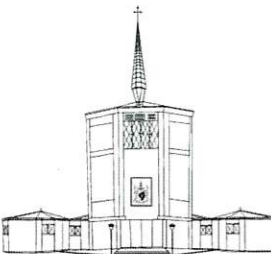


# SAINT PAUL'S PARISH, SHANKILL

## 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 5 APRIL 2026**  
**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**OF THE LORD'S**  
**RESURRECTION**

**OUR PARISH CLERGY**

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### 24-HOUR NUMBER FOR ALL SICK CALLS AND EMERGENCIES

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Parish web: [www.lurganparish.com](http://www.lurganparish.com)  
Facebook: @lurganparish  
Parish App: Parish365  
Download App Store or Google Play

**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  
Mr Stephen Sherry: 07301246329  
[safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org](mailto:safeguardingdirector@dromorediocese.org)

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

### NOTICE

It has once again come to our attention that some young people are gaining entry to, and seriously vandalising the vacant school sites in our town. We are aware that these young people are from Lurgan and also from surrounding areas, and some have recently been caught by the police and are awaiting prosecution.

The last thing we want to see is any young person making a silly mistake that will jeopardise their future, and so we ask them in particular that they please stop what they are doing. This not only puts their own future prospects at risk, but also puts at serious risk the provision for special educational needs in the entire area.]

We also appeal to all parents to please be extra vigilant about what their children may be doing when they are in Lurgan at weekends and school holidays in particular, both for the sake of their own children, and for the sake of education for all children and young people in our community.

We would ask the entire community to be aware of anything suspicious happening on these sites, and to report anything they might be aware of to the police at 101, or at 999 if it is an emergency.

We thank everyone for their continued vigilance and support for this very important matter.

Together let us work to provide outstanding and essential education to every child in our community and beyond.

Fr. Colum Murphy, PP  
Parishes of St Peter's and St Paul's, Lurgan



### REMEMBER THEM O LORD

As parishioners we offer our sincere sympathy, prayers and support to the family members of those who have died:

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

#### SATURDAY 4 APRIL 2026 9.00PM VIGIL MASS

**Laura Hadaway (MM), Drumellan Park**  
Eileen McConaghy, Woodville Grove  
Jennifer McGeown (née Haughey), Collingdale  
Sarah Greene, Ashwood  
Aidan Brankin, Portadown  
Tommy Haddock, Shankill Street

#### SUNDAY 5 APRIL 2026 9.00AM

No Anniversaries

#### SUNDAY 5 APRIL 2026 10.30AM

Sheila Doran, New Street  
Tommy Magee, Victoria Street  
Kathleen Lyness, Riverglade  
Maura Greene, Ashwood

#### MONDAY 6 APRIL 2026 10.30AM

Philomena Wallace, Ardglass, Co Down  
Kathleen McCorry, Taghnevan/Tannaghmore South  
Mary Hamilton, Meadowbrook, Craigavon

#### TUESDAY 7 APRIL 2026 10.30AM

Ann McMahan, Mansefield  
Mary Jane Green, Sloan Street  
Dermot Findon, Cherrytree Walk

#### WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL 2026 10.30AM

**Fiona McFadden (MM), Princes Close**  
Denis McCaughley, Churchill Park, Portadown

#### THURSDAY 9 APRIL 2026 10.30AM

Marie Reynolds, Lough Road  
Victor Allen, Lough Road  
William Leathem, Shankill Street  
Margaret McAtasney, Ashwood

#### FRIDAY 10 APRIL 2026 10.30AM

Conor McConaghy, Downshire Avenue  
Thomas Leathem, Kilwilkie Road  
Edward McConville, Silverwood Drive  
Ryan McConville, Cranny Terrace, Bleary  
Margaret (Maggie) Kelly  
Raughlan Meadows Derrymacash

#### SATURDAY 11 APRIL 2026 10.30AM

Margaret McGibbon, Portadown Road  
Kathleen McCrory, Beechcourt

#### SATURDAY 11 APRIL 2026 7.00PM VIGIL MASS

Josephine Forker, Manor Park  
Theresa and Paddy (Junior) Brankin, Portadown  
William and Elizabeth Hand, Castle Lane

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!

#### PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish office will be closed Monday 6<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April for the Easter Holiday.  
Re-open on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

#### ANAMCARE EVENT

*Supporting Parents After Bereavement*  
Online Bereavement Information Evening will take place online on  
**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
**7.00pm - 8.30pm**  
For all bereaved parents

Our professional speaker this month is Bryan Nolan. Bryan has an M.A. in Healthcare Chaplaincy from DCU and is a Certified Healthcare Chaplain with specialisations in end-of-life, grief, and loss care. He has worked with the Irish Hospice Foundation for over 13 years. Bereaved parents are warmly invited to register here:

[Register here for Anam Cara Online Bereavement Information Evening](https://www.anamcara.com/online-bereavement-information-evening)



### 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  
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Email:

[stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org](mailto:stpaulsparishlurgan@dromorediocese.org)

#### Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12.30pm  
**Requests for Anniversaries and Month's Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon on the Wednesday prior to the week before if they are to be included in the Bulletin.**

**The minimum diocesan stipend is £10. ENVELOPES ARE PROVIDED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH WHICH WE WOULD ASK YOU TO PLEASE USE.**

#### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection  
5 April 2026

The miracle of the Resurrection, and the theology of that miracle, comes first: the biography comes later as a comment on it. Nothing could be more unhistorical than to pick out selected sayings of Christ from the gospels and to regard those as the datum and the rest of the New Testament as a construction upon it. The first fact in the history of Christendom is the number of people who say they have seen the Resurrection. If they had died without making anyone else believe this 'gospel' no gospels would ever have been written.

