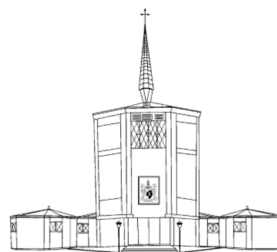


# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

## 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 14 JANUARY 2024**

**SECOND SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**



### 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](mailto: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.



### ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street  
Adoration:  
9am - 7pm

### SOUTHERN AREA HOSPICE

Coffee morning, raffle and sale  
Sunday 28th January  
10am until 1.15pm  
St Peter's. Parish Hall  
All proceeds to Southern Area Hospice

### YOUNG ADULTS

**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES -  
6TH TO 11TH AUGUST 2024 -**

We welcome 18 to 30 year olds - a great opportunity to the faith, spirit and fun of a Lourdes Pilgrimage, volunteer to help in Lourdes and grow in faith with other likeminded young people - for more information email your name and mobile number to Frances at  
[youthdirector@dromorediocese.org](mailto:youthdirector@dromorediocese.org)



### SAMARITANS INFORMATION NIGHT

Have you ever considered volunteering?  
Come along to find out more about volunteering with us.

DATE: Saturday 20th January  
TIME: 1.00pm  
LOCATION: 162 Thomas Street  
Portadown, Co Armagh, BT62 3BD

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

**Parish web: [www.lurganparish.com](http://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**

Mrs Patricia Carville. Tel. 077 8991 7741

**Saint Paul's Parish Safeguarding  
Representative and Parish Sacristan.  
Telephone: 07563 293429**

### FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024 -**

We have been called by Christ to become children of God. How we respond is illustrated in today's readings. There is a seeking which develops into a search that leads to seeing and believing.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 - St Ita, Virgin**

Born in Co Waterford. She founded a monastery in Killeedy, Co Limerick which attracted a great variety of young people. She was given the title 'foster-mother of the saints of Ireland'. She died in 570.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January - St Fursa, Abbot and**

**Missionary - Hebrews - Saint Fursa was an Irish monk who did much to establish Christianity throughout the British Isles and particularly in East Anglia.**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January - St Anthony, died 356, Father of monasticism, lived a life of solitude but also attracted many others to form communities of hermits.**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January - Jesus brings healing to many afflicted.**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January** Relations between Christians call for every possible form of practical cooperation at all levels: pastoral, cultural and social, as well as that of witnessing to the Gospel message Unity of action leads to full unity of faith.

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January - Fabian, pope and martyr:** had been Pope for fourteen years when martyred under Decius in the year 250.

**St Sebastian, martyr -** may have been a soldier and was martyred in the persecution of Diocletian. He sustained many others in their trials.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

If you put too much pressure on any one part of your life, there is a risk of collapse. If you put too much pressure on any one part of your being there may be a collapse too. The body, soul, mind and emotions are given to you to spread the load. The same is true of your family and friends and of support services and those things that help you to discover your beliefs and values. When you are in good form, you are aware of all these 'arches' in your life. The load is spread quite evenly. When you are in bad form, you put too much pressure on one 'arch,' that single arch just can't carry the load!

*Alan Hilliard, Dipping Into Life (Messenger Publications)*

### PRAYER SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The week of prayer for Christian Unity this year is January 18th to 25th. There will be a special service held in the Jethro Centre, hosted by the Community Outreach Group and the Shankill Parish Church on Wednesday evening, January 24th at 7:30pm. Father Andrew McMahon will be the guest homilist. The theme this year is 'Love the Lord Your God... And Your Neighbour as Yourself'. Please mark your calendars, come and represent your parish. It is now more than ever we need to pray for our community and our world.

### DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024: @7:30pm** The Society will host an online lecture by **Geoff Cobb** entitled "*From Poverty to Power: the Irish in New York*".

We are delighted to welcome back our New York contributor, Geoff Cobb. Geoff, the author of four books on Brooklyn history, and a 2021 publication entitled, "*The Irish in New York: Profiles of New Yorkers who have Shaped the Empire State*", is vice president for local history for the New York Irish History Round Table and a regular contributor to Irish America magazine.

**The ZOOM room will open at 7:20pm. The talk will start at 7:30pm sharp.**

A link to the talk can be obtained by e-mailing the Hon Secretary [goss.jim@gmail.com](mailto:goss.jim@gmail.com) and will be forwarded on Monday January 22<sup>nd</sup>

### THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2024

Applications for Assisted Pilgrims wishing to travel on the Dromore Diocese Lourdes Pilgrimage 17<sup>th</sup> - 22nd May 2024 are now being considered.

Pilgrim Fare £795 - Single Room supplement £200.

