

St. Peter's Parish, Shankill

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BULLETIN

8th DECEMBER 2024 – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8am, 10am, (po polsku) & 12.00 noon
Monday 9 Dec – 8am & 7pm
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
1st December - £3241.35
Plus, Standing Orders £350.60 weekly
Donations – £35
Car Park - £141.00
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.


Holy Baptism
We welcome the following children into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism
Laoise Eireann Casey, Grattan Street
Alan Kai Pauliukas, Charles Baron Mews
Eibhlin McManus, Whitehall Road
Fianna Rosaleen McGahan, Belvedere Manor
Our prayers and good wishes are extended to his 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 @ 1.30pm

Annual Christmas Appeal
The St. Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Appeal collection will be on this weekend of 7/8 December. A member of the SVP conference will speak at all the Masses this weekend. *Thank you for all the love and support you give to our conference. Without you we could not help all those persons and families who are in need.*
We have also begun the collection of food and gifts for the Christmas hampers.


Please come along and join with the Choirs of St Peter's for their **Annual Carol Service** Sunday 15th Dec @ 7pm
We shall prepare for the coming of Jesus through prayers, readings & Carols
A time to stop and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.
Refreshments served after in Parish Hall

CAROL SERVICES
Sunday 8th Dec at 4.00pm
DOWN'S AND PROUD - St Peter's
Sunday 8th Dec at 7.00pm - **CANTABILE** - St Paul's
Sunday 15 Dec at 7.00pm - **ST PAUL'S SENIOR & CHILDREN'S CHOIR**
Monday 16 Dec at 1.30pm - **ST FRANCIS PRIMARY SCHOOL** - St Paul's
Wednesday 18 December at 1.00pm - **CEARA SCHOOL** - St Paul's


The Novena in St Peter's will **conclude** on Tuesday @ 8am & 7pm Masses

The Novena in St Paul's will **conclude** on Monday @ 10am Mass

SERVICE FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS
In St Paul's Church today
Sunday 8th December at 3.00pm.
The Relic of St Gerard Majella will be available.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – Monday 9th December
We celebrate Mary who, from the first instant of her existence in the womb of her mother Anne, was 'by singular grace and privilege of almighty God, and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, preserved free from all stain of original sin'.
Masses in **St Peter's** - 8am & 7pm
St Paul's - 10am

PENITENTIAL SERVICES
Sunday 15 December 3.00 – 4.30pm
St Paul's Church
Tuesday 17 December 7.30 – 8.30pm
St Peter's Church
Wednesday 18 December
7.00 – 8.00pm - St Anthony's Church

CONFESSIONS – CHRISTMAS EVE
St Peter's – 9.30 – 10.30am
St Paul's 10.30 – 11.30am

ANNIVERSARIES OVER CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR
Anniversaries and Month's Mind Notices that occur up to Saturday 11th January 2025 should be left into the Parish Office on or before Thursday 19th December @ 12.00 noon if they are to be included in the Bulletin over the Christmas/New Year holiday.
Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church.

ADVENT PRAYER
God of Love, Your Son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us. He is a sign of Your love. Help us walk in that love during Advent, as we wait and prepare for His coming. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour. Amen



TROCAIRE GIFTS OF LOVE
Soap £5, Chicks £10, Seeds and Tools £10, Dignity Kit for Girls £10, Solar Lamps £15, Emergency Water £20, School Lunches £20, School Kit £20, Play for Healing £35, Food & Nourishment £40, Goats £40, Help for Grandparents £40, New Mother's Care Kit £50, Mental Health Lifeline £50, Honey Bees £60, Water System £90, Protection from Climate Change £90, A Just World £90, Safe Home £125, Ox Plough & Family Farming Tools £200, a pack of 12 Christmas cards £4.
Cards available from the Parish Office until Thursday 19th Dec

TANNAGHMORE PS Our P1 Open Day
is on Wednesday 11th December from 1:30-3:30pm.
All parents and children who will be starting P1 in September 2025 are welcome to visit our P1 staff, classrooms and school.

BLESSING FOR A CHRISTMAS CRIB
O God, out of your love for us you sent your dearly beloved Son to become man. You willed that he be born in a humble stable in order to give us an example of humility. We pray you now to bless this crib, a representative of the scene of his birth: may it draw us closer to him. By imitating his humility may we become a willing dwelling place for his rebirth, Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord.

