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 talent are most welcome. May God bless all of us.

Canon Liam Stevenson, PP Fr Jozef Wozniak, S.Chr Fr Brian Fitzpatrick, CC

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PARISH CLERGY

Parish Deacon: Rev Kevin Devine (028) 3832 3161

ST PAUL'S PARISH

SUNDAY 3 MAY 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY

OF EASTER

Sunday

Vigil 7:00pm (Saturday); 9:00am, 10:30am and 12:00noon.

> Weekdays Monday to Friday: 10:00am

> > Saturday: 10:30am

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

While public worship is suspended, please phone parish office to make appointment with a priest.

Saint Paul's Parish Office

Parish Secretary - Ms Patricia McCann (028) 3832 1289 office@stpaulsparishlurgan.com

Office Hours Monday-Tuesday & Thursday-Friday

9:00am-12:30pm Wednesday 1:00pm - 4:30pm

ST PETER'S PARISH **MASS SCHEDULE**

Fr Colum Wright, CC

54 Francis Street.

Sunday

Vigil 6:00pm (Saturday); 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am (po polsku) and 12:15pm.

Weekdays

Monday to Friday: 8:00am Monday and Wednesday: 10:30am Tuesday and Friday: 7:00pm Saturday: 9:30am

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

While public worship is suspended. please phone parish office to make appointment with a priest.

Saint Peter's Parish Office

Parish Secretary – Mrs Marie Brady (028) 3832 3161 office@stpetersparishlurgan.com

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

LIFELINE CRISIS

is a response helpline service for

people who are experiencing distress

or despair.

Tel FREE on 0808 808 8000

VOCATIONS SUNDAY

"When the shepherd has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice."

Have you heard the shepherd's voice, asking and calling you to tend his sheep? It is a life of joy and collaboration, of fatigue and praise, of deep fulfilment.

If you're thinking God might be calling you to serve his people as a priest or in the consecrated life, enquire with info@vocations.ie, or with Fr Tony Corr, the Diocesan Vocations Director (tonymcorr@aol.co.uk), or speak to any of our local priests.

"Take courage, it is I! Be not afraid."

(Matt 14:27)

24-hour number for all sick calls and emergencies Tel: (028) 3832 3161

Parish web: www.lurganparish.com Facebook: @lurganparish

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. 028 3832 1289

ROSARY DURING MONTH OF MAY

Pope Francis has issued a short letter to all Catholics on devotion to Our Lady during May, particularly through the rosary. He invites us to add two prayers at the end of the rosary during May. Here is the shorter of the two for your own use:

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your

'Protectress of God's people', you know our needs, and we know that you will provide,

so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to your protection, O holy Mother of God; despise not our prayers in our necessities, but ever deliver us from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

For the full letter, just search 'Pope's May letter' online.

Rosary is said in St Paul's after the 9am Mass on Sundays, 10am Mass Monday to Friday, and the 10:30am Mass on Saturdays; also in St Peter's after the 8am Mass Sunday to Friday and the 9:30am Mass on Saturdays.

CEMETERIES REOPENED

The Dougher and St Colman's Cemeteries reopened last weekend since Stormont lifted the restriction. We thank all the parishioners who respected the closure for four weeks. All other social distancing measures remain in place, so with cemeteries now accessible for visits, please only attend as part of your daily exercise and keep at least 2 metres from anyone not part of your household.

Please also note it will **not** be possible for Cemetery Sunday to be held in May as usual. We will keep the situation under review and look to a time when public gatherings are permissible and safe.

Attendance at all funerals and burials remains limited to ten people maximum. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

OFFERTORY PROMISE: AVAILABLE ONLINE

New offertory envelopes will be available as soon as it is safe and legitimate to leave home. However, is this the opportunity when you could move to the online option of supporting your parish and clergy? A secure facility with MyEasyPay on the diocesan website is now available to make a monthly or one-off donation to your own parish or priests. and in future, to special collections.

Your donation entirely goes to the parish you choose, or to supporting clergy. You simply choose your own parish where you wish your donation to go.

