

SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

OUR PARISH BULLETIN

We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. Your prayers, your presence and your talents are most welcome! May God bless all of us.

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 Download App Store or Google Play

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FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK 4th WEEK OF LENT

Monday 11th March – St Aengus, Bishop and Abbot was a monk in Clonenagh, Co Laois who came to the monastery at Tallaght at the end of the eighth century during the abbacy of Maelruain to spend a period under his direction. He was renowned for his devotion to both foreign and native saints and composed to martyrologies. He returned to Clonenagh where he became abbot and bishop. He died around 824.

Sunday 17th March – Solemnity of Saint Patrick, Bishop Principal Patron of Ireland

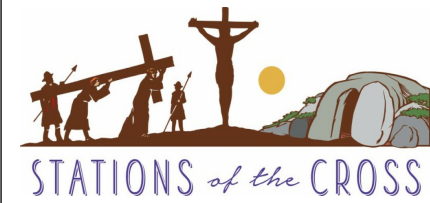
BAPTISMS
 All parents wishing to have a child baptized in St Paul's Parish, must contact the Parish Office by telephone:
 (028) 3832 1289.
 One month's notice is required. Baptisms take place on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2024
 Anyone wishing to go as a Pilgrim, Fare is £795 Single Room supplement £200.
 Please apply to:
 The Secretary Lurgan Lourdes Committee
 Rosemary McGuinness, 29 Hunters Lodge
 LURGAN BT66 6NB
 Or call 077 9631 0214

ADORATION CHAPEL
 Edward Street Adoration:
 9am – 9pm
 "Perpetual adoration is the most beautiful thing you could ever think of doing. People are hungry for God. Imagine for a moment that we are living in Jesus' time and He has invited us to visit with Him and spend some quiet time getting to know Him better."

MOYRAVERTY 50 + TEA DANCE
 St Anthony's Parish Centre
 on Thursday 21 March 2024 8-10pm.
 We welcome old and new members.
 Music by Mons Wheeler. Raffle prizes.
 Admission £4, including light supper.

THE FAMILY MASS
 To celebrate Mother's Day the children are going to be invited to collect a scroll with a special poem on it to give to their mums or grandmothers today at Mass. Also today the ladies from the Children's Liturgy Group will be handing out little eggs for the children to decorate and put a ribbon on and bring back to hang on the Easter Tree that will be going on the Altar at Easter time.



ST PAUL'S
 Fridays during Lent after 10.00 am Mass

ST PETER'S
 Stations of the Cross will be celebrated in St Peter's by Fr Kingsley at 6pm each Wednesday evening during Lent. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow (we pray for vocations to the priesthood) and the prayers will finish with benediction.

SUNDAY 17th MARCH 2024

FEAST OF OUR PATRON SAINT PATRICK
 Mass Times will be as usual for Saturday/Sunday 16th and 17th March


PENITENTIAL SERVICE
 Priests from our Deanery will be available here in
SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH
 on
SUNDAY 24th MARCH
FROM 3.00pm to 4.30pm.

ABORTION LAW
 Please support an amendment to reduce abortion law from 24 weeks to 22 weeks.
 Collect a postcard today from the back of the church and post it to your MP in support of this amendment.

GENTLE REMINDER
 If you have taken a bulletin during Mass, please take it home with you.
 Thank You

BENEMERENTI MEDAL AWARD
 Warmest congratulations and every best wish to
Colm McConville
 who was presented with the Benemerenti Medal at the Vigil Mass on 2nd March for his services to the Church.

 The Benemerenti Medal (meaning well merited) was established by Pope Pius VI in the last quarter of the 18th century as a military honor for outstanding service to the Holy See. The medal was later extended to worthy members of the clergy and civilian laity.
 Medal presented to Colm McConville

1000 HOURS OF ADORATION
St Paul's Wednesday 20th March 2024 9.00am to 9.00pm
 An initiative of prayer during Lent 2024 -
"Praying with Blessed Carlo for Vocations"

 In this Year for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood we are invited to reflect on the Priesthood and to pray that more young men may answer God's call to the service of his people as priests.
 Adoration will take place in St Paul's Church on the 20th March. The Adoration Chapel will be closed on that day only to enable adorers to attend St Paul's.
Could parishioners fill in a suitable time, on the list left at the back of the Church for them to attend Adoration on 20 March. Thank You!


