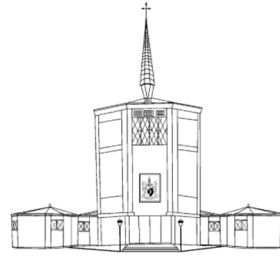


SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL



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.

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
 Mr Stephen Sherry: 07301246329
safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org

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

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For a right to an Education:
 Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE – 1 JANUARY 2025

Theme: Forgive us our trespasses; grant us your peace.
 Forgive us for the war, Lord.
 Lord Jesus, son of God, have mercy on us sinners.
 Lord Jesus, born under bombs, have mercy on us.
 Lord Jesus, dead in the arms of a mother, have mercy on us.
 Lord Jesus, in the 20-year-olds sent to the frontline, have mercy on us.
 Lord Jesus, who continues to see hands armed with weapons under the shadow of the cross, forgive us, Lord.
 Forgive us if, not content with the nails with which we pierced your hand, we continue to drink from the blood of the dead torn apart by weapons.
 Forgive us if these hands that you had created to protect have been turned into instruments of death.
 Forgive us, Lord, if we continue to kill our brother, if we continue like Cain to take the stones from our field to kill Abel.
 Forgive us if we go out of our way to justify cruelty, if, in our pain, we legitimise the cruelty of our actions.
 Forgive us war, Lord.
 Lord Jesus Christ, son of God, we implore you to stop the hand of Cain, enlighten our conscience, let not our will be done, do not abandon us to our own doing. Stop us, Lord, stop us, and when you have stopped the hand of Cain, take care of him also. He is our brother.
 O Lord, stop the violence. Stop us, Lord.

NEW YEAR PRAYER

Eternal God: in your purpose our lives are lived, and by your grace our hopes are bright. Be with us in the coming year, forgiving, leading, and saving; so that we may walk without fear, in the way of Jesus Christ.

OUR PARISH CLERGY

Father Colum Murphy, PP
 Telephone: (028) 3832 3161
Fr Jozef Wozniak: (028) 3834 9338
Father Kingsley Idoghor: (028) 3832 3161
 66-70 North Street, Lurgan BT67 9AH

Fr Colum Wright CC
St Paul's Presbytery
 54 Francis Street
Lurgan BT66 6DL
(028) 3832 7173

colum.wright@btinternet.com

Our Parish Deacon: Rev Kevin Devine (028) 3832 3161

SUNDAY 29 DECEMBER 2024
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



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

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

of the week before 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: and Friday 7:00pm
Saturday 9.30am

Saint Peter's Parish Office

Parish Secretary
 (028) 3832 3161

stpetersparishlurgan@dromorediocese.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

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY IN MEDJUGORJE 2025

Fully escorted trip direct return flights from Dublin.
 26th April - 3rd May
£675. Price increases to £725 after 31st January.
 7-night Pilgrimage with Mona Mitchell and Kathy McColgan.
 Staying near to St James Church with breakfast and dinner.
Spiritual Director -
 Fr Aidan O'Kane CP
 For more information call
 Mona 078 8071 4113 or
 Kathy 077 3434 5181



JUBILEE YEAR 2025

Pope Francis has chosen the Feast of the Holy Family to mark the opening of the Year of Jubilee 2025 in all the diocese of the world. The theme of the Holy Year is 'Pilgrims of Hope'.

Archbishop Eamon Martin will open the Jubilee Year on Saturday 28 December 2024 at 6.00pm in the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Colman, Newry



ADORATION CHAPEL EDWARD STREET

Adoration 9.00am – 9.00am

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 22nd December £2,113.54

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION

To date the total amount received from the Annual Christmas Appeal is **£20,000.00** from our two parishes.

May God reward you for the wonderful generosity you have shown. We appreciate the support you have given the Society.
 May you God bless you and your families.

