

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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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND ADULTS WHO REQUIRE PROTECTION: Dromore Diocesan Designated Liaison Person
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NEW DIOCESAN APPOINTMENTS

Fr Conor McConville will become Parish Priest of Annaclone and Aghaderg Parishes.

Fr Feidhlimidh Magennis will become Parish Priest of Magheralin and will continue as Parish Priest of Dromore Parish.

Fr Midhun Matthew (on part-time loan from the Archdiocese of Armagh) has been appointed as part time Curate to the parish of Magheralin in the Diocese of Dromore.

Fr John Brown SMA will become Administrator of Donaghmore Parish.

Fr Callum Young (on part-time loan from the Archdiocese of Armagh) is appointed part time Curate of the Parishes of Newry and Saval.

Carlos Esteban Rojo, Seminarian for the Archdiocese of Armagh, will take up a Pastoral Placement in the Cathedral Parish of Newry.

Brendan McAllister (to be ordained Deacon) will take up a Pastoral Placement in the Parish of Kilbroney, Rostrevor. This placement is for three months and is in final preparation for his ordination in the new year.

Gerard McBrien (to be ordained Deacon) will take up a Pastoral Placement in the Parishes of Clonduff, Drumgath and Mayobridge. This placement is for three months and is in final preparation for his ordination in the new year.

Anthony Moffett, Seminarian for the Diocese of Dromore, will take up a Pastoral Placement in the parishes of Moyraverty, Seagoe, St. Peter's and St. Paul's Parishes Lurgan.

Stefano Colleluori, Seminarian for the Archdiocese of Armagh, will take up a Pastoral Placement in the parishes of Moyraverty, Seagoe, St. Peter's and St. Paul's Parishes Lurgan.

We wish them every blessing. Please keep them in your prayers.

BETTER TOGETHER CROSS COMMUNITY GROUP

The Group was set up to help combat loneliness for those who feel isolated at home due to illness, disability, bereavement, depression etc.
Meetings will take place on the first Sunday of each month from 3.00 to 5.45pm in St Anthony's Parish Centre, Craigavon Commencing Sunday 3rd October 2021.
Carers are also welcome to come along.

Refreshments will be served and there will be music with Michael Lavery. This will be an opportunity to meet new friends and catch up with old ones.

For Transport contact: Colette 07470 198180
Michael: 07876 057550
Mary 07840 985576

BILLY THE KID

It has often been said that Christianity suffers from an abundance of holy people and a great shortage of whole people. During his lifetime Jesus furnished his followers richly with miracles, teachings and with great works of charity - he practiced exactly what he preached, and he asked both prayer and good works from all of us - not one, but both! Perhaps this wee story might inspire us - it tells us that Christianity is of no use, unless it is lived.

Billy was a wild man in his youth! He sported huge shaggy red hair and wore washed out jeans with a tee shirt that had massive gaping holes in it. Billy walked around in his bare feet most of the time, he was highly intelligent, very unconventional and tremendous fun to be with - everyone loved Billy. During his time at college Billy became a Christian.

Across the road from the main campus was an extremely conservative Church, and one day Billy decided to visit. He walked in when the Service was just about to begin, and not seeing any seats available he made his way up the middle aisle and squatted down on the carpet just beneath the pulpit. Although squatting on the floor was perfectly acceptable behaviour at college parties, it was not quite the norm in Church - especially this Church!

The Minister came out on to the sanctuary, welcomed everyone and invited them to join in singing the opening hymn as the procession made its way up from the back of the Church. The congregation watched with great anticipation to see what his reaction would be to this hippy-like creature squatting on the carpet. The Minister began to feel under great pressure, and the congregation wondered if steam would soon start to rise from beneath his collar?

To everyone's amazement when the Minister reached the top of the Church he simply put the book of the gospels into the pulpit and made his way to where Billy was. With great difficulty he lowered himself down on to the carpet beside Billy, smiled, and shook hands with him. He then laughed out loud and said to his congregation, "What I will preach to you, you may never remember! What you have just seen, you will never forget. Let's be very careful every day how we live our lives, because we may just be the only bible that some people will ever read!"



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

Kenneth (Ken) McAlernon, Rectory Park
Benny Green, formerly Castor Bay Road

May they rest in Peace!

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 25 SEPTEMBER (VIGIL MASS)

Leo Craig, Thornleigh
William McSherry, Edward Street

SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 9.00AM MASS

Imelda Magee, Oakfield Terrace
Kay Murray, Milltown

SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 10.30AM MASS

Sheila Sadiq, Pakistan
Lily O'Neill, Bayshore

MONDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

Gwen McKenna, Manor Park
Thomas McConville, Arthur Street

TUESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

Anne McCleary, Stevenson Park

WEDNESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

Felím Bates (MM), Edward Street

Ita Jordan, Cypress Gardens
Marie Thornbury, Francis Street
Mickey McCorry, Allenhill Park
Lily Lavery, Grattan Street
Francis Little, St Winifreds Terrace

THURSDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

No Anniversaries

FRIDAY 1 OCTOBER

Lily Stevenson
Brendan Scullion, William Street
Patrick Derby, Downshire Avenue
Jim and Margaret Donnelly, Armagh
Elizabeth Toland, Sloan Street

SATURDAY 2 OCTOBER 10.30am

Margaret Campbell (MM), Rampart Street

Peter and Kathleen McCaherty, Lisburn
Desi McKerr, Killough Gardens
Alice Bernadette McConville,
Edward Street (formerly Lower North Street
Matt McConville, Lower North Street/England

ETERNAL REST GRANT

UNTO THEM, O LORD!

QUB Catholic Chaplaincy

The Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University located on Belfast's Elmwood Avenue has reopened for the new academic year. The Chaplaincy is a vibrant community of faith and friendship at the heart of campus where students feel welcome, listened-to, valued and supported. For more on our liturgy schedule, events, facilities and amazing Café, visit qubcatholic.org The Chaplaincy can't wait to welcome you!

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.

The minimum Diocesan contribution is **£10.00.**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 19 September 2021 £1,110.93

Parish envelopes can continue to be left in Fr. Wright's letter box or in the Parish Office letterbox, both of which are emptied on a continual basis.

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

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

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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 baptised 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.

Given that government restrictions have eased, grandparents and siblings of the baby are now able to attend Baptisms under strict Covid rules and social distancing regulations.

Face masks must be worn and hand sanitisers are provided. It is necessary to use them at all times.

MOBILE PHONES

Please remember to switch off all mobile phones during the sacred celebration of Mass and at all other ceremonies taking place in St Paul's. Thank you

Act of Spiritual Communion

When we cannot attend Mass we can still make an Act of Spiritual communion in which we express our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist and ask Him to unite Himself with us. The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith, Love, a desire to receive Christ, and an invitation to Him to come into your heart.

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street
Adoration Chapel
Private Prayer only
9.00am - 7.00pm

CHRISTMAS OUTING 2021

Due to the large numbers booking this trip, we would be most grateful if you are planning to go, if you could pay a £10 deposit on or before 1st October to secure your place and to let the Canal Court know how many to expect.
Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Noel

TRIDUUM OF PRAY TO ST JOSEPH

To mark the 150th Anniversary of the declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, Pope Francis has proclaimed this year a Year of St Joseph. Churches throughout the Diocese have been asked by Archbishop Eamon Martin to celebrate a Triduum of Pray to St Joseph from **Tuesday 12 to Thursday 14 October 2021.**

More information about the celebration in St Paul's will follow in next weeks bulletin.

