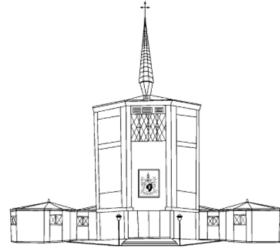


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

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.



**SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2024
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
WORLD DAY OF THE SICK
DAY OF PRAYER FOR
TEMPERANCE**

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
Email: 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.



ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street
Adoration:
9am - 9pm

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger and whoever believes in me will never thirst".

"Couch to Ceili"

Church Hall, St Peter's
North Street, Lurgan
11.00am -12.30 each Thursday

No partner/experience necessary
For further information contact
07788 730 429
www.annetecollins.com

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**

Saint Peter's Parish Office

Parish Secretary
(028) 3832 3161
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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**

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.

SOUTHERN AREA HOSPICE

Hospice Musical Evening
St Ronan's College, (Arthur Street entrance)
Thursday 22nd February at 7.00pm
All donations to Southern Area Hospice

IRISH WOMEN'S ROSARY

Saturday, 10 February 2024
at 1pm at the Plaza (opposite the Credit Union. Lurgan).

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 4 February 2024 £1,749.25
Thank you for your continued generosity and support to your Parish and your Priests.

**24-HOUR NUMBER FOR ALL
SICK CALLS AND
EMERGENCIES
TEL: (028) 3832 3161**

Parish web: www.lurganparish.com
Facebook: @lurganparish
Parish App: **Parish365**
Download App Store or Google Play

Saint Vincent de Paul, William Street:
(028) 3832 5725

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND
ADULTS WHO REQUIRE PROTECTION:
**Dromore Diocesan
Designated Liaison Person**
Mr Stephen Sherry: 07301246329
safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org
Saint Paul's Parish Safeguarding
Representative and Parish Sacristan.
Telephone: 07563 293429

FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK Wednesday 14th February ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is the doorway into our Lenten season of renewal - a day rich in associations and symbolism. It marks the beginning of Lent - a time for turning again to the practice of our faith, in prayer, self-denial (fasting) and practical generosity (almsgiving). Many Catholics consider it important to receive ashes on this day. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of a period of 40 days in which Catholics prepare for Easter. This period also represents the 40 days that Jesus spent in the desert as well as the 40 years that the Israelites spent in exile. The ashes themselves come from the burned palms from last year's Palm Sunday celebration: thus bringing us full circle to our last celebration of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus.

On Ash Wednesday, we are reminded that we are called to turn away from sin, to repent and to believe the Good News of our salvation through Jesus Christ.

Wednesday 14th February
Saint Valentine was a 3rd-century Roman saint, commemorated in Western Christianity on February 14 and in Eastern Orthodoxy on July 6. From the High Middle Ages, his Saints' Day has been associated with a tradition of courtly love. He is also a patron saint of Terni, epilepsy and beekeepers

Born: Terni, Italy
Died: 14 February 269 AD, Rome, Italy
Place of burial: Basilique Saint Valentin, Terni, Italy
Nationality: Roman
full name: Valentine of Terni

Sunday 17th February St Fintan was born in Leinster. He received his religious formation in Terryglass, Co Tipperary under the abbot Colum, and was deeply influenced by his penitential practices and the severity of the Rule. Fintan made his own foundation in Clonenagh, Co Laois. He died in 603.

TO THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBANUS

Thank you for supplying and distributing St Brigid Crosses To our Parishes.

The Knights are grateful for donations received from parishioners.

DAY OF ATONEMENT - FRIDAY 16th FEBRUARY 2024

The Irish Bishops have designated the first Friday of Lent each year as a special day of prayer for victims and survivors of abuse in the Church. This year that day will happen next Friday 16th February. All Churches across Ireland are invited to offer prayers on that day for all those who have been impacted by the terrible sins and crimes of abuse in the Church. In many churches a Candle of Atonement will be lit, and the Prayer of Atonement offered as we acknowledge the wrongs of the past and pray for the assistance and guidance of the Holy Spirit as we work to ensure they cannot be repeated. This initiative and the prayer were instigated by a survivor of abuse in the Church, and I ask that everyone remembers victims of abuse in their personal and family prayers, and most especially in this coming Friday.



MASSES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2024

St Paul's: 10.00am and 7.00pm
St Peter's: 8.00am and 6.00pm

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**Monday 19th February 2024:
at 7:30pm in Newry Parish Centre**
The Society is delighted to welcome Dr Geraldine Foley of the Inland Waterways Association of Ireland to present a talk entitled "From Newry to Demerari": *James Blair, merchant, sugar planter and slave owner.*"

Newry man James Blair was an owner of plantations in the West Indies. He entered Parliament in 1818 to protect the interests of slave-owners. Blair sat in the House of Commons from 1818 to 1830, and later from 1837 to 1841.