HOLIDAY MASS TIMES

Thursday 26th December 2024 to Friday 3rd January 2025

- Saint Peter's at 9.30am and
- Saint Paul's at 10.30am

NEW YEARS EVE IN ST PAUL'S

Watch Night Vigil to welcome in 2025
 11.00pm- 12.15am
 Prayer Service and Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 Tea and coffee served afterwards

Feast of the Epiphany – Monday 6th January 2025

St Paul's: Monday 6th at 10.00am

St Peter's: Monday 6th January 2025 at 8.00am and 7.00pm

Normal Mass times will resume from Saturday 4th January 2025

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

ST VINCENT DE PAUL	3832 5725
SAMARITANS	3833 3555
LIFE	3026 7085
ALCOHOLICS ANON	9043 4848
AL-ANON	9068 2368
GAMBLERS ANON	9024 9185
PIPS (Suicide awareness)	3831 0151
CRAIGAVON AREA HOSPITAL	3833 4444
ACCORD (marriage preparation and counselling)	3833 4781
PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE	079 3555 1093

ANAM CARA

Supporting parents after bereavement, are hosting their first **Online Bereavement Information Evening of 2025 on Tuesday 7th of January 2025.** This online talk is for bereaved parents only.

Details of this ONLINE event:
Date: Tuesday 7th of January 2025
Time: 7pm - 8:30pm
Guest Speaker: Niamh Finucane
 Parents can register using the below link:

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

www.anamcara.ie/
info@anamcara.ie



Happy New Year To All

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2025

Heartfelt thanks from Fr Colum Murphy, PP, Fr Jozef Wozniak, Fr Colum Wright, Fr Kingsley and Deacon Rev Kevin Devine

to you, our benevolent parishioners who have, supported us throughout 2024, not least during this Yuletide with your generous Christmas envelopes, cards, gifts and prayers.

Your kindness and generosity is very much appreciated. The holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions. Deacon Kevin and the priests take this opportunity to wish all our parishioners God's blessing for a peaceful, prosperous and Happy New Year.

Athbhliain faoi mhaise oraibh go léir.

QR CODE



St Paul's Parish now accepts online donations.

Scan the QR code with your phone camera to donate.



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

Nathan Francis Worsford, Oakridge
Andrew McGibbon, Rectory Road
Dorothy Haughey née Hearn, Meadowbrook
Mark McMorrow, Lough Road

SATURDAY 28 DECEMBER 10.30AM

Sinead Heaney, Cypress Gardens

SATURDAY 28 DECEMBER VIGIL MASS 7.00PM

No Anniversaries

SUNDAY 29 DECEMBER 9.00AM MASS

Lily McCann, Glenholme Avenue
 Maureen Leathem, Silverwood Drive

SUNDAY 29 DECEMBER 10.30AM MASS

Lelia Quine (MM), Shankill

Gerry (Gerard) Canavan, Manor Drive
 John Hoy, Manor Drive
 Greta Brady, Edward Street
 Mary McCrory, Shankill Street
 Fernando Jose Goncalves, East Timor
 Michael Locke, Garland Avenue
 Pat Coleman, Lough Road
 May Seeley, Beechcourt
 Sean Haughean, Derrytrasna

MONDAY 30 DECEMBER 10.30AM

Ethna McCorry, Thornleigh
 Peter and Maureen Brennan
 formerly Ballymoney Place, Derrymacash

TUESDAY 31 DECEMBER 10.30AM

Maureen Smyth, Manor Drive
 Sean McKendry, Taghnevan

WEDNESDAY 1 JANUARY 2025 10.30AM

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Lelia Brady, Beechcourt
 Conor McGeough, Collingwood Drive
 William Black, Portadown
 Eddie Hand, Castle Lane
 Gerry Canavan, Manor Park

THURSDAY 2 JANUARY 10.30AM

Kieran Crossey, Derrymacash
 Kevin McAlinden, Oakfield Terrace

FRIDAY 3 JANUARY 10.30AM

Alice McCorry, Edward Street
 Annie Teresa McKenna, Edward Street/Brown Street
 Joan McCann, Ulster Street
 Edith Marsden, Francis Street
 Sarah and William Gallagher, Toomebridge
 Rose Ann and John McKerr, Grattan Street

SATURDAY 4 JANUARY 10.30AM

No Anniversaries

SATURDAY 4 JANUARY 7PM (VIGIL MASS)

Vera Toman, Elmwood Terrace
 Angela Lavery, Killough Gardens
 Laim Thornbury, Brett Drive
 Alice Hatchell, Silverwood Drive



VISIT THE CRIB

Picture the Holy Family on that first Christmas night. Say a prayer of thanks for gift of life and family and friendship

PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish Office will re-open on Monday 6th January 2025 at 9.30am.