



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 talent are most welcome. May God bless all of us.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

THE BAPTISM OF JESUS
12TH JANUARY 2020

Canon Liam Stevenson, PP
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Our Parish Deacon
(028) 3832 3161



SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH

OUR MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Vigil 7:00p.m. (Saturday)
9:00a.m., 10:30a.m. and 12:00noon.

Monday 10:00a.m.
Saturday: 10:30a.m.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Evening before First Fridays:
6:15 to 6:50p.m.

Saturdays:

11.00a.m. to 11:30a.m.
6:15p.m. to 6:50p.m.

Saint Paul's Parish Office

Parish Secretary – Patricia McCann
(028) 3832 1289

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday
Thursday and Friday
9.30a.m. to 1.30a.m.

Wednesday 1:30p.m. to 2:30p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us in the
Adoration Chapel,
Edward Street.



PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 5th January: £2584.44
Many thanks for your huge generosity!

WEDDING

As a parish Community we offer our warmest congratulations and very best wishes to Gobnet Kelly of Francis Street and Alfie ('Poker') Thornburry of Tagnnevan who were married recently.

CENTENARY OF SAINT ANTHONY. The much-loved wooden statue of Saint Anthony at the back of Saint Peter's Church was dedicated and placed there in January 1920. To mark its presence for the past 100 years, the Tuesday 7:00p.m. Mass in Saint Peter's will be celebrated in honour of Saint Anthony with special prayers for the donors and for the Saint's intercession.



SAINT PETER'S CHURCH

OUR MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays:

Vigil 6:00p.m. (Saturday)
8:00a.m., 10:00a.m.,
11:00a.m. (po polsku) and 12:15p.m.

Monday to Friday: 8:00a.m.
Monday and Wednesday: 10:30a.m.
Tuesday and Friday: 7:00p.m.
Saturday: 9:30a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday: 6:15p.m. to 6:50p.m.
Saturday: 5:15p.m. to 5:50p.m.

Saint Peter's Parish Office

Parish Secretary – Marie Brady
(028) 3832 3161

Office Hours

Monday 10.00a.m. – 1.00p.m.
1:45p.m. – 4.00p.m.
Tuesday to Thursday
9.00a.m. to 1.00 p.m.
1:45 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.
Friday 9.00a.m. to 1.00p.m.
1:30p.m. to 2:30p.m.

Please note that anyone wishing to arrange Anniversary Masses here in Saint Paul's Church; should now contact Fionnuala in the Sacristy before or after any Parish Mass. Anniversaries that are to be included in the following Sunday's bulletin must be registered before Wednesday at 1.00p.m.

2020 Parish Calendars are now available at the back of both Churches.

Please take one for your home, for those who are sick and housebound, and those who for their own personal reasons don't practice their faith in our parish Church on a weekly basis.

Parish Sacristan: Fionnuala Hamill

(028) 3832 1289

Parish Website: www.lurganparish.com

Saint Vincent de Paul, William Street:

(028) 3832 5725

Safeguarding Children and Adults

Who Require Protection

Dromore Diocesan Designated Liaison Person

Mrs Patricia Carville. Tel. 077 8991 7741

Saint Paul's Parish Safeguarding Representative

Ms Fionnuala Hamill. Tel. 028 3832 1289

** Emergency number for all sick calls

(weekends included) Tel: (028) 3832 3161 **

FEAST DAYS 2020

Monday 13th January – Saint Hilary was Bishop of Poitiers and a Doctor of the Church. His name comes from the Latin word for happy or cheerful. In addition to his important work as Bishop, His parents were pagans of distinction. He received a good pagan education, which included a high level of Greek. Hilary studied the Old and New Testament writings, with the result that he abandoned his Neo-Platonism for Christianity, and with his wife and his daughter, was baptized and received into the Church.

Wednesday 15th January – Saint Ita, called the "Brigid of Munster", was born in 480 in the present County Waterford to noble Christian parents. Not only was Ita a saint, but she was the foster-mother of many saints, including Saint Brendan the Navigator. Ita is also reported to have rejected a prestigious marriage for a life as a consecrated woman religious. At the age of sixteen she moved to Cluain Credhail, a place-name that has ever since been known as Killeedy – meaning 'Church of St. Ita' – in County Limerick, where she founded a small community of nuns and resided for the remainder of her life, in community with other consecrated women. Her sister Fiona is said to have gone to Killeedy with her and became a member of the same community.