Please apply in writing or phone to:  
The Secretary Lurgan Lourdes Committee  
Rosemary McGuinness  
29 Hunters Lodge  
LURGAN BT66 6NB  
or Phone: 07796 310214



**Northern Ireland  
Foster Care**

**The Bishop asks for your assistance in supporting HSC NI Foster Care and to encourage any of you who have some space and time in your life to come forward and consider fostering.**

Across Northern Ireland, there are children and young people who need a loving home and a stable environment in which they can develop and thrive. There are many struggles and challenges within families which lead to children and young people requiring foster care but you can help.

To find out how you could give a child a brighter future call HSC NI Foster Care on **0800 0720 137** or visit [adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net](http://adoptionandfostercare.hscni.net)

### THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT OUR PRIESTS

1. He loves God and you a lot. (Be mindful.)
2. He is a painfully limited human being. (Be realistic.)
3. He probably has a pretty low view of his "performance". (Be kind.)
4. He wishes he were a better preacher. (Be awake.)
5. He really does want God's best for you and your family. (Be open-hearted.)
6. His work knows no time or locational boundaries. (Be patient.)
7. He hears much more negative information than positive. (Be encouraging.)
8. He has chosen a vocation in which few remain. (Be praying.)
9. He longs for church to be your spiritual oasis. (Be loving.)
10. He needs help. (Be available.)
11. His God-given vision is bigger than himself and the church. (Be faith-filled.)
12. He wants to personally meet all the needs, but knows he can't. (Be understanding.)
13. He's going to say some dumb things every now and then. (Be forgiving.)
14. He is greatly encouraged by your faithfulness and attendance at Mass. (Be there.)
15. He is passionate for God's Word to be made practical to you. (Be hungry.)
16. He prays for you and your family's spiritual health. (Be receptive.)
17. He needs to hear that you prayed for him. (Be interceding.)
18. He's just a regular guy. (Be real.)

'Continue to love each other like brothers, and remember always to welcome strangers, for by doing this, some people have entertained Angels without knowing it.'

*Hebrews 13:1-2*



**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

**Stephen McCann, Drumlin Drive  
Sean McCorry, Kilvergan Road  
Vincent McEnoy Drumnamee Gardens  
Kathleen Hill**

**Rosemount Care Home/Templar Court  
Rodney Creaney, Shore Road**

**MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES  
SATURDAY 13 JANUARY 2023 (VIGIL) MASS**

**Colm O'Hagan (MM), Monbrief Walk**  
Geraldine Muholland, Gifford Road  
Peter and Kathleen McCaherty, Lisburn  
William and Sarah Gallagher, Toomebridge  
William Haughey, Francis Street  
Mel Corey, Desmond Avenue

**SUNDAY 14 JANUARY 2023 9.00AM MASS**

Evelyn McCorry, Parkview Street  
Lily Haughian, Silverwood Drive

**SUNDAY 14 JANUARY 10.30AM MASS**

**Maureen Walsh, (MM), Kinnego**

Charlie McShane, Charlestown Road  
Sister Finbar McCartan, Convent of Mercy, Lurgan  
John and Jean McAleese, Boconnell Lane  
Susan and Joseph McAleese, Boconnell Lane  
Dominic, Bernard and Michael Kane, Boconnell Lane  
Kathleen Milne, Cypress Gardens  
Frank McConville, Killough Gardens/Manor Drive  
Birdie Anderson, Waringstown  
Dummigan Family, Brown Street  
Andrew Breen, Derryloiste Road, Derrytrasna  
Francis Breen, Hillcrest, Gilpinstown Road  
Sarah Greene, Oakridge

**MONDAY 15 JANUARY 10.00AM**

Margaret O'Hagan, Downshire Avenue  
Leonard Harvey, College Walk  
Patrick (Paddy) McCrory, Cafolla Gardens  
James McCarron, Shankill Street  
Eileen and Jimmy Loughran, Shankill Street  
Colm Kelly, Old Course Road, Downpatrick  
Jim Prunty, Drumbeg North, Craigavon

**TUESDAY 16 JANUARY 10.00AM**

Anita Inglis, Silverwood Leaves  
Martina Power, Victoria Street

Patrick Brewster, Westacres, Craigavon  
David McConaghy, Killough Gardens  
John Livingstone, O'Neill's Terrace

**WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY 10.00AM**

Francis Smyth, Ulster Street  
Maryanna McCloskey, The Palms  
Maureen McKerr, Deeny Drive  
Gabriel Rooney, Kilwilkie Road  
James Greene, Dingwell Park  
Seamus Casey, Ailsbury Gardens

**THURSDAY 18 JANUARY 10.00AM**

Hilary Doherty, Windsor Avenue

**FRIDAY 19 JANUARY 10.00AM**

Josie Reid, Drumbeg North  
Laurene Mallon, Taghnevan Drive  
Ambrose Smyth, St Winifred Terrace

**SATURDAY 20 JANUARY 10.30AM**

**Kathleen Hughes (MM), New Street**  
Peggy Anderson, Waringstown  
Mickey McAlinden  
McGreevy Park/formerly Silverwood

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!