

St. Peter's Parish, Shankill

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BULLETIN

8th MARCH 2026 – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8am, 10am, (po polsku) & 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
with Fr Jozef
Friday 6.00pm - 6.45pm

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
1st March - £3650.66
Standing Orders - £350.60 weekly
Donations -£35.00 loose
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.


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

Fiadh Belle Ruddy, Edward Street
Rosie Angela McAllister, Kiln Avenue
Éabha Bernadette Hill, Ashgrove Close
Archie Moore, Belvedere Manor
Our prayers and good wishes are extended to their families
We look forward to welcoming you. 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 and fifth Sundays of the month @ 1.00pm

Sunday 8 March
International Women's Day
Pope St John Paul once wrote these powerful words in appreciation for the dignity and vocation of women
"The Church gives thanks for each and every woman: for mothers, for sisters, for wives; for women consecrated to God; for women dedicated to the many human beings who await the selfless and generous love of another person; for women who watch over the human persons in the family...; for women who work professionally, and who at times are burdened by a great social responsibility.."

St Patrick's Day Parade & Festival 2026
Join us on Tuesday 17th March at 11am as the Parade leaves Clan na Gael Club and makes its way along Francis St, Edward St, Church Place, North St, Wellington St and Castle Lane into the town centre for a two-hour family-friendly festival.
All are warmly invited to line the route and be part of this positive community celebration.

Monday 9th MARCH 2026: @7:30PM
The Society will host an online lecture by **Geoff Cobb** entitled **Celtic Park, New York and Irish American Olympians**
We are delighted to welcome back our New York contributor, Geoff Cobb, the author of four books on Brooklyn history, and a 2021 publication entitled, "The Irish in New York: Profiles of New Yorkers who have Shaped the Empire State", is vice president for local history for the New York Irish History Round Table and a regular contributor to Irish America magazine. The **Zoom** room will open at 7:15pm. The talk will start at 7:30PM sharp. A link to the talk can be obtained by e-mailing the Hon Secretary goss.ijm@gmail.com and will be forwarded on Monday MARCH 9th

LENT
You're welcome to join us each Wednesday in Lent for Stations of the Cross in St Peter's Church @ 6.30pm
'There are three elements that are almost always part of Lent: prayer, giving something up and giving something back.'
FOR STRENGTH & REPENTANCE
O God, our loving Father in heaven, we confess that we have sinned against you.... For these, and all our sins, forgive us, we pray, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The local branch of Conradh na Gaeilge will be holding their 'Annual Irish Language Collection' after all the Masses on St Patrick's Day.

trócaire
Working for a just world.
Trocaire boxes are now available from the back of the Church.
Support those living in poverty. Your donation can change lives. Deliver lasting support to people impacted by climate change.

Cantabile Choir and Friends present
St Patrick's Night of Culture
Artists include:
The Hanna Sisters
The Maginn School of Irish Dancing
All Ireland Scór na nÓg Recitation winner Enya Livingstone
All Ireland Scór na nÓg Novelty Act winners St. Mary's, Aghagallon
County Champions Sean Treacy's Irish Traditional Group
Clan na Gael Ballad Group
Date: Friday 13th March
Venue: Ashburn Hotel, Lurgan
Concert starts at 7.30pm doors open at 7.00pm
Voluntary donations in aid of PIPS

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT Seminar 2026
6.30-7.30pm in St Peter's Parish Hall
God the Father loves you personally
Jesus saved you and set you free
Week 2. Thursday 12th March – 3rd week of Lent
Jesus is the Lord of your Life
Week 3. Thursday 19th March – 4th week of Lent
Called to be a Disciple of Jesus
Week 4. Thursday 16th April – 2nd week of Eastertide
Jesus sends me his Holy Spirit
Week 5. Wednesday 13th May – 6th week of Eastertide
You will receive the Holy Spirit
Week 6. Thursday 21st May – 7th week of Eastertide
Baptism of the Holy Spirit – Holy Mass
Week 7. Wednesday 27th May – Wednesday after Pentecost

Lenten Retreat for all Prayer Groups
Theme: Alive in Christ
"But because of his great love for us, God who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgression. It is by grace you have been saved". Eph 2:4-5
Date: Sat. 28th March 2026
Registration - 10.30am
Start Time - 10.30am
Finish - 4.00pm
Venue: Benburb Priory 10 Main St. Benburb Danganonn Co. Tyrone BT71 7JZ
Enquiries: benburbpriory.com.events, 028 3754 8241 Fr. Kingsley@St Peter's Lurgan
Focus of Retreat: Identity in Christ, Transformation, Salvation

Pilgrimage to Lourdes for young adults
18 to 30 years – July 27th to 31st – Mon to Fri – Cost of £680 covers flights, transfers in Lourdes, Hotel and full Board, plus the help of a guide and transport to and from Dublin Airport – there will be time for Pilgrims to experience the pilgrimage and enjoy the freedom to explore Lourdes with friends and others. We have 10 places left.... email Frances youthdirector@dromorediocese.org or phone 028 30833898 – leave a message with number.