Aeon Festive Chocolate Box Live Christmas Draw
Choose a chocolate for £5 and win a Spa Day for two @ Le Jardin. Other prizes include gift cards, hampers, vouchers etc. **Tickets can be bought at Aeon Arts, Church Place**

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION December:
For Pilgrims of Hope: Let us pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into Pilgrims of Christian Hope.

ST PETER'S GAC INVITES YOU TO The Silver Whites Christmas Party
Monday 9th December
11am-12.30pm.
Come join us in St Peter's Lounge for some light refreshments, music & craic.
For more information contact Anne-Marie 077172044788 or Eilish 07787433484

NI CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES.
Sat 10 May to Thurs 15 May 2025
The price of £859 (with price reduction for Cancer Patients) includes: Return flights from Belfast International Airport, operated by Northern Star Travel Ltd and facilitated by Joe Walsh Tours. Full board and accommodation at the Hotel Agena in Lourdes for five nights based on twin/double/triple rooms.
The party will consist of patients, ex-patients, relatives and friends accompanied by medical, nursing and other staff. To enquire or book call:- Mrs Jean Clarke, Hon. Secretary, NI Cancer Pilgrimage, 67 Ballynahinch Road, Carryduff, Belfast, BT8 8DL, or speak to us on Tel. **078746 88388**, or e-mail mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk

ANNIVERSARIES CONTINUED
Saturday 14th December
Mary Smyth, Ulster Street
Francis McKeown, Church Walk
Martin Campbell, Brett Park/Knock Eden
Elisa Dillion, New York



RECENTLY DECEASED
Lelia Quine, Cherrytree Walk
Winnie Foye, Ennis Tarry

MONTH'S MIND
Friday 13th December
Len Withers, Deeny Drive
Saturday 14th December
Jennifer Harbinson, Garland Avenue

ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 8th December
Sean McVeigh, Tannaghmore North Road
Brigid Gordon, Annaloiste
Stephen Mulholland, Silverwood Drive
Oliver McCavigan, Portland Manor
Jim McStravick, Plymouth
Seamus Gallery, Killough Gardens
Mary McCorry, Glenavy
John & Catherine Downey, Ardoyne, Belfast
Annie McCann, The Wood
Agnes McAlinden, The Moss

Monday 9th December
Mary & Samuel Holland, Cypress Gardens
Mary Catherine Fox, William Street
Austin Toman, Antrim Road
Julia & James McSherry, North Street
Austin & Doreen Toman, Antrim Road
Elizabeth (Lily) McShane, Shore Road
Sean McKavanagh, Castor Bay Road
Dolores Magennis, Garland Avenue
Ted Magennis, Lurgantarry
Mary McLoughlin, Maple Court
Derek McPeake, Victoria Gardens
Hugh McStravick, Shore Road

Tuesday 10th December
Donald McCorry, Victoria Street Place
Thomas Hill, Magheralin
Kathleen Magee, Hawthorn Avenue
Susan Agnew, Canal Bank, Aghalee
Susan Gorman, Lisburn

Wednesday 11th December
Gerry McCready Snr, Kilwilke Gardens
Jarlath McConville, North Street
Julia Mitchell, Silverwood Drive
Mary McConville, Silverwood Drive
Jack Gallery, North Street
Charlotte Agnew, Tannaghmore North Road

Thursday 12th December
Rose Skeffington, Garland Avenue
Mona McLaughlin, Lake Street
John (Jack) Magee, Kilmore Hill Road
Sean Coleman, Ennis Close
Lydia Doyle, Brownlow Terrace

Friday 13th December
Rose Toman, Inglewood
Brendan Flynn, Ennis Green
Sarah Ann Mullan, Kilmaine Street
Phil McStay, Wellington Street
Annie Corey, O'Neill's Terrace
Anne Nugent, Woodville Avenue

Saturday 14th December
Pat McCann, Allenhill Park
Maragret McCann, Derrymacash
Maureen Walsh, Kinnegac
Lily Murphy, Shankill
James King, Donnelly Gardens