To try for yourself, go to www.dromorediocese.org and click on DONATE on the home page. Thank you to those who have signed up already, and our appreciation to all for your support and generosity at this demanding time.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place four days a week while the churches remain closed. The Holy Hour will open and close with some brief public prayer, but most of the time will be given over to silence for your personal devotion, or to gather your family and friends round for some prayer time together with the Risen Jesus.

So please join us from 3-4pm, as indicated below:

Monday and Wednesday at 3pm—St Paul's webcam

Thursday and Saturday at 3pm—St Peter's webcam

"He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognised him." (Lk 24:30-31)

PASTORAL VISITS TO THE SICK

Priests continue to be available to visit the seriously ill and bring the sacraments to them in most areas of the hospitals and to private homes in spite of the pandemic. If you or a loved one require a priest urgently, please phone 3832 3161, or hospital switchboard (3833 4444). If a priest is not admitted to the ward, he will pray on the phone with the sick person if possible.

Chaplains are also routinely available to support hospital staff at the present time. Phone 3833 4444 10am-12noon, or 3083 5000 from 2pm-4pm any day



BULLETINS

Printed copies of St Paul's bulletin available from:

- Paper Chase, Edward Street
- Farrell's Shop & Garage, Francis Street
- Greene's Premier, Taghnevan
- Eurospar, Gilpinstown Road Please take copies for those who cannot access the bulletin online.

TRÓCAIRE RETURNS

Trócaire returns are preferred by phone or online this year, if possible.

Freephone: 0800 912 1200 Online: www.trocaire.org Alternatively, please drop your return in an envelope through the parish office letterbox.

Thank you for your support

COVID 19 - COUPLES AND RELATIONSHIPS SUPPORT LINE

This time of lockdown when we are thrown together all day, every day can be a time of unprecedented stress and pressure on family life. ACCORD are available if you need to speak to an EXPERIENCED COUPLES AND RELATIONSHIP COUNSELLOR during this time. Speak in confidence to an Accord counsellor on (028) 9568 0151 between 9.00 am -8.00pm Monday to Friday.

FOOD BANK

All calls charged at local rate.

The Food Bank in St Paul's is open again for donations. Items may be left at the parish office Monday - Friday, 11.00am -12.15pm Thank you for your continued support

Tony Moore, Craigavon

died recently:

David Culbert, Meadowbrook Moya McGinley, Bangor, formerly Ashwood

sincere sympathy, prayers and support to

the family members of those who have

REMEMBER THEM, O LORD

As parishioners we offer our

May they rest in peace

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES

We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur this coming week:

SATURDAY 2 MAY (VIGIL Mass)

Kathleen McAlinden, Wolfisland Terrace Terence & Kathleen McKeown, Silverwood

SUNDAY 3 MAY - 9am Mass

No anniversaries

SUNDAY 3 MAY - 10.30 Mass

Aloysius Breen, Church Road, Derryadd John McCluskey, Francis Street

SUNDAY 3 MAY - 12 Noon Mass

Alice Martin, Francis Street

MONDAY 4 MAY

Mary Menary, Thornleigh Elizabeth Lappin, Craigavon

TUESDAY 5 MAY

Eugene McConville, Albert Street Eileen Christie (née McCaughley), Silverwood Drive

WEDNESDAY 6 MAY

Father Pat Towe OMI, South Africa

THURSDAY 7 MAY

No anniversaries

FRIDAY 8 MAY

Daniel J. Harte, Turmoyra Isobel McStravick, Aghagallon Donald and Sheila McCaughley Silverwood Drive

SATURDAY 9 MAY - 10.30am Mass David (Davy) Quinn, Prospect Way

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

As the Parish Office is closed to visitors until further notice, please telephone or email the Parish Office to let us know of anniversaries:

Telephone: (028) 3832 1289

Email: office@stpaulsparishlurgan.org Thank you for your patience

Remember: KEEP YOUR DISTANCE, STAY AT HOME AND KEEP SAFE