Wellington Street  
Michael (Mick) McCaughley, Shore Road

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August**  
Jimmy Kerr, North Street  
Eilish Bunting, Levin Road  
Dermot Mitchell, Donnelly Gardens  
Josephine McCabe, Shore Road

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August**  
Patrick Kelly, Edward Street  
Lily McAreavey, Ennis Close  
Paul Cairns, Bleary  
Joe & Mary Bannon, Belfast

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August**  
Malachy O'Hagan, Mary Street  
Patrick & Sarah McGarvey, Ballygawley

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August**  
Kieran McDonald, Lake Street  
Thomas McConaghy, Shore Road  
Alice McGeown, Kilmaine Street  
Paula Haughey, nee McDonald

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> August**  
Gertrude Creaney, Tannaghmore North  
Barry McDonald, Hill Street  
Sheila Mulholland, Taghnevan Close  
Declan Haughey, Antrim Road  
Jim Blaney, Oakleigh Fold  
Jim Murray, Grattan Street  
Kathleen Bunting, Elmwood Close

*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*

**PLEASE NOTE**  
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 £7.50. As we have a booking system anniversaries can be booked in advance up until the end of the year Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church**