FOODBANK
At the moment, the foodbank is running low on the following items: tinned tomatoes, red and brown sauce, super noodles, porridge, shampoo and toothpaste.
You can leave any donations at the back of the church, under the stairs that lead up to the choir.
Thank you in advance

TRAD FOR TROCAIRE
Sat 21st March 2pm - 4:30pm
Lurgan Town Hall
Raffle, music, teas and treats.
It will be opened with a few guest artists performing, followed by an open session, all musicians and singers' welcome.
We will have a wee cuppa tea and biscuits and a raffle with a host of great prizes.
Tickets available on the day.
Everyone welcome

LURGAN LOURDES COMMITTEE
Dromore Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage
15th to 20th May 2026
5 Nights Full Board to include all transfers and full Itinerary. Pilgrim Fare - £890pp
There is still availability but please book soon
To avoid disappointment
Also Assisted Pilgrims (Sick)
If you would like to be considered
Please contact Rosemary (Secretary) 07796310214
Or any Committee Member ASAP

Ignite Connections - Performing Arts classes. Clann Eireann Youth Club
Age 4-6: Tuesdays 3rd, 10th, 24th, 31st March 3:30pm - 4:30pm. Age 7-11: Thursdays 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March 3:30pm - 4:30pm
To register or get information contact Orlaith on 075 9971 6652 or Facebook: Ignite Connections

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
Anita O'Hanlon nee McCuskey, Drumlin Drive
Ann Magill, Springwell Walk
Sean (Seany) McGeown, Allenhill Park
ANNIVERSARIES
Sunday 8th March
Margie Kerr, Allenhill Drive (MONTH'S MIND)
Mary Duffy, Kilwilke Road
Philip Coleman, Castor Bay Road
Kay Barlow nee Leathem, Lurgan/Lisburn
Molly & Terry McStravick, Derrymore
Sarah McConville, Edward Street/Sloan Street
James Coleman, Waring Street
Mary Ann McStravick, Sloan Street
Kathleen Tate nee McStravick, Mary St/Bury
Peter McCorry, Antrim
Monday 9th March
Nancy Keville, Caroline Avenue
Edward (Ted) Smyth, Albert Street
Paul Curran, Glenholme Park
Maureen Bell, Ennis Close
Bridget (Burke) McCloskey, Avenue Road
Lily McMahan, Oakleigh Fold
Tuesday 10th March
John McCorry, Shore Road
Danny McAlinden, Lough Road
Wednesday 11th March
Mona Heaney, Oakleigh Fold
Elizabeth (Lily) Lavery, Filbin Crescent
John Quinn, Derryadd
Chrissie Lappin, Antrim Road
Jerry Scullion, Ashgrove Avenue
Grace McDonald, Wellington Street
Thursday 12th March
Una McDowell, Wellington Street
Jennifer Mulholland, Oakleigh Manor
Tom French, Woodville Gate
Ernest Cafolla, Francis Street
Mary Crosse, Grattan Street
Betty McQuillan, Deerings Wood
Carmel Wilson nee Haughey, Kilmaine Street
Friday 13th March
Molly Burke, Brett Park (MONTH'S MIND)
Carol Quinn, Donnelly Gardens (MONTH'S MIND)
Phyllis Maguire, Edward Street (MONTH'S MIND)
Patrick McConville, Kilwilke Road
Sarah Hughes, Kilwilke Road
Arthur McCorry, The Galleon
Maureen O'Neill, Aghagallon
Mary Ann Conlon, Tullylish
Saturday 14th March
Gertrude McAvoey, Shore Road
Johnny McAlinden, Linen Mews
Margaret O'Hara, Banbridge Road
Mick McAleese, Gosselin Park
Geraldine Fearon, Deramore Drive
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 until the end of the year.
Please use the anniversary envelopes at the back of the Church

MOYRAVERTY 50+ TEA DANCE
St Anthony's Parish Centre
Thursday 19th March 8 - 10pm
Music by Mons Wheeler. Raffle & prizes.
Adm £5 including light supper.