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE

Bus available from St Paul's Church 24th February to Dublin for Divine Mercy Conference.

Bus price £20. £10 deposit required. £35 into Conference.

Names and deposit can be left into Divine Mercy, William Street.
A Draw will take place for free entry to the Conference for 5 places.

FORMS OF FRIDAY PENANCE FOR LENT

The following are suggested as ways of fulfilling Friday Penance:

- Abstaining from meat or some other foods;
- Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking;
- Making a special effort at involvement in family prayer;
- Making a special effort to participate in Mass on Fridays;
- Visiting the Blessed Sacrament;
- Making the Stations of the Cross;
- Fasting from all food for a longer period than usual and perhaps giving what is saved to the needy;
- Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely.

LURGAN LOURDES COMMITTEE ROSARY AT THE GROTTA ST PAUL'S CHURCH.

Lurgan Lourdes Committee will be saying the Rosary at the Grotto on Sunday 11th February 2024 at 6.00pm, (weather permitting, otherwise it will be said inside the Church). Everyone welcome.

SOLITUDE SATURDAY, GLENVALE Saturday 24th February

An opportunity to take some time for yourself, in the beautiful surroundings of Glenvale Convent to refresh mind and body.

**Beginning with Mass 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

GRAND CHARITY NIGHT In Aid of N.I. Air Ambulance

Friday 23 February
In Ashburn Hotel. Doors open 8pm
Special Guests:
Country Harmony, Gene Fitzpatrick, Katie McParland, Hugo Duncan, Kevin Kearney, Box Car Brian & Leon.
Tickets available from Ashburn Hotel at Colleen's Kitchen or pay at the door.
Show starts at 9pm Adm £13

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The word temperance, like the word fortitude, is perhaps another of those words that are not used much in ordinary conversation. But the idea of temperance is suggested in some words that are used in everyday speech. *Balance* is one of those words, I think. We speak of wanting to lead 'balanced' lives, of wanting our judgments to be 'balanced,' our big decisions in life to be the result of 'balanced reflections.' We speak of a person being unbalanced. We speak of balanced diets. We try to balance our professional lives with our personal lives. We know what people mean when we hear these phrases. Balance is something like the virtue of temperance.



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

**Margaret Close, Drumbeg, Craigavon
Patrina McCann, Victoria Street**

**Rosaleen McAlernon (née Casey), Maple Court
Eileen Campbell (née Horgan)**

formerly **Kilmaine Street/Kilflynn Co Kerry
John McAlinden, Oakleigh Fold/Palms, Ballinry
Colm Burns, South Africa/formerly Silverwood
Annie Lavery (née Quinn), Campbell Walk**

SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY 7.00pm (VIGIL MASS)

Geraldine Haughian, Cypress Gardens
Mona Lavery, Richmount Gardens

SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY 9.00AM MASS

Margaret McCann, Shankill Street

SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY 10.30AM MASS

Elizabeth McCrory, Rampart Street
Jimmy Thornbury, Shankill Street
Adeline McMullan, Drumellan Park
Mena and Hugh McGinley, Taghnevan
Maurice and Sheila Hoy, Silverwood Villa Francis Street

MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY 10.00AM

No Anniversaries

TUESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 10.00AM

Anne Greene, Beaumont Square
Ronald McCorry, Glenavy
Helena Devlin (née Mallon), Omagh
Patsy McCann, Cafolla Gardens
Margaret Lennon, Cafolla Gardens
Hugh Totten

ASH WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 10.00AM

John Haughey, Lurgan/Dublin

THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY 10.00AM

Danny Butler, Ashwood
Baby Damien Anthony McCaughley, Castlelane Mews
Gerard Kane, Wolfisland Terrace

FRIDAY 16 FEBRUARY 10.00AM

Kenny Haddock, Edward Street
Rose Cunningham, Forkhill
Nora McCann, Levin Road

SATURDAY 17 FEBRUARY 10.30AM

Lizzie Creaney, Manor Drive
Rosemarie McDowell, Derrytrasna/Prospect Way
Mary McCann, Carrickvale Avenue

SATURDAY 17 FEBRUARY 7.00PM (VIGIL MASS)

Kathleen Devlin, Ardmore Road
Maddy Leigh Harbinson, Collingdale
Lizzy and Joseph Coyle, Hawthorne Avenue
Ivan Mason, Downshire Avenue

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!*