

St Peter’s Parish, Shankill

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BULLETIN

11th OCTOBER 2026 – TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8am, & 12.00 noon
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8am
Tuesday & Friday 8am & 7pm
ST PAUL’S CHURCH
Sunday: 9am & 10.30am,
Monday–Friday: 10am
Saturday: 10.30 am & 7pm (Vigil)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Friday 6.00pm - 6.45pm

OFERTORY COLLECTION
4th October- £3513.12
Plus, Standing Orders £303.60 weekly
Donations – £30.00
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.


We welcome the following children into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism

Ríán Andriú Moore, Millennium Place
Phoebe Grace Henderson, Victoria Street

Eden Ann McManus-Wright, Headington Manor

Our prayers and good wishes are extended to their families

All parents wishing to have a child baptised in St Peter’s Parish, must notify the Parish Office in person.
One month’s notice is required. Baptisms take place on the first, third & fifth Sunday of each month

Sunday 18th October Mission Sunday
Next weekend parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. The Holy Father’s annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries.
The kindness shown will help overseas missionaries to continue to share the love of God with some of the world’s most marginalised and vulnerable people.
Thank you for supporting in whatever way you can, and please remember it is more than an appeal for financial help. Missionaries also need spiritual support.

On World Mission Sunday missionaries take great strength in knowing that the faithful of the world are keeping them in their thoughts and prayers.
To learn more, go to www.mission.ie

OCTOBER DEVOTION:
With Fr Kingsley
There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession, and Rosary from 6:30pm. Benediction by 7pm each Wednesday in October at St Peter’s Church.
All welcome "

The Rosary is not an optional extra. It has the potential to transform our lives if we are willing. So where does that leave us who genuinely find it difficult to concentrate whilst praying the Rosary?
Despite feeling I don’t pray the Rosary particularly well, over the last few years in which I’ve been praying it on a daily basis, there are several things I’ve come to realize. Whilst we can pray the Rosary to varying degrees of perfection, it is not really possible to pray the Rosary badly. Although we should always hope that we might learn to pray the Rosary better, we are never worse off for praying it.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

The Novena in St Peter’s will commence this Tuesday 13th October and will continue for nine weeks concluding on the 8th December.
The Novena prayers will be recited At the 8.00am and 7.00pm Masses.
The Novena in St Paul’s will commence on Monday 12th October and will continue for nine weeks concluding on 7th December. The Novena prayers will be recited at the 10.00am Mass daily.

OCTOBER ROSARY
Lurgan Lourdes Committee will be reciting the Rosary at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto in Kilwilke Monday evening (12th) @ 7.00pm.
Next Monday (19th), Rosary will be recited at St Paul’s Grotto @ 7.00pm
Everyone welcome

Fr Kingsley and members of the Parish Prayer Group will be carrying out Apostolic Work of Mercy sometime in October/November this year, to visit sick parishioners, the lonely or the housebound, to say the Rosary with them, or a wee chat and to let them know they are not alone because the parish remembers and always prays for them. If you or your family would like a visit, could you please leave your name and address into the Parish Office. This will help Fr Kingsley and the Prayer Group to plan the visit.

NOVENA PRAYER
Mother of Perpetual Help with the greatest confidence we come before your holy picture to be inspired by the example of your life. We think of you at that moment when, full of faith and trust, you accepted God’s call to be mother of his Son. Help us, your children to accept with joy our own calling in life. When you learned that your cousin Elizabeth was in need you immediately went to serve her and offer your help. Help us, like you, to be concerned for others. We think of you Mother at the foot of the cross. Your heart must have bled to see your Son in agony. But your joy was great when he rose from the dead victorious over the powers of evil. Mother of sorrows help us to realise that we must expect trials and disappointments. Help us not to lose heart. May we share with you and your Son the joy of having courageously faced up to all the challenges of life. Amen.

QUOTES FROM ST TERESA OF AVILA – Feast 15 October
‘It is foolish to think we will enter heaven without entering into ourselves.’
‘Love turns work into rest.’
‘The closer one approaches to God, the simpler one becomes.’
‘Thank God for the things that I do not own.’