Thursday 16th January – Saint Fursa was born in the region of modern-day Connacht. He was the first recorded Irish missionary to Anglo-Saxon England. He arrived in East Anglia with his brothers, Foillan and Ultan, as well as other brethren during the 630s shortly before Saint Aidan founded his monastery on Holy Island. When Fursa arrived bearing the relics of Saints Meldan and Beoan, he had been welcomed by the king, who gave him land to establish an Abbey at Cnobheresburg, where there was an abandoned Roman fort, traditionally identified with Burgh Castle in Norfolk.

Friday 17th January – Saint Anthony or Antony (c. 12 January 251 – 17 January 356), was a Christian monk from Egypt, revered since his death as a saint. He is distinguished from other Saints named Anthony, such as Anthony of Padua, by various epithets of his own: Anthony the Great, Anthony of Egypt, Antony the Abbot, Anthony of the Desert, Anthony the Anchorite, and Anthony of Thebes. He is known as the Father of Monasticism.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO

LOURDES 12TH - 17TH MAY INCL.

Lurgan Lourdes Committee are taking applications for the sick, and are asking for Nurses to come along and join in the pilgrimage work. Applications to our Secretary: Rosemary McGuinness, 29 Hunters Lodge. Lurgan BT66 6NB

Applications for pilgrims is also available for booking at Saint Paul's Parish Office. The deposit is £150.00 and is payable at time of booking. Please apply as soon as possible.

Youth Pilgrimages 2020 Are you 18 to 30 years old? Might you be interested in joining a Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes (12th to 17th May) or the Camino de Santiago, Spain (19th – 25th July).

Choose your pilgrimage! They're a great way to get to know likeminded people, to travel and to grow in faith in a new way. To secure your place forward a deposit of £200 to the Diocesan Youth Office, 39 - 41 Hill Street, Newry, BT341AT. Cheque payable to the Diocese of Dromore Trust - Youth. For more information e mail: dromoreyd@btconnect.com or phone Frances 028 3083 3898.

LURGAN LOURDES FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

'Voucher for Weekly Draw'

Buy one £25.00 voucher and your name will be on a ticket each Sunday during 2020. Weekly prize £10.00. Vouchers can be purchased from Saint Peter's Parish Office, North Street.

NEW IRISH DANCING CLASSES MONDAY 13TH JANUARY

Brownlow Community Hub, Craigavon. All levels and abilities are welcome. 6.30p.m. – 7.30p.m. Children (age 4 upwards) 7.30p.m. to 8.30p.m. – Jig Fit Adult Dancing (age 18 to 99) Come along and have fun!!

OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHURCH UNITY 18TH TO 25TH JANUARY 2020

A special Prayer Service will be held in Shankill Parish Church of Ireland Church, Lurgan on Wednesday 22nd January. The time will be announced later. The guest speaker will be Bishop Kenneth Good, (recently retired Bishop of Derry and Raphoe). The theme for this year is: 'They showed Us Unusual Kindness'. The service and prayers were prepared by the Christian Churches of Malta. Please come along - pray for ourselves and our fellow Christians around the world!

LOURDES AND THE SHRINE OF ST BERNADETTE

You are welcome to join a holiday pilgrimage to Lourdes (5 nights) and then to the shrine of Saint Bernadette in Nevers (2 nights). This pilgrimage will take place from Thursday 30th April to Thursday 7th May, and will be led by Fr Peter Clucas O.M.I., an Oblate presently based in Inchicore, Dublin. The cost is €760 p.p.s. and includes scheduled flights, accommodation, coach transfers, full board, and all pilgrimage activities. The group is limited to 40 people; early booking is recommended. If you are interested, please telephone Father Peter at 00 353 87 958 0811 or e-mail at: p.clucas@oblates.ie

COFFEE MORNING

Hosted by Lurgan Lourdes Fundraising Committee will take place Saturday 18th January 10.00a.m. to 2.00p.m. in Saint Peter's Parish Hall. Please come along for welcome cup of tea/coffee and a friendly chat to support a very worthy cause.