REMEMBER THEM. O LORD
 As parishioners we offer our sincere sympathy, prayers and support to the family members of those who have died recently:
RECENTLY DECEASED
Hugh Whitla, Derrymacash/Charles Street
Marie O'Hagan, Oakridge
Colm (Colie) Keegan
Antrim Road/Bellevue House
Harry Lavery, Blackburn/formerly Church Walk
Margaret Austin (née McCorry)
Edward Street/Dublin
Mary McCann, Gilpin's Manor
SATURDAY 9th MARCH 7.00pm (VIGIL MASS)
Gerry Gillen (MM), Dingwell Park
 Catherine Bell, Prospect Way
 Ellen McKeag, Brown Street
 Kathleen Doran, Silverwood Drive
 Peggy Prentice, Innisfail Walk
SUNDAY 10th MARCH 9.00AM MASS
 Arthur and Kitty Toman, Bleary
 Kathleen Topping, Manor Park
SUNDAY 10th MARCH 10.30AM MASS
 Father Jim Sheppard, Drumlin Drive
 Danny McAlinden, Lough Road
 George Harvey, Downshire Avenue
 Rosaleen McKerr, Taghnevan
 Thomas Martin, Francis Street
 Sadie Livingstone, Silverwood
MONDAY 11th MARCH 10.00AM
 Jerry Scullion, Ashgrove Gardens
 Elizabeth Lavery, Filbin Crescent
 Pauline Edwards, California
 Tony Himans, Guernsey
 Roselene Smyth, Killough Gardens
TUESDAY 12th MARCH 10.00AM
 Joseph Fitzpatrick, Arthur Street
WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH 10.00AM
 Sister Fidelma O'Neill, Convent of Mercy
 Mary McCann, Manor Drive
 Eddie McKinstry, Arthur Street
 Maureen McCaughley, Ashwood
 Mary McAtasney, Silverwood Drive
THURSDAY 14th MARCH 10.00AM
 Mick McAleese, Gosselin Park
FRIDAY 15th MARCH 10.00AM
 Dolores Doyle, Kilwilkie
 Rosemary Nelson, Ashford Grange
SATURDAY 16th MARCH 10.30AM
 Joseph Magennis, Arthur Street
 Helen Knox, Shankill Street
 Henry Lavery, Gawley's Gate
SATURDAY 16th MARCH 7.00pm VIGIL MASS
 Maria Gaskin, Church Walk
 Agnes and John Haughian, Cypress Gardens
ETERNAL REST GRANT ON TO THEM, O LORD!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
 God himself needed a Mother: how much more so do we! Jesus himself gave her to us, from the cross: 'Behold your mother!' (Jn 19:27). He said this to the beloved disciple and to every disciple. Our Lady is not an optional accessory; she has to be welcomed into our life. She is the Queen of peace, who triumphs over evil and leads us along paths of goodness, who restores unity to her children, who teaches us compassion. Mary, take us by the hand, Lead us by the hand to rediscover the bonds that unite us. Gather us beneath your mantle, in the tenderness of true love, where the human family is born.

SUNDAY 10 MARCH 2024
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MOTHER'S DAY

ST PAUL'S PARISH MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday
 Vigil 7:00pm (Saturday)
 9:00am and 10:30am.
Weekdays
Monday to Friday: 10:00am
Saturday 10.30am
Saint Paul's Parish Office
 Parish Secretary
 Telephone: (028) 3832 1289
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stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org

Office Hours
Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm
Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind
 Notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon each **Wednesday** if they are to be included in the Bulletin.

FOOD BANK
 Thank you for your continued support and generosity for the local foodbank.
 The door to the parish office area will be open daily from **9am until 12 Noon** Monday to Friday for all donations to be dropped off.

 **ST PATRICK'S WEEKEND CELEBRATIONS**
 Cantabile Choir and Friends presents a night of Irish music, dance and song.
 Friday 15th March - Ashburn Hotel
 Concert starts at 8pm, doors open at 7.15pm
 Voluntary donations in aid of Mental Health.

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Monday 11th MARCH 2024
at 7:30pm
in Newry Parish Centre
 The Society is delighted to again welcome **Una Walsh**, renowned local historian, who will speak on
"The legacy of Fr Tom in South Armagh: Reflections on the life of Cardinal O'Fiaich.
 All welcome.

ST PETER'S PARISH MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday
 Vigil 6:00pm (Saturday)
 8:00am, 10:00am (po polsku) and 12 Noon
Weekdays
Monday to Friday: 8:00am
Tuesday: and Friday 7:00pm
Saturday 9.30am
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Monday 10:00am – 1:00pm and 1:45pm – 4.00pm
Tuesday–Thursday 9.00am – 1.00pm and 1:45pm – 4.00 pm
Friday 9.00am–1.00pm and 1:30pm –2:30pm

OUTREACH GROUP SPONSORS
 Malachi O'Doherty - renowned journalist, author and broadcaster.
 The theme is: Can Ireland Be One?
 Come and hear his views on a Border Poll:
'The pros and the cons, as he sees it.
 This presentation is in the Jethro Centre, Flush Place, on Wednesday, 20 March at 8pm.
 All are welcome.

SOLITUDE SATURDAY 23 March
 An opportunity to take some time for yourself in the beautiful surroundings of St. Clare's Convent Glenvale to refresh mind and body.
 The day begins at 10am and ends at 3.30pm
 Refreshments and a light lunch included.
 Suggested donation £20
 Places limited so early booking essential.
 CONTACT: 028 3083 2828

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
 Sunday 3rd March 2024 £2,162.82
Thank you for your continued generosity and support to your Parish and your Priests.