

SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

OUR PARISH BULLETIN

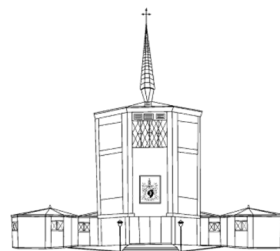
We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. Your prayers, your presence and your talents are most welcome! May God bless all of us.

OUR PARISH CLERGY

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SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 2021
FOURTH 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

Telephone: (028) 3832 1289

Email: office@stpaulsparishlurgan.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.



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: 7.00pm
Saturday 9.30am

Saint Peter's Parish Office

Parish Secretary

(028) 3832 3161

office@stpetersparishlurgan.org

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



TRÓCAIRE - CHRISTMAS GIFTS OF LOVE

With Trócaire 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 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, 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, Water Flow £85, Independence £85, Human Rights £85, Safe Home £125, Get a Family Farming £170. A pack of 12 Christmas Cards £4.

Cards are now available from the Parish Office.

"A Knight in the Kitchen" Cookery Book

The Knights of St. Columbanus have prepared a cookery book with a collection of easy to follow recipes from all over the Lurgan community. This is a great stocking filler idea and costs only £5. The proceeds will be used to support local parish initiatives including the building of the Shrine to Our Lady of Lourdes.

The cookery book will be on sale at the back of the church at the Christmas masses or you can order a copy by calling 0750 1783 628 or 07900 608 657

TWO WOLVES

A Cherokee elder was teaching his young grandson about life: "A fight is going on inside me" he said to the boy. "It is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. One is evil - he is anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, self doubt and ego. The other is good - he is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith. This same fight is going on inside you and inside every other person too". The boy thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather "Which wolf will win?" the elder simply replied, "The one you feed".

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

Mrs Patricia Carville. Tel. 077 8991 7741

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

CONFESSIONS AND HOLY COMMUNION

Parishioners who wish to avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation or to receive Holy Communion, are invited to call in and visit us at:

St Paul's Church on Sunday 19th December between 3.00pm to 5.00pm.

St Peter's Church, on Tuesday 21st December at 7.30pm

Priests from the parish and neighbouring Parishes will be in attendance.

All Covid 19 regulations will naturally be in place!



CAROLS for CHRISTMAS

VIRTUAL CAROL SERVICES

Please join us at:

St Paul's on
Sunday 19th December at 7.00pm
via the parish webcam

<https://www.lurganparish.com/stpauls-webcam>

St Peter's on
Sunday 19th December at 7.00pm
via the parish webcam:
<https://www.lurganparish.com/stpeters-webcam/>

CANTABILE CHOIR

Please join Cantabile Choir on **Wednesday 22nd December at 7.30pm** from St Paul's Church when we will be performing a virtual Carol Service via the parish webcam.



CHRISTMAS 2021 IN THE LURGAN PARISHES

I write on behalf of the Pastoral Councils, the priests and deacon of the parishes of St Peter's and St Paul's.

There have been many discussions re our Christmas Masses, whether to go on-line or with congregations present. Main discussion points are:

1. Unfortunately, the level of positive cases of the virus is still very high at 1600+ per day here in Northern Ireland.
2. If we accepted congregations into our Churches, there would have to be a very strict policy of closing the doors when the safe social distancing capacity in each Church was reached.
3. People would be very annoyed at being refused admittance.
4. Our ushers would have to impose the strict limit.
5. Public Health Authority (PHA) advised that with the spread of the new Omicron variant, it would not be wise to have a large congregation.
6. We would not want to do anything that would compromise our parishioners' safety in our Churches.

Hence the decision is made that all Christmas Vigil and Christmas Day Masses in both St Peter's & St Paul's will go out virtually on our webcams.

I hope you understand. Our normal Masses on Friday morning 24th and the Sunday Masses on 26th will have congregations. Please consider attending one of these Masses and the weekday Masses before and after Christmas. Of course, our Churches will be open at the normal times for private prayer. Children could be brought and introduced to the crib in each Church.

