

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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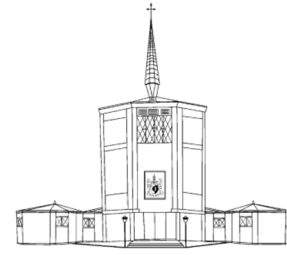
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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND
ADULTS WHO REQUIRE PROTECTION:

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Designated Liaison Person
Mrs Patricia Carville. Tel. 077 8991 7741

Saint Paul's Parish Safeguarding
Representative and Parish Sacristan
Ms Fionnuala Hamill. Tel. 028 3832 1289



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

29 NOVEMBER 2020

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



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 – Patricia McCann
Telephone: (028) 3832 1289

Email: office@stpaulsparishlurgan.org

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm

Please telephone or email the Parish
Office to let us know of anniversaries
or alternatively post them through the
office letterbox
before 12.30pm each Wednesday.



TRÓCAIRE CHRISTMAS GLOBAL GIFT

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 and Seeds
and Tools £10, School Lunches £15, School
Kit £20, Grandparents £40, Goats £40,
Honey Bees £55, Trees £75, Water £85. A
pack of 12 Christmas Cards £4.

*Cards will be available from the Parish Office
when we re-open to visitors.*

This year more than ever with the pandemic,
something as simple as a soap can save a
life.

Thank You



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 – Mrs Marie Brady
(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

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPUTAL HELP

The Novena in St Paul's concludes with
Novena prayers being said at the
10.00am Mass (Virtual) and during the
(Virtual) Holy Hour each Monday.

The Novena in St Peter's concludes this
Tuesday with Novena prayers being
recited at the 8.00am and 7.00pm
(Virtual) Masses.

SVP GIFT AND FOOD APEAL

This year we cannot put up notices,
or a Giving Tree in the churches
because of the safety regulations to
keep the COVID - 19 virus at bay.
So we are doing it virtually.

From the **Giving Tree** we are asking
for gift vouchers, toys and gifts for
the children and adults. **You do not
have to wrap the gifts as it will be
easier to identify the age group and
gender of the persons for whom the
gifts are intended.** The age group
that we find it most difficult to give
to are boys and girls between the
ages of 9 years and 15 years. Gift
vouchers from the Rushmere
Shopping Centre or Sports Shops
are very helpful.

We are also collecting food items to
make hampers. During the month of
November we will collect these. We
have confirmed this with the Food
Bank. We would like to have these
collections completed by **the week of
13th December** so we can be sure
we have enough of the needed items
and gifts. Please continue to leave
your donations at the Parish Office.
Gift vouchers can be left at the
Sacristy.

As always we so appreciate your
generosity and support. We pray for
you each time we meet. May you be
blessed.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Sunday 22 November: £1,314.27

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

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE:

New Covid-19 restrictions from the NI Assembly require the closure of churches
from Friday 27 November for two weeks.

Only weddings and funerals may take place, with only family and close friends in
attendance and limited to 25 people, with social distancing observed in the Church.
Face Masks are mandatory for all attending the Church. Baptisms are postponed
until after the current 'stay at home' restrictions are lifted.

St Paul's Church will be open each week day Monday to Saturday for Private
Prayer from 11.00am to 3.00pm. St Peter's Church will be open each day from
8.30am until 6.00pm.

Masses continue as normal and can be viewed on the Parish webcam on
<https://www.lurganparish.com/stpauls-webcam/> at 10.00am each weekday
morning and at 10.30am on Saturday morning. Sunday Masses will be at 7.00pm
Saturday Vigil Mass and 9.00am and 10.30am Sunday morning.

The Candle Room and toilet facilities will remain closed at this time.

The Parish Offices are closed to visitors but still taking phone calls and e-mails for
anniversaries and any other business.

Offertory envelopes and donations can be left into the sacristy with Fionnuala, at
Father Colum's house or dropped through the Parish Office letterbox. The
letterbox boxes will be emptied frequently.

The Adoration Chapel will be open for Private Prayer only each day from 10.00am
until 7.00pm, with social distancing being observed in the Chapel. The Chapel will
be sanitised each day.

We apologise for the inconvenience and disruption that these changes bring about
for all of us - but be aware that they have been introduced in line with medical
advice as very necessary measures to ensure our utmost safety and wellbeing.
Please note that they will be reviewed on a very regular basis in line with daily
updated advice; restrictions will be relaxed as soon as public health measures
allow.

To answer any queries you may have, you are most welcome to contact the parish
office at (028) 3832 1289 or Father Colum at (028) 3832 7173.

Follow us on Facebook @lurganparish for the latest updates.

Most of all STAY at home, PRAY with us and BE NOT AFRAID



Advent is much more than preparing for Christmas

Reason for Hope

The world can be a wonderful place. It can also be a cold
place, causing us to tremble in the shadows of what is wild
and wintry. All around us there are contrasts; between
those who cheer and those who jeer; between generosity
and greed, love and lust, care and uncare, between the
magnificent and the mean.

In the darkness of December we yearn for hope. Christmas is the true story
of hope happening. It is the warming of a weary world, and it began with a
birth that seemed like any other.

In the silence of night, the infinite became an infant, the Word became flesh.

The Son of God became Human.

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, an Act of 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.



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

Marie Wozniak, Poland
Nuala Moran (née Lavery) Richmount Gardens
Rosie Cassidy née Menary), Glenholme Park

May they rest in Peace

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 28 NOVEMBER (Vigil Mass)

Elizabeth (Betty) Toman, Prospect Way
Margaret Gentle, William Street
Peter and Maureen Brennan, Ballynamoney Park
Carragher Family, Armagh
Deceased Members of
Glann Na Gael Gaelic Football Club

SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER 9.00AM MASS

Mamie Byrne, Gilford
Phelim Brewster, Craigavon

SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER 10.30AM MASS

James and Sarah Jane Scullion, Drumlin Drive
Jim O'Neill (Senior), Ailsbury Gardens
May Seeley, Beechcourt
Bridie Kelly, Springwell Walk
Larry Creaney, College Grove

MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER

Deirdre Muldoon, Monbrief Walk
Colin Monteith, Dungannon

TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER

Noreen McShane, Conor Park
Catherine Corey, Toome
Billy McCaughley, Meadowbrook
Ted McGrann, Manor Park
Lucy McVeigh, Kilwilkie Gardens
Jim French

WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER

Eamon McCluskey, Watford
Sheila Doran (Junior), Kelly Gardens
Patricia McGarrell, Silverwood Drive
Kathleen and Edward Stevenson
Sarah McGeown, Maple Court
Ellie Lavery, Church Walk
Joe Cafolla, Mansfield

THURSDAY 3 DECEMBER

Bridie Magee (MM), Knockramer Meadows
Susie Colman, Waring Street
James Green, Ashwood
Virginia O'Neill, Shankill Street

FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER

No Anniversaries

SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER

William Patrick Blaney, Mansfield
Mary Ellen Blaney, Mansfield
Jim Blaney, Mansfield
Elizabeth and William Leatham, Shankill Street

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord!

Please Note! Anniversaries and Month's Mind
notices that occur up to 3rd January 2021 to be left in
the Parish Office before 12 Noon on Wednesday 23
December 2020.

Thank You

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!*