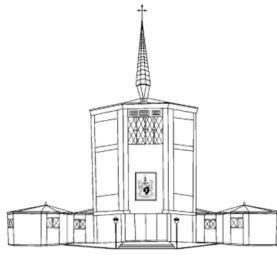


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

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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SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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

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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.



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: 7:00pm
Friday: Eucharist Service 7.00pm
Saturday 9.30am

Saint Peter's Parish Office

Parish Secretary

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Office Hours

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

Youth Alpha 2023 in a Catholic Context

We are about to embark on a journey that no young adult could refuse. The time has come for a Youth Alpha in the Catholic context to begin here in our local Church Community! Youth Alpha gives teens the opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed, friendly setting. It provides a fresh, fast-paced introduction to the Christian faith in a way which can capture a young person's imagination and makes exploring the big questions of life relevant and exciting.

We are here to help young adults explore their faith and uncover these important questions about life in a friendly, open and informal environment. Each Alpha session includes snacks, fun, a video and discussion. It is free of charge and we look forward to welcoming new faces to the Youth Alpha 2023.

The Alpha Course will meet each Wednesday for 9 weeks as follows:

- Beginning: Wednesday 11 January 2023 @ 7:00pm-8:30pm
- Ending: Wednesday 8 March 2023
- 16-19 years
- Location: Brownlow Community Hub, 7 Brownlow Road, Craigavon, BT65 5DL
- Contact Details to register your interest:
- Rachael Wilson: phone 07841418596 / rachaelmccann@gmail.com
- Allan Wilson (07809117395)

FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

11 December – 3rd Sunday of Advent

Monday 12th December - Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady of Guadalupe holds a special place in the religious life of Mexico is one of the most popular religious devotions. Her image has played an important role as a national symbol of Mexico.

St Finian, bishop Meath - studied in Idrone (County Carlow) and later in Wales, and on his return to Ireland he settled in Clonard, County Meath, around 520, where he established a famous school. His pupils were the initiators of the indigenous monastic expansion in Ireland. He is remembered as the tutor of the saints of Ireland. He died in 549.

Tuesday 13th December - St Lucy, virgin and martyr - Lucia of Syracuse, also called Saint Lucia or Saint Lucy, was a Christian martyr who died during the Diocletianic Persecution. She is venerated as a saint in the Catholic, Anglican, Lutheran, and Eastern Orthodox churches. She is one of eight women explicitly commemorated by Catholics in the Canon of the Mass

Wednesday 14th December - St John of the Cross, priest and doctor of the Church
 St. John of the Cross (1542-1591) was born and died in Spain. His parents were poor and could not give him training in any trade. Hence he became the servant of the sick in the hospital of Medina. In 1563 he offered himself as a lay brother to the Carmelite friars, who, however, perceiving his unusual talents, had him ordained a priest. His sufferings served only to detach him from creatures. He had a great devotion to Our Lord's Passion and voluntarily sought out humiliations. When Our Lord asked him what reward he would ask for his labours, John answered: "To suffer and to be despised for Thee." He died of a cruel disease, embracing the crucifix. Because of his profound treatises on mystical theology Pope Pius XI proclaimed him Doctor of the Church.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 4 December 2022 - £1,901.10

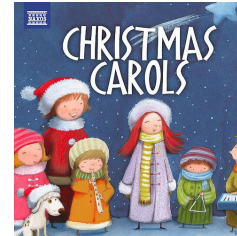
Thank you for your continued generosity and support to your Parish and your Priests.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – DECEMBER 2022

Annual St Vincent DePaul Christmas Appeal Saturday/Sunday 10/11 December. A member of the Society will speak at all the Masses this weekend.

Better together group Christmas dinner and party on Sunday 11th December in The Hub Brownlow Road Craigavon from 2.00pm to 5.30pm. The price is £22.50. (Please note change of details)
For Booking and Transport Contact: Colette at: 07470 198180 or Rose: 07788 965643.

Moyraverty 50+ Tea Dance - St Anthony's Parish Centre, Thursday 15 December (8-10pm). Admission : £4 (including a light supper). Music by Mons Wheeler.



CAROL SERVICES

Cantabile in Saint Paul's Church on Sunday 11th December at 7.00p.m. Admission is free with a voluntary collection in aid of St Vincent DePaul and Freedom Foods Pantry, Lurgan

Bunscoil Naomh Proinsias (P6 and P7) in Saint Paul's Church on Tuesday 13th at 1.30pm

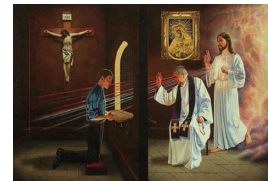
Moyraverty Parish Draw starts on Tuesday December 13th. Tickets available from Moyraverty Parish Office.