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

St Paul's Parish now accepts ONLINE DONATIONS Just scan the QR code with your phone camera to donate



Or visit <https://donate.myдона.com/st-pauls-parish-lurgan>



### 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](mailto: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



#### BAPTISMS

With great joy and thanksgiving we welcome the following child into our parish community who was baptized recently in St Paul's:

**Matilda Marshall-Masson**  
**Cora Rose Gorman**

All parents wishing to have a child baptized in St Paul's Parish, must notify the Parish Office in person.

**ONE MONTH'S NOTICE IS REQUIRED**  
Baptisms take place on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.



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

#### LURGAN CONRADH NA GAELILGE

Would like to thank everyone who donated to our collection on St Patrick's Day  
£1,396.39 was raised.

Go raibh mile mhaith agaibh.

#### THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION

##### For priests in crisis:

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

#### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

12 APRIL 2026

St Patrick and St Ronan's Church,  
Magheralin

2.00pm Holy Hour (possibility of Confessions)  
2.00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet  
3.15pm Solemn Mass  
Public veneration of the First Class Relic of St Faustina Kowalska and her confessor Blessed Father Sopocko

#### THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH GROUP

Presents - The Quiet Shuffling of Feet - an award winning documentary exploring Conflict, Trauma and Recovery in Northern Ireland.

A very personal film, the remarkable story of a humanitarian faced with unbearable trauma. (The Newsletter) A powerful film that has a sorrow to it, but also a sense of inner gentleness. (The Irish News).

Wednesday, April 15 at 7:30pm in the Jethro Center.  
Special Q and A with the author, David Bolton and filmmaker Fergus Cooper.

#### APOSTOLATE OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Carlo Acutis Teenagers Retreat at Knock  
19th April.

13-19 years. Limited to 120.  
Must pre-book.

Led by Fr Patrick Cahill, Holy Family Mission.  
11am-2.30pm in the Prayer Centre.  
To include Games, Testimonies, Basic catechesis, Crafts Lunch provided & Gift Pack for each participant.  
Youth travel free. Adults £25.  
Coach leaving Divine Mercy Shop, William Street @ 7.30am .

To book/more info call Louise 0755753 7568

#### EASTER WEEK

**Easter Sunday Masses** 9.00am and 10.30am

**Weekday Masses for Easter Week: Monday to Saturday**

**St Peter's - 9.30am (only) and St Paul's - 10.30am**

**Easter Monday Mass po polsku; 10.30am.**

WISHING ALL OUR PARISHIONERS A VERY HAPPY EASTER

#### AN EASTER MESSAGE

This is the peace of the Risen Christ, a disarming and humble and preserving peace. It comes from God. God, who loves all of us, without any limits or conditions. Let us keep in our ears the weak but always brave voice of Pope Francis, who blessed Rome - the Pope who blessed Rome and the world that day on the morning of Easter.

Allow me to continue that same blessing. God loves us, all of us, evil will not prevail. We are all in the hands of God. Without fear, united, hand in hand with God and among ourselves, we will go forward. We are disciples of Christ, Christ goes before us, and the world needs His light. Humanity needs Him like a bridge to reach God and His love. You help us to build bridges with dialogue and encounter so we can all be one people always in peace.

Pope Leo XIV Easter 2025

#### DOWN'S & PROUD DAY

is on Saturday 11th April in The Woodville Arms

Children's Fun Day 2.00 - 4.00pm  
Adults Quiz and Disco 8.00pm till late

All welcome, tickets available from The Woodville

#### LOST

A multicolored Crucifix with small gold cross and medal attached.

If found, please leave into the Parish Office or with our Sacristan.

#### AN EASTER SUNDAY FAMILY TABLE PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you that on this glorious day of your resurrection, you are in our midst. We welcome you to our Easter table. Bless this food and our family and fill us with the joy of your Resurrection Life. May this meal remind us of your endless grace and the promise of new beginnings. In your holy name, we pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN MARY AT EASTER

Blessed are you, O Mary, silent witness of Easter! You, O Mother of the Crucified One now risen, who at the hour of pain and death kept the flame of hope burning, teach us also to be, amongst the incongruities of passing time, convinced and joyful witnesses of the eternal message of life and love brought to the world by the Risen Redeemer.

Pope St John Paul II, 2004