MORNING REFLECTION PRAYER FOR SELF-CONFIDENCE
Heavenly Father, thank you or a gift of a new day. As I begin this morning, help me to remember my worth I’d found in you and not in the opinions of others or in my own doubts. Fill my heart with confidence, not pride, but the quiet assurance that I am created with purpose and loved without condition. Help me to recognise the gifts you have placed within me and give me the courage to use them wisely. When fear or insecurity tries to take hold, remind me that I do not walk alone. Strengthen my mind, guide my words, and help me face each challenge with faith rather than worry. Teach me to believe in the person you are shaping to become. May I carry myself with kindness, speak with confidence, and trust that your plans for me are good. Today, let me walk with peace, knowing that I am because I am yours. Amen

MUSICAL EVENING AT THE CELLAR BAR
Friday 23rd October 7.30pm.
Admission £5. Pay at the door
All proceeds to Evora Hospice formerly Southern Area Hospice


Great Bargains! **INDOOR CARBOOT SALE** Everyone Welcome!
North Lurgan Community Centre
Sunday 8th November
11am – 2pm
Vendors will be selling:
Preloved Treasures, Toys, Books, DVDs, Clothes, Baked Goods, Baby Resources, Prams, and much more!
Please come along and support us as we raise money for Drumnamee Nursery School!
Drumnamee Nursery School
Kindness, Inclusion, Nurture, Growth.
Brighter Beginnings for a Brighter Tomorrow
Scan here to hire a table at the sale!
Small Items Make a Big Difference!

Queen’s Catholic Chaplaincy is delighted to welcome **Dr Paul Shrimpton**, writer, historian and scholar of St John Henry Newman, for a public lecture exploring Newman’s vision of **human flourishing at university** – and what it might still have to say to universities and society today.
Monday 12 October, 7.00pm
Queen’s Catholic Chaplaincy, 30–38 Elmwood Avenue, Belfast
Students, staff, alumni and friends are warmly welcome.
Admission free.

THE DAIRE ROONEY APPEAL
24-track CD on sale
‘SPADETOWN’
Local Artists, plus special guest Kevin Kearney
All proceeds to the Daire Rooney Appeal.
Tel: 075 6499 0140

St Peter’s Parish now accepts ONLINE DONATIONS
Just scan the QR code with your phone camera to donate.

Or visit <https://donate.mydona.com/st-peters-parish-lurgan>.
Scan the QR code. Enter your amount. Input your card details. Please do not forget to Gift Aid



RECENTLY DECEASED
Ethna Menary nee Forker, Deramore Drive
Declan Halfpenny, Taghnevan Close
Tomasz Ksiazek, Rectory Road
Godfrey Cushnahan, Allengrove

ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 11th October
Kathleen Smyth, Sloan Street
Sarah Quinn, Rampart Street
Lorraine McEnoy, Soye Gardens
Kay Williamson, Drumbeg North
Thomas Browne, Co Meath
Annie McCrory, Glenavy
Dan McNally, Kinnego
Billy McNally, Aghagallon
George Hatchell, Newry
Gerald McMullan, Elmwood Terrace
Mary Hughes, Woodville Street
Monday 12th October
Peter McConville, Lurgantarry

Tuesday 13th October
Joe McCaughley, Silverwood Drive
Winifred (Winne) McStravick, Filbin Crescent
Michael Breen, Pier Rampart
Mark Toland, Aghagallon
Doreen Toman, Antrim Road
Sarah Elizabeth Scullion, Kinnego
Declan McGeown, Fox’s Hill
Bridie Clarke, Beechcourt
Martin Doran, Campbell Walk
Wednesday 14th October
Sean Murray, Sperrin Drive
Teresa Heaney, Milltown
Sean Skelton, Derryclone
Eileen Gordon, Kilwilke Gardens
Catherine & John Gregory, Lissumon
Roisin Ginesi nee McStay, Ardowen
Rita Thompson, Grattan Street

Thursday 15th October
James Breen, Ulster Street
Patsy McStay, Chicago
Oliver McKeag, Hawthorne Avenue
Marty Magill, Antrim Road
Friday 16th October
Eddie Heaney, Oakleigh Fold
Josephine Lavery, Grattan Street
Desy Kennedy, O’Neill’s Terrace/Canada
Kieran Shanks, Dingwell Park
Jean Lavery, Filbin Crescent
Mary Teresa Campbell, Lake Street
Jackie Doyle, Brownlow Terrace

Saturday 17th October
Margaret Anderson, Rosemount
Gerry Findon, Church Walk
Conor Murray, Milltown
Vincent McGovern, Liscorran Road
Eternal rest grant onto them O Lord

Requests for Anniversaries and Month’s Mind notices should be left into the Parish Office on or before 12 noon on the Wednesday of the week before if they are to be included in the Bulletin. The minimum diocesan stipend is £10. As we have a booking system, anniversaries can be booked in advance till the **end of the year**. Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church