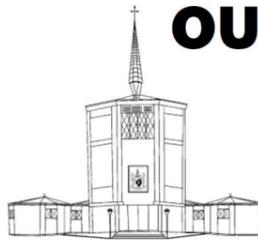


# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

## 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.

**SUNDAY 31 AUGUST 2025**  
22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

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Parish App: Parish365  
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Saint Vincent de Paul  
William Street:  
(028) 3832 5725

"Volunteers needed. Please give your time"

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND ADULTS WHO REQUIRE PROTECTION: Dromore Diocesan Designated Liaison Person**

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

### THE ST PAUL'S FAMILY MASS

will resume on Sunday 14 September 2025 at the 10.30am Mass.

The Children's Liturgy Group will be calling on the children to participate in this Mass by doing the readings or the prayers of the faithful and taking part in the offertory procession.

If your child who would like to take part, please see one of the leaders after the 10.30am Mass.  
Thank You.



### ST PAUL'S JUNIOR CHOIR IS RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

Do you love to sing and make music? Aged 8-18years? Then consider joining our choir!

Our choir sing at the 10.30am Family Mass each Sunday, starting back on **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September.**

We are open to all, with boys and girls from every school, from Primary 4 up to Year 14. No previous experience needed, there are no auditions. We have weekly rehearsals on a Tuesday afternoon with lots of learning, fun and friendship along the way!

Get in touch through the Parish Office to leave your details and we will get in touch or else speak to Pat McAlinden, (choir director) at the piano on Sunday after 10.30am Mass.

Our first rehearsal for new and returning members will be Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September. We have another packed schedule ahead for 2025 for everyone to look forward to! Pat, Marie Thérèse, Kerrie and Briège.

**"To sing is to pray twice" St. Augustine**

### PRAYER REQUESTS

The Sisters of Mercy "Bethany" 34 Point Road, Dundalk welcome any person who may wish to request prayers. All requests are confidential. Tel: 00 353 42933 1602 9.00a.m. - 9.00p.m. daily. One of the sisters will be happy to listen and pray with you.

### A CELEBRATION OF THE CANONISATION OF SAINT CARLO ACUTIS

SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER  
MASS AT 5.30 p.m  
Cathedral of St Patrick and St Colman, Newry

All Welcome, especially Families and Young People

Refreshments Afterwards in Newry Parish Centre

### ENROLMENT

for the next season of all Irish classes will take place in Gaelic League premises on Monday 1st September at 7.00pm to 8.30pm.  
All welcome.

Could we ask that if anyone has any old photos or literature/stories connected with the Gaelic League down the years we would be most interested in seeing same - as we are in the process of compiling a history on our 50th anniversary in Lurgan.

### FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September St Gregory the Great, pope and doctor of the Church** - A Roman noble who was prefect of the city before becoming a monk. As Pope he established a pattern for the papacy in years to come. He sent missions to Lombardy, Sardinia and England. He is Patron of musicians.

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September - St MacNissi** Took his name from his mother Ones or Ness. It is claimed that Patrick baptized him and taught him the psalms. He chose the district of Connor for his hermitage, but later became bishop of his clan. He died early in the sixth century.

**Sunday 7 September - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary** - We celebrate The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary who brought the dawn of hope and salvation to the world. She is the true Ark of the Covenant, the temple of God, because her body received the one Mediator.

### JUBILEE YEAR OPPORTUNITIES AT LOUGH DERG AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER

**One Day Retreats - Guided Days of Prayer and Reflection** - places available on August 30<sup>th</sup>, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>

**Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September** - special devotions and blessing with Carlo Acutis Relic.

Admission €50. Group discounts available. Advance Booking Essential.

**Pilgrim Path Lake Shore Pilgrimage** - *In the footsteps of pilgrims through the centuries* Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August. Guided 8km & 12km walk options available. Admission €25. Advance Booking Essential

**Quiet Day Retreat** - *Come apart by yourself, and rest for a while* - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Admission €40 includes refreshments and lunch. Advance booking essential.

**CONTACT by email.** [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) / Tel. 0(0353) 719861518  
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**There is still time to collect your Lough Derg Pilgrim Passport Stamp**  
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### BIBLE STUDY FIRST THURSDAY EVERY MONTH

Next: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm (room above the sacristy in St Peter's).  
**Topic:** The Road to Emmaus - then and now

Believe it or not, sales of the Bible and conversions to Catholicism have recently soared among 'Gen Z' around the world (look it up). As they seek truth, meaning and tradition, many young people (especially men) are rediscovering the value of scripture. However, this can become a solo pursuit through podcasts and YouTube, remaining quiet and invisible. If this resonates with you, or you'd like an open community to explore the Bible with, this event is for you.

### RECRUITMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Convent of Mercy Edward Street, Lurgan require a part-time maintenance person/ caretaker /gardener to work 24 hours per week.

