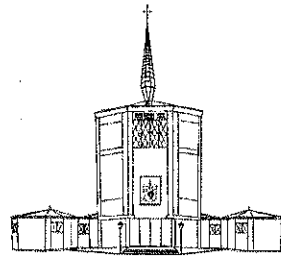


# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKIL

## 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 27 APRIL 2025**  
**2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER**



### 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  
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#### 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**  
**PLEASE** of the week before if they are to be included in the Bulletin

### FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

**Wednesday 30 April - St Pius V Pope**  
1504-72. Dominican, elected pope in 1565, he implemented the reforms of the Council of Trent, including the Breviary, Missal and catechism. He is noted for his defence of Christendom against the Ottoman empire.

**Thursday 1 May - St Joseph Patron of Workers.** The feast, instituted by Pope Pius XII in 1955, proposes the example and intercession of St Joseph as worker and patron of workers. On this date many countries celebrate the dignity of human labour.

**Friday 2 May - St Athanasius, bishop and doctor of the Church.** Born at Alexandria around 295, he fought ceaselessly against the Arian heresy, defending the true and equal divinity of Christ.

**Saturday 3 May - SS Philip and James Apostles.** St Philip asked to see and having seen he tells the good news to others. Formerly a disciple of John the Baptist he became a follower of Christ.

**St James** - He converted many of the people of Jerusalem to the faith and was martyred in the year 62.

### 24-HOUR NUMBER FOR ALL SICK CALLS AND EMERGENCIES

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

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Or visit <https://donate.myдона.com/st-pauls-parish-lurgan>

Scan the QR code. Enter your amount. Input your card details. Please do not forget to Gift Aid



### ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street  
Adoration Chapel  
9.00am to 9.00pm

### ST CATHERINE OF SIENA FEAST TUESDAY 29 APRIL 2025

St Catherine of Siena a 14<sup>th</sup> century mystic, theologian and Doctor of the Church, left behind many profound and inspiring words. Here are three of her most famous quotes:

- 'Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire'**  
This quote emphasizes the importance of embracing one's unique purpose and calling, trusting that God's plan for each person is transformative and powerful.
- 'Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring.'**  
St Catherine reminds us that perseverance and sacrifice are often necessary to accomplish meaningful and lasting good in the world.
- If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world ablaze'.**  
Similar to the first quote, this one encourages living authentically in accordance with God's will, highlighting the impact one person can have when fully aligned with divine purpose.

Prayer of St Catherine of Siena • 29 April  
Eternal God, eternal Trinity, You have made the Blood of Christ so precious through His sharing in Your Divine nature.  
You are a mystery as deep as the sea; the more I search, the more I find, and the more I find, the more I search for You.  
But I can never be satisfied; what I receive will ever leave me desiring more.  
When You fill my soul, I have an ever greater hunger, and I grow more famished for Your light.  
I desire above all to see You, the true Light, as you really are. Amen.



### A REQUIEM MASS

for Pope Francis will be celebrated on

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 7:00 in St Peter's. Alongside this, at all Masses in both Parishes, we will continue to pray for the happy repose of his soul, and all parishioners are encouraged to go into our Churches at any time to light a candle in thanksgiving for his life and service, and to pray for the Church in these coming weeks as a new Pope is elected.

Saints Peter and Paul pray for Pope Francis, for us and for the Church for the loss we feel throughout the whole Catholic Church at this time.



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES 2025

#### St Francis Primary School:

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 12 Noon  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 12 Noon  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 12 Noon

#### Bunscoil Naomh Proinsias

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 12 Noon

#### Carrick, Kingspark and Dickson

Primary Schools  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 12 Noon

#### Ceara School

First Holy Communion and Confirmation  
On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 1.00pm



Proceeds in aid of Lurgan Lourdes Fundraising Committee  
St Peters Parish Hall  
Lurgan

• Saturday 26th April: 6 - 9pm  
• Sunday 27th April: 8 - 2 pm

Refreshments, treats and teddy bears for sale

**ANAM CARA SUPPORTING PARENTS AFTER BEREAVEMENT EVENING ARMAGH CITY HOTEL LAST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH TO JUNE 2025 7.30PM - 9PM 2025**

30th April 28th May 25th June.  
Break July and August.  
Return September

Please join us 085 288 8888  
[www.anamcara](http://www.anamcara) [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)  
Armagh City Hotel, 2 Friary Road, BT60

### DIVINE MERCY MASS

This Sunday, 27th April at 3.00pm in St Patrick's, Derrymacash.

### BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

In light of the death of Pope Francis, and the subsequent postponement of the canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis, the parish will reschedule the 'Celebration of Carlo Acutis' that was to be held at Newry Cathedral at 5.30pm this coming Sunday to a later date.

The Sunday 5.30pm Mass in the Cathedral will be offered instead for Pope Francis with the participation of young people in the liturgy.