MISSION YOUTH MEETING

Following on from our first meeting with Clonard Youth Team and the the young people from both our parishes (who are helping prepare for Mission in March of this year), more young people/volunteers are invited along to a follow up gathering taking place this Wednesday evening from 7.00p.m. to 9.00p.m. in Saint Peter's Hall. You are right at the heart of our parish: bring your voice and your ideas belong!

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE PARISHES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on 24 February - £399.00 per person sharing. Price includes return bus transfer to Knock, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with breakfast lunch and dinner (full board). All entertainment and excursions included. Lunches on days out. Wheelchair accessible rooms. Single room supplement £40.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

THE FRIENDLY CLUB

In Clan na Gael Community Hall (a social group for all of us older people who enjoy celebrating and making the most out of life) will start back on Thursday 16th January 2020 from 10:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. £2.00 per week. Everyone welcome!

THE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

'THE RULES', ACCORDING TO WOMEN

- 1.The female always makes the rules.
- 2.The rules are subject to change at any time without prior notification.
- 3.No male can possibly know all the rules.
- 4.If the female suspects the male knows all the rules, she must immediately change some, or all of the rules.
- 5.The female is NEVER wrong.
- 6.If the female is wrong, it is because of a flagrant misunderstanding, which was a direct result of something the male did or said wrong.
- 7.If rule #6 applies, the male must apologize immediately for causing the misunderstanding.
- 8.The female can change her mind at any given point in time.
- 9.The male must NEVER change his mind without express written consent from the female.
- 10.The female has every right to be angry or upset at any time.
- 11.The male must remain calm at ALL time, unless the female wants him to be angry or upset.
- 12.The female must under NO circumstances let the male know whether or not she wants him to be angry or upset.
- 13.Any attempt to document the rules could result in bodily harm.
- 14.If the female is in bad form, all rules are null and void.

Complaints to the editor of this week's bulletin are again strictly prohibited!!!



RECENTLY DECEASED

As parishioners' we offer our sincere sympathies, prayer and support to the family members of:

Sean Brankin, Lurgan Tarry
May they rest he Peace

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 11TH JANUARY (Vigil Mass)

Gerald Doran, Monbrief Walk
Annie McKenna, Edward Street
Ellen Jane Geary, Clara Street
Hugh Burns, Ashwood

SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY at 9.00a.m.

Jim Ross, Bango

SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY at 12.00noon

Doreen Larkham, Manor Park (M.M.)

MONDAY 13TH JANUARY at 10.00a.m

Joseph Corey, Ashdene Park
Oliver Headley, Killough Gardens

TUESDAY 14TH JANUARY at 10.00a.m.

James McCarron, Shankill Street
Evelyn McCorry, Parkview Street

Kathleen Creaney, Beechcourt
Frank Martin, Filbin Crescent

Lily and Pat Haughian,
Silverwood Drive/Wicklow

Francis Breen, Hillcrest

WEDNESDAY 15TH JANUARY at 10.00a.m.

Patrick McCrory, Cafolla Gardens

THURSDAY 16TH JANUARY at 10.00a.m.

Anita Inglis, Silverwood Leaves
David McConaghy, Killough Gardens
Margaret & Charles Patrick Byrne

Derrytagh South
John Livingstone, O'Neill's Terrace

FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY at 10.00a.m.

Francis Smyth, Ulster Street
Sheila Henry, Taghnevan Close
Maureen McKerr, Deeny Drive

Raymond McMullan, Cafolla Gardens

SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY at 10.30a.m.

Sarah and Patrick McGeown
Tom Haddock (MM), Shankill Street

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

A huge "Thank You!" to everyone for the overwhelming generosity in gift-giving and food donations to our needy families. We are extending all the hugs and expressions of gratitude we received from those families who received the food and toy hampers. May God bless you all - Lurgan Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

Parishioners' wishing to donate items to the Food Bank at Saint Paul's Church are asked to leave them with Fionnuala in the Church Sacristy.