God bless and Happy Christmas everyone

Liam Stevenson P.P.

All Masses will be broadcast via the webcam www.lurganparish.com and parish radio at the following times:

MASS TIMES

St Paul's

Christmas Eve: 7pm
Christmas Day 9am and 10.30am
No Vigil Mass on Saturday 25th
Sunday 26th 9am and 10.30am
Monday 27 Dec to Wednesday 5 Jan
Weekday Masses will be at 10.30am

St Peter's

Christmas Eve: 6pm & 9pm (po polsku)
Christmas Morning: 8am, & 10am (po polsku) and 12 Noon
Monday 27 Dec to Wednesday 5 Jan
Weekday Masses will be at 9.30am

Wesołych Świąt
Nollaig Shona Daoibh
Happy Christmas

Liam Stevenson P.P.
Colum Wright C.C.
Jozef Wozniak SChr
Kevin Devine



St Paul's Parish Mass Bouquets are now available from the Parish Office.

Adoration Chapel

Edward Street, Private Prayer only
Adoration 9am to 7pm

St. Vincent de Paul Appeal

The total amount of donations given to the annual appeal last weekend was £7973.00. May God bless you for your wonderful generosity.

Thank you for your support.



PARISH OFFICE

Will close on Friday 24th December @ 12 Noon for the Christmas & New Year holidays and re-open on Tuesday 4th January at 9am



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

Roy McCafferty, Dingwell Park
Seamus Wright

formerly **Edward Street** died in England
Margaret McKeown, Aughnacloy House/Manor Court
Phyllis Haddock (Nee Mulholland), Cafolla Gardens
Gerald Donnelly, Derrymacash

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 18 DECEMBER (7.00PM VIGIL MASS)
No Anniversaries

SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 9.00AM MASS

Thomas Cunningham, Drumlin Drive
Sheila and Sean O'Hagan, Stonebridge
Bob and Bridie McEvoy, Ennis Close

SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 10.30AM MASS

Josephine and Brian Cassidy, Beaumont Square
Elizabeth O'Neill, Byrne Rampart
McCaherty Family
McConaghy Family

MONDAY 20 DECEMBER

Kathleen Hanratty, Ashwood
Fiona Philips, Belfast, formerly Lurgan
Felix O'Hagan, Turmoyra

TUESDAY 21 DECEMBER

Angela Jordan, Cypress Gardens
Eleanor Adams, Downshire Avenue
Bernadette Conway, Hawthorn Avenue

WEDNESDAY 22 DECEMBER

Ethel Ranaghan, Killough, Co Down
Kevin and Doris Toman, Desmond Avenue
Joe Mitchell, Brown Street
Sarah McMahon, Oakfield Terrace
Lillian Starkey, Grattan Street

THURSDAY 23 DECEMBER

Jim Martin, Oakridge
Jim O'Hagan, Francis Street
Patrick (Pat) McKerr, Silverwood Drive
Jimmy and Nora Moore, Taghnevan
Bernadette Heaney, Cafolla Gardens
Mary Lyness, Cypress Gardens

FRIDAY 24 DECEMBER

Paul Conway, Park, Co Derry
Marian McCrory, Killough Gardens

FRIDAY 24 DECEMBER 7.00PM CHRISTMAS EVE

Pauline O'Hagan (née Hamill), Australia
Elizabeth May, Francis Street

SATURDAY 25 DECEMBER 9.00am

The Haddock Family

SATURDAY 25 DECEMBER 10.30am

Maureen O'Neill, Ailsbury Gardens
Patrick McDonald, Lurgan
Sean McParland, Richmount Gardens

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!

Please Note!

Anniversaries and Month's Mind notices that occur up to 9th January 2022 should be left in the Parish Office before 12 Noon on Tuesday 21st December 2021.

Thank You