The celebration Mass will be rescheduled to align with the new canonisation date.

### A GAP YEAR WITH A DIFFERENCE!

Holy Family Mission (HFM) is a residential Catholic community for young people aged 18-30 who desire to live in a Catholic community for a year to learn about their faith, and how to share it with others. HFM was established in October 2016. This was a response to the great hunger and desire in young people across Ireland to be formed in their faith. We are based in the idyllic and beautiful setting of Glencomeragh House.

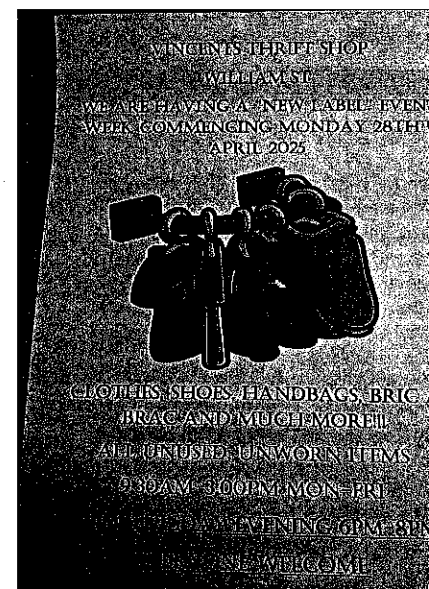
Check out our website:  
<https://www.holyfamilymission.ie>

If you are considering a year with us please phone or email to request an application form:

Phone: 00353 52 613 3181

Email: [info@holyfamilymission.ie](mailto:info@holyfamilymission.ie)

Apply now! Closing Date: 28th April



VINCENT'S THRIFT SHOP  
WILLAMIST  
WE ARE HAVING A NEW TABLE EVENT  
WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 28TH  
APRIL 2025

CLOTHES, SHOES, HANDBAGS, BRIC A BRAC AND MUCH MORE!!

ALL DONATED, UNWORN ITEMS  
9.00AM - 3.00PM MON-FRI

EVENTING 6PM-8PM  
WELCOME

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY - 27 April 2025 • Divine Mercy Sunday

Doubt is not a dead end. It can lead to an intensification of faith. It was not the other apostles who acclaimed Jesus with the words 'My Lord and my God.' Had they realised at last, that Jesus was truly God as well as truly man? They must have been conscious of it, but perhaps not yet come to articulate so overwhelming a truth. It is doubting Thomas who is the first to acclaim, in unforgettable words, the divine Lordship of Jesus.



### 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

**Our Holy Father Pope Francis**  
**Anne Marie Clarke, Allenhill Drive**  
**Terence McCorry, Collingwood Avenue**

**SATURDAY 26 APRIL 7PM (VIGIL MASS)**

John McAreavey, Ennis Close  
Virginia King, Downshire Avenue  
**SUNDAY 27 APRIL 9.00AM MASS**

Paul Headley, Lurgan Tarry

**SUNDAY 27 APRIL 10.30AM**

Joan McKerr, Shankill Street  
Yvonne Kennedy (née Marsden)  
Francis Street/Canada

**MONDAY 28 APRIL 10.00AM**

Hugh News, Woodville Avenue  
Tony Moore, Lakeview Park  
Seamus Lavery, Lavery Avenue

**TUESDAY 29 APRIL 10.00AM**

Moya McKinley, Bangor  
William Joseph Gethins, Oakridge

**WEDNESDAY 30 APRIL 10.00AM**

Margarat Canavan, Drumlin Drive/Derrytrasna

**THURSDAY 1 MAY 10.00AM**

Willie McCleary, Avondale Green  
Una Johnston (née Coleman), Carrigart

**FRIDAY 2 MAY 10.00AM**

May Smyth, Lake Street  
Tommy McConville, Shankill Street

Janice Wright, Minister's Bray, Derryadd  
Frank Derby, Brown Street

**SATURDAY 3 MAY 10.30AM**

No Anniversaries

**SATURDAY 3 MAY 7PM (VIGIL MASS)**

Johnny Mulholland, Ulster Street  
John McCluskey, Francis Street  
Frances Magill, Carrickvale  
Kathleen Magill, Wolfisland Terrace

### 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!

### Thank You



A very sincere thank you to the Knights of St Columbanus who very kindly distributed Palms on Palm Sunday and the

bottled blessed Holy Water at all the Easter Masses at St Paul's and St Peter's Churches. Your time and dedication in the preparation of this work is greatly appreciated.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 20 April, 2025 £2,345.15  
Thank you for your continued generosity to your Parish and your Priests.

### MAY IS TRADITIONALLY DEDICATED TO MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

During this month we honour Mary and seek her prayers for the world. "For all those who have no peace, let us invoke Mary, the woman who brought into the world the Prince of Peace."