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BULLETIN

2nd MAY 2021- FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER




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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)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
25th April - £2983.31
Donation Box - £40 loose
Our sincerest thanks to all our parishioners who have forwarded their offertory promise envelopes every week during this lockdown
Thank you for your continued generosity to your Parish and to your Priests.

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

'God loves those to whom He can give more, those who expect more from Him, those who are open, those who sense their need and rely on Him for everything'

 **Baptism**
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.
At the moment, only parents, godparents & baby can attend
Baptisms take place on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month @ 1.30pm

CHURCH FEASTS CELEBRATING THE MOTHER-TONGUE OF GOD'S LOVE
The month of May celebrates the great feasts of Ascension, Pentecost, and the Holy Trinity. Here we can celebrate our new life in the risen Christ. We are called as God's people. We are guided by the Holy Spirit who will teach us everything, to usher in a new era for our world and our Church.

Whatever wilderness the Spirit has brought you to: walk in boldness, as a beloved child of God; walk in peace under the protective presence of God's love, walk in faith, hope, and love, knowing that Christ walks with you.

Pope Francis invites Catholics and Marian Shrines around the world to dedicate the month of May to a marathon of prayer for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic.
Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the Marian month of May to praying for an end to the pandemic. The initiative, behind which the Pope has thrown his support, involves 30 Marian Shrines from various parts of the world. The Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization announced the news with a press release on Wednesday afternoon. It takes place under the theme "The whole Church was fervently praying to God," which recalls a verse in the Book of Acts (12:5).
Prayer initiative
"The initiative will involve all the Shrines of the world in a special way, so that they might encourage the faithful, families, and communities to recite the Rosary to pray for an end to the pandemic." **Pope Francis will open the Marian month of prayer on 1 May with a Rosary broadcast across Vatican Media platforms. Each day will see Vatican News broadcast the recitation of the Rosary at 6 PM Rome time from the various Shines taking part in the initiative.**
The Pope will also close the initiative on 31 May with another specially-broadcast Rosary.
End to the pandemic
This year's dedication of May to pandemic-related prayer recalls a similar occurrence during the first wave in March 2020. Pope Francis led the world in prayer during that confusing and difficult time, celebrating a live-streamed, daily Mass in the Casa Santa Marta. After more than a year, and with the world still in the grips of the pandemic, the Pope and the Church around the world are once again leading the way in imploring God for an end to the suffering which so many people are forced to bear.

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS
Universal – the world of finance:
Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

EXAM PRAYER
Dear Lord, as I take these exams, I thank you that my life is enfolded in the embrace of your great love for me. Help me with all the testing challenges of life that will come my way. Holy Spirit, guide me with the gifts of Wisdom, Knowledge, Understanding and Right Judgement. Holy Mary, pray for us all our young people. May they know the touch of your loving caress

MARRIAGES AND FUNERALS
The numbers now permitted to attend weddings and funerals is to be informed by a risk assessment for the venue – up to approx 120 for St Peter's

Pre- and post-funeral and wedding gatherings are not permitted.

All of our current mitigation measures will also continue to apply: - [face coverings](#) (to be worn at all times by everyone within church buildings), hand-sanitizing and social distancing, etc.

Mary's Meals Fundraising Walk
Lurgan/Portadown Mary's Meals Group are holding their first event- a relay walk on Mon 3rd of May at the Craigavon Lakes. Funds raised will go towards the Ethiopia Crisis Appeal.
The event will run from 8am-8pm. Walkers are encouraged to sign up for a time and walk in their family bubbles. For further details and to book a slot contact Seamus Mallon on 079 7435 6381

PARISH OFFICE

Will be closed on Monday 3rd May for the Bank Holiday and re-open on Tuesday 4th May at 10.00am

'THE WEST'S AWAKE TOUR'
This tour is now full
'A CHRISTMAS CRACKER WEEK'
At the Gleneagles Hotel. Killarney 15 – 19 November (Another great week of fun & music)
To book ring Noel 079 5547 5650 or Gerard 075 1501 7316

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.

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Monday 10th May 2021:
@7:30pm The Society will host an online lecture by Larry Breen entitled "Wolfe-Tone - family man"
Larry Breen, originally from Lurgan, is editor of the Journal of the Federation of Local History Societies, and resident in Co. Kildare.
Access to the event will be available from 7:20pm with a start at 7:30pm sharp. A link to the talk can be obtained by e-mailing the Hon Secretary goss.ijm@gmail.com and will be forwarded on Monday May 10th

The Society's is pleased to announce that its Journal Seanchas Dhroim Mor 2020 is now on sale price £10 or £15 to include p&p
Seanchas Dhroim Mor 2020 includes articles on:
Dr Patrick Donnelly 1649-1719 Bishop of Dromore and "Bard of Armagh"
The Story of the Sisters of Mercy, Lurgan
Columbans from the Diocese of Dromore
Edward Mulhern, Lord Bishop of Dromore 1916-1943
The Grinan Crosses, Clonlea Graveyard & the Mooney family
The Function of Art: The Great Depression, Papal Encyclicals, and Editorial Cartoons
Newry streets in the 1911Census; (an online study in time of Covid)
Hon. Sec Annual reports 2017/2018.
Please contact any of the following to purchase a copy:
Jim Conway, Lurgan- 07808052246 (after 6pm) or jimbo.conway@hotmail.co.uk
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RECENTLY DECEASED
Loretta Campbell, St Paul's Place
Geraldine Leathem, Portadown Road
Mena McAlinden, Portadown Road
Monica Forker, Allenhill Park
Noel O'Neill, Tullydagan Road
Elizabeth Linden nee Ferris, Canada/Lurgan

MONTH'S MIND
Sunday 2nd May
Andrew Lyness, Ashgrove Park
Saturday 8th May
Liam McConville, Drumnamoe Gardens

ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 2nd May
Clare Reavey, Jerretspass
Mary (May) Smyth, Lake Street
James Muldoon, Moortown
Monday 3rd May
Ellen Heaney, Ennis Close
Brother Eustace, Glen Road, Belfast
Tuesday 4th May
Frank Lieghio, Belvedere Manor
Henry McDonald, Ashgrove Avenue
Wednesday 5th May
Minnie Kelly, Castle Lane
Eugene McConville, Albert Avenue
Margaret Magill, Grattan Street
Mark Geddis, Brownlow Terrace
Nellie & Patsy Byrne, Shore Road
Thursday 6th May
Sean McCavigan, Tarry Drive
Patricia Duffy, Ennis Green
John Eddie Campbell, Melrose Park
James McCabe, Deramore Drive
Nola McCann, Lower North Street
Pauline Crothers, Kilmore Road
Joe & Josephine Atkinson, Portadown
Fr Pat Towe, South Africa
Friday 7th May
Mary Ann Campbell,
Oakleigh Fold/Derrytrasna
Jimmy Hughes, Soye Gardens
William K Patterson, North Street
Nora Hargreaves, nee McGeown,
Liverpool/Kilmaine Street
Saturday 8th May
Daniel J Harte Jnr, Turmoyra
Anna Marnar, Colane Meadows
Kitty Filbin

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
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. Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church