On Sunday 18th December Saint Paul's junior choir Carol Service and Nativity Mass at the 10.30am Mass. We'd love to see all the children dressed to take part in our Nativity Scene, the more shepherds and angels the better. We will be doing a small Nativity Play where we will be looking for volunteers to take part, so please let us know after Mass if you'd like to be involved. Many thanks to all who support our Children's Mass.

Saint Paul's Church Choir in Saint Paul's Church on Sunday 18th December at 7.00p.m.

Saint Peter's Carol Service in Saint Peter's Church on Sunday 18th December at 7.00p.m.

Saint Francis' Primary School Carol Service (P6 and P7) on Tuesday 20th at 1.30pm



ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Penitential Service in Saint Paul's on Sunday 18th December at 3.00 -4.30pm
Confessions in Saint Peter's on Tuesday 20th December at 7.30pm
Confession in St Anthony's, Moyraverty on Wednesday 21st December 7.00pm
Confessions in Saint Peter's on Saturday 24th December at 10.00am
Confessions in Saint Paul's on Saturday 24th December at 11.00am

CHRISTMAS MASSES

ST PAUL'S CHURCH

Christmas Eve 6.00pm
 Christmas Day 9.00am 10.30am 12.00noon

(please note that there will be an extra Mass on Sunday at 12.00noon in Saint Paul's on 25th December to facilitate crowds)

ST PETER'S CHURCH

Christmas Eve 6.00pm 9.00pm (po pulsku)
 Christmas Day 8.00am 10.00am and 12.00noon

CHRISTMAS WEEK (Monday to Friday) - Masses as follows

Saint Peter at 9.30am and Saint Paul's at 10.30am.

Please cut out this section and keep for your notice board during this Christmas season



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

Philomena (Mena) Downey,
Formerly Willow Drive, Banbridge
Oliver McCavigan, Portland Manor
Eileen McCann, Campbell Walk
Peter Kerr, Annesborough Road
Philomena McCavigan, Woodlane, Lurgan

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER (VIGIL MASS)

Joseph (Joey) Burns, Beechcourt
 Sam Coleman, Edward Street
 Gordon DeCarteret, Cafolla Gardens
 Thomas (Tommy) Dummigan, Sloan Street

SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER 9.00AM MASS

Brendan Doran, Silverwood Drive
 Conal Smyth, Taghnevan Drive
 Don Lavery, Magheralin/Australia

SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER 10.30AM MASS

Francie Byrne (MM), Rathfriland/Banbridge
 Mary McConville, Silverwood Drive
 Margaret McKeown, formerly Aghnacloy House
 Julia Mitchell, Annaloiste Road

MONDAY 12 DECEMBER

Sean Lavery (MM), New Street
 Edward McCluskey, Shankill Street
 Lena May, Silverwood Drive
 Deirdre Boyd, Cafolla Gardens

TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER

Liz Maxwell, Manor Drive
 Annie Corey, O'Neill's Terrace

WEDNESDAY 14 DECEMBER

Jerome Doran, Silverwood Drive
 Philomena Haddock, Portland Manor/Cafolla Gardens
 Mary Smyth, Ulster Street
 Martin Campbell, Brett Park/Knockeden
 Michael Watterson, Moira

THURSDAY 15 DECEMBER

Brian Griffin, Cheshire Mews / Cherrytrees Walk
 Jim Smyth, Thornleigh
 Brian McShane, Conor Park
 Henry & Mary Ellen McCourt, Derryloughan, Tyrone
 Molly Williamson, Portadown

FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER

Godfrey Martin, formerly New Street
 Catherine Thornbury, Edward Street
 Sheila McCluskey, Woodville Street

SATURDAY 17 DECEMBER 10.30am

Patrick Blaney, Mansefield
 Mary Ellen Blaney, Mansefield
 Jim Blaney, Mansefield
 Ailish Black, Portadown
 Francis Jordan, Cypress Gardens
 Margaret Hoyer
 Joseph Haddock, Sloan Street
 Colette McMahon, Old Portadown Road
 Charlotte McCrory, Kilwilkie Road
 George Hatchell, Silverwood Drive

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!

PRAYER FOR DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

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

St Paul's Parish Christmas Mass Bouquets
The Parish Christmas Card is now available for at the Parish Office

Trócaire - Christmas Gifts of Love
 With Christmas Gifts of love, together we can help people improve their lives, escape poverty and look forward to a brighter future. There are a range of cards available now from the Parish Office to choose from:
 Soap £5, chicks £7, solar lamps £10, seeds and tools £10, girl power £10, clean water £15, school lunches £15, school kit £20, family food basket £30, winter essentials £20, water filter £35, mental health lifeline £40, goats £40, give grandparents a hand £40, new mother's care kit £45, honey bees £55, trees £75, Human Rights £85, empowering women £85, safe home £125, a pack of 12 Christmas cards £4. Calendars £10