SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL



SUNDAY 2 MAY 2021 Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

Canon Liam Stevenson, PP VF Telephone: (028) 38323161 Fr Jozef Wozniak, S.Chr Telephone: (028) 3834 9338

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

Our Parish Deacon: Rev Kevin Devine (028) 3832 3161 Email: deaconkevin628@gmail.com



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Sunday

MASS SCHEDULE

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.

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

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021 (ALL AT 12.00 NOON

Saint Francis' School / Bunscoil Naomh Proinsias - Our Parish Primary Schools

R4 Mrs Hoy Friday 7th May 2021
 P4 Miss Camporese Saturday 8th May 2021
 P4 Miss Kavanagh Friday 14th May 2021
 P4 Mrs McManus Saturday 15th May2021

Please Note: Only the parents/guardians of the child can attend the First Holy Communion Ceremony.

Ceara School, Sloan Street -Saturday 5th June at 12 Noon

Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation 12 Noon

Carrick Primary School and King's Park Primary School

- Sacrament of First Holy Communion Saturday 19th June at 12 Noon (St Paul's)
- Sacrament of Confirmation Wednesday 19th May at 6.00pm (St Peters)

Please Note: Only the parents/guardians and sponsor of the child can attend the Confirmation and First Communion Ceremonies.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 25th April 2021 £1,426.20

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

FOOD BANK

A huge thank you to everyone for your generous donations to the food bank.

The door to the parish office area will be open daily from **9am until 11am Monday to Friday** for all donations to be dropped off. **Thank You!**

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 Ms Fionnuala Hamill. Tel. 07563 293429



ADORATION CHAPEL

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



BAPTISMS

With great joy and thanksgiving, we welcome the following children into our parish community:

Oscar and Scarlett Rose McElveen Evie Emilia McCrory-Power

All parents wishing to have a child baptized 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.

Taghnevan Preschool Playgroup

are now taking enrolments for September 2021

Age:- from 2 years 10 months

Places are limited.

The Playgroup operates from 9.30am to 12.30 Monday to Friday

Contact 028 3832 4989

Or email

taghnveanpreschool@gmail.com

Trōcaire

'Trócaire needs our help more than ever. We invite you to leave your Trócaire boxes with Fionnuala in the church sacristy or with Patricia in the parish office.

Please do not leave your Trocaire box unattended!

For Northern Ireland, Government this year has agreed to match-fund all donations that are received by Trócaire here.

Pope urges Catholics to pray in May for end to Covid-19 pandemic

Pope Francis invites Catholics and Marian Shrines around the world to dedicate the month of May to a marathon of prayer for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the Marian month of May to praying for an end to the pandemic.

The initiative, behind which the Pope has thrown his support, involves 30 Marian Shrines from various parts of the world.

The Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization announced the news with a press release on Wednesday afternoon. It takes place under the theme **"The whole Church was fervently praying to God,"** which recalls a verse in the Book of Acts (12:5).

Prayer initiative

"The initiative will involve all the Shrines of the world in a special way, so that they might encourage the faithful, families, and communities to recite the Rosary to pray for an end to the pandemic," read the statement. **Pope Francis will open the**

Marian month of prayer on 1 May with a Rosary broadcast across Vatican Media platforms.

Each day will see Vatican News broadcast the recitation of the Rosary at 6.00 PM Rome time from the various Shines taking part in the initiative. The Pope will also close the initiative on 31 May with another specially-broadcast Rosary.

End to the pandemic

This year's dedication of May to pandemic-related prayer recalls a similar occurrence during the first wave in March 2020.

Pope Francis led the world in prayer during that confusing and difficult time, celebrating a live-streamed, daily Mass in the Casa Santa Marta.

After more than a year, and with the world still in the grips of the pandemic, the Pope and the Church around the world are once again leading the way in imploring God for an end to the suffering which so many people are forced to bear.

UPDATE FROM THE NORTHERN IRELAND EXECUTIVE

There has been a cautious return to public worship.

St Paul's and St Peter's is now open for the limited number of people who can safely attend with social distancing in place. When the congregation reaches the safe, recognized number of places the doors will be closed.

This week the N.I. Executive decided that restrictions in relation to Weddings and Funerals inside church buildings can be officially relaxed:

MARRIAGES AND FUNERALS

- The number permitted to attend weddings and funerals (80) is to be informed by a risk assessment for the venue.
- Pre- and post-funeral gatherings are not permitted.

BAPTISMS

 Attendance at Baptisms will remain exactly the same - child, parents and two Godparents.

Environmental Health has advised all of our current mitigation measures should also continue to apply: (face coverings be worn at all times by everyone within church buildings), hand-sanitizing and social distancing and all other precautions. None adherence to these measures could lead to a fine being imposed.

'Every person should consider carefully if returning to collective worship is the safe and appropriate step for them, at this time. Families are encouraged to join those celebrating the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus in Churches, from the 'domestic church' of their own living rooms, via live-streaming.

Masses can also be viewed via the Parish Webcam

DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 10th May 2021: at 7:30pm The Society will host an online lecture by Larry Breen entitled "Wolfe-Tone - family man"

Larry Breen, originally from Lurgan, is editor of the Journal of the Federation of Local History Societies, and resident in Co. Kildare.

Access to the event will be available from 7:20pm with a start at 7:30pm sharp. A link to the talk can be obtained by emailing the Hon Secretary goss.jjm@gmail.com and will be forwarded on Monday May 10th

MARY'S MEALS FUNDRAISING WALK

Portadown/Lurgan Mary's Meals Group are holding their first event, a relay walk on Monday 3 May at the Craigavon Lakes.

Funds raised will go towards the Ethiopia Crisis Appeal.

The event will run from 8am-8pm.

Walkers are encouraged to sign up for a time and walk in their family

For further details and to book a slot contact:

Seamus Mallon on 07974 356381.

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

Geraldine Leathem (née Campbell), Portadown Road Loretta Campbell (née McGreavey), St Paul's Place Philomena McAlinden, Portadown Road Monica Forker, Allenhill Park Noel O'Neill, formerly Tullydagan Road

May they rest in Peace

MONTHS MINDS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SATURDAY 1 MAY (VIGIL MASS)
Isobel (Abby) Watterson (MM)
Hillcourt (formerly Moira)

John McGeown, Maple Court Ellen O'Malley Arthur Street

SUNDAY 2 MAY 9.00AM MASS Mary (May) Smyth, Lake Street

SUNDAY 2 MAY 10.30AM MASS
Tommy McConville, Shankill Street
Terence and Kathleen McKeown, Silverwood

Una Johnston, Carrigart, Craigavon MONDAY 3 MAY

Johnny Mulholland, Ulster Street John McCluskey, Francis Street

TUESDAY 4 MAY

Mary Menary, Thornleigh
Marie Murtagh, Ashwood
Patrick McAvoy, formerly Castle Lane
Elizabeth Lappin, Craigavon
Marie Doran, Taghnevan

WEDNESDAY 5 MAY

Eugene McConville, Albert Street Jack Lyness, Cypress Gardens

THURSDAY 6 MAY

Father Pat Towe, South Africa

FRIDAY 7 MAY

James McAtasney, Silverwood Drive William K Patterson, formerly North Street

SATURDAY 8 MAY 10.30am

Daniel J Harte (Junior), Turmoyra Isobel McStravick, Aghagallon

Eternal Rest Grant on to 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!

Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind

Requests for anniversaries and Month's Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office before 12 Noon each Wednesday.

The minimum diocesan stipend is £10.00.