If you are interested please contact Convent of Mercy on (028) 3832 2635.

### TAGHNEVAN MOTHER'S @ TODDLERS

will be resuming on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September from 10.30am to 12.30pm.**

All Welcome

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Status-seeking is rampant in our world. Many people seek fame, power and recognition. Fame may look glamorous. However, almost every day in the newspaper or on television we hear stories of how the famous and the glamorous have fallen or been disgraced, often by their own choices.

Today Jesus encourages us to be content with what seems to be the lowly and least. Often it is in the small and seemingly insignificant gifts of everyday life where we may experience the greatest love, joy, peace and contentment.

Today be mindful and notice the many small gifts you receive.

Thank the giver and thank God!



### 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

**Eleanor Dolores McGibbon (née Moore), Killough Gardens**

**Leanne Conway, Northwood**

**Kathleen Henderson (née Rooney) Stevenson Park**

**Michael McConville**

**Wales formerly Shankill Street**

**SATURDAY 30 AUGUST 10.30AM**

Mary Greene, Kiln Lodge, Silverwood  
Daniel McConville, Derryall Road, Portadown  
Jean Murray, Hill Street

**SATURDAY 30 AUGUST 7.00PM (VIGIL MASS)**

**Oliver Loughran (MM), formerly Shankill Street**

Kathleen Haughey, Francis Street  
Elizabeth Leatham, Boconnell Lane  
Maggie and Barney Dummigan, Sloan Street

**SUNDAY 31 AUGUST 9.00AM**

Marie Green, Kiln Lodge

**SUNDAY 31 AUGUST 10.30AM**

Patricia (Pat) Lavery, Furlong Avenue

**MONDAY 1 MONDAY SEPTEMBER 10.00AM**

Ben Haughian, Mansefield

Robbie Williams, Lough Road  
Marie Green, Hawthorne Avenue  
John McConville, Ballinary Road North

Bridget McNally, Ailsbury Park

Ian Kelly, Ashdene Park

Terence (Terry) McMahon, Gilpins Manor

**TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM**

Maureen Derby, Brown Street

Rosaleen Cassidy, Monbrief Walk

Pat McStravick, Cherrytree Walk

Geraldine McKenna, Knockramer

Sean Curran, New Street

**WEDNESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM**

Lily Thornbury, Shankill Street

Margaret Fox, Wellington Street

Jackie O'Neill (née Mallon), The Grange

**THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM**

Mary Martin, New Street

Charles Scullion, Francis Street

Kathleen Hill, Magheralin

Lily Maxwell, Oakridge

Elizabeth McGeown, Silverwood/Carrickmacross

Seamus Loughran, Cafolla Gardens

**FRIDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM**

Laura McCluskey, Shankill Street

Molly McConaghy, Brownlow Terrace

Annie Dummigan, Silverwood Drive

Roisin Scullion, Richmount Gardens

Eilish Scullion, Derrytrasna

**SATURDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 10.30AM**

Florrie Cafolla, Parkview Street

**SATURDAY 30 AUGUST 7.00PM (VIGIL MASS)**

No Anniversaries

### 'COME AND SEE.'

An invitation to 'come and see' what Lectio Divina is all about.

There will be an introduction to Lectio Divina beginning Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September from 10.30-12pm in the Lectio Centre, Dominic Street, Newry. Many are finding in Lectio a way to deepen their relationship with God, with Jesus, with their neighbour and with their own true selves. No previous knowledge of Scripture required. All are welcome! Drop in or phone the Lectio Centre for more information or to book a place. This could be for 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

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#### Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm

Requests for Anniversaries/Month's Mind

**PLEASE HAVE ANNIVERSARIES IN THE PARISH OFFICE BY 12 NOON**

**EACH WEDNESDAY of the week**

**BEFORE if you want them included**

**in the Bulletin**

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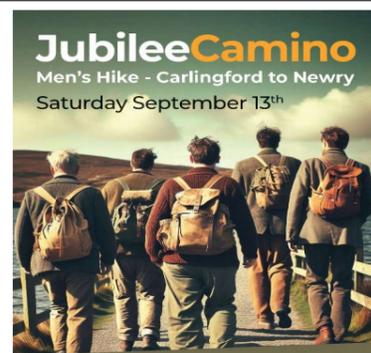


### ADORATION CHAPEL EDWARD STREET Adoration 9am to 9pm

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday 17 August 2025 £2,169.08  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 £2,377.82

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



Men's hike - Sat Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 20kms, on greenway, from Dominican abbey (ruin) in Carlingford to Newry (St Catherine's) via Newry Cathedral

(Jubilee Indulgence). Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions and Fraternity.

Registration and details on

[www.dominicans.ie/events](http://www.dominicans.ie/events)

€70 (Lunch, dinner and bus),

over 18's male event.

Enquiries to [op.evangelisation@gmail.com](mailto:op.evangelisation@gmail.com)