

# St. Peter's Parish, Shankill

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# BULLETIN

1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2026 – ST BRIGID, ABBESS, SECONDARY PATRON OF IRELAND

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**Safeguarding Children and Adults who require protection.**  
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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)

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**  
25<sup>th</sup> January - £3112.07  
Standing Orders - £350.60 weekly  
Donations - £20.00 loose  
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



**CHOOSING GODPARENTS**  
Congratulations to all the parents of newborn children in our parish. With your baby's best interests at heart, the Church asks you when considering sponsors for your child's baptism to choose a godfather and godmother (one male, one female) who are at least 16 years old and who lead a life of faith. One of the sponsors (called a 'witness') may be a baptised Christian from another church.

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**

Thanks to everyone who supported Evora Hospice Coffee Morning in St Peter's Parish Hall.  
**Amount raised - £1,160**

## FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February

Saint Brigid, patron of Ireland The name Brigid means 'The exalted one.' She is known as Mary of the Gael. One significant virtue about Brigid which outshone others was her generosity. When it came to the poor, she said, *'If I had the power to give away the whole of Leinster, I would willingly give it to God's poor.'*

The Knights of St Columbanus will be distributing St Brigid's crosses on February 1<sup>st</sup> @ all Masses

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day)

Candles for use in the home will be blessed at the 8am & 7pm Masses.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

Saint Blaise

All are welcome to have their throats blessed after the 8am & 7pm Masses



**BLESSING OF ST BRIGID'S CROSS**  
Father of all creation and Lord of light you have given us life and entrusted your creation to us to use it and care for it. We ask you to bless these crosses made of green rushes in memory of holy Brigid, who used the cross to recall and to teach your Son's life, death and resurrection. May these crosses be a sign of our sharing in the Paschal Mystery of your Son and a sign of your protection of our lives, our land and its creatures through Brigid's intercession during the coming year and always. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

*The crosses are sprinkled with holy water.*

May the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be in these crosses and on the places where they hang and on everyone who looks at them. Amen

## PRAYER TO ST BRIGID

A Naomh Bríd a Mhuire na Gael, scar orainn do bhrat. A Naomh Bríd, chroí na féile, stiúir sinn ar an mbóthar ceart. A Naomh Bríd gheanúil ghrástúil, ar ár namhaid cosain sinn. A Naomh Bríd, a bhean rialto álainn, ar mbás glaoigh.

O St Brigid, our lady of the Gaels, spread your banner over us. O St Brigid, the heart of the festival, lead us on the right path. O St Brigid, gracious and loving, protect us from our enemies. O St Brigid, beautiful and royal lady, at the hour of our death, call upon us.

## POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION

*For children with incurable diseases:*  
Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

## Bible Study

Sharing the Word: Every first Thursday of the month Bring your Bible & Rosary. "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them" (Matthew 18:20).

## Charismatic Renewal

Meets on the last Thursdays of every month above the Sacristy in St. Peter's.

## The Community Outreach Group

is sponsoring a presentation on Church of Ireland, Shankill Parish, Lurgan Through the Years Speaker, Denis Johnston. On Wednesday 18 February at 7:30pm in the Jethro Centre, Flush Place. All are welcome. Refreshments served.

The Lurgan branch of Conradh Na Gaeilge will be holding the AGM in our premises North St on Sunday 15th Feb @ 3pm All interested welcome to attend

## ADORATION CHAPEL

Edward Street 9am – 9pm

*Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him... May our adoration never cease'*

## Lurgan Lourdes Fundraising Committee

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February Mass in St Pauls @7pm Finishing with Rosary All very welcome

## COFFEE MORNING & TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

St Peter's Parish Hall Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th February, 10am-2pm.

Refreshments, treats and teddy bears for sale. Come along & support Lurgan Lourdes Fundraising Committee

## Dromore Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage

15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026 5 Nights Full Board -£890pp We are now taking applications for Assisted Pilgrims Anyone who would like to be considered Please contact Rosemary (Secretary) 077 9631 0214

Or any Committee Member

Silver Crucifix found just outside Linen Mews, Lake Street. Contact 079 0907 5022

## Summer in Nottingham

dept Sun 16 Aug 5 nts Warner Leisure full entertainment & tours £679 ss £50 Call: Noel 079 5547 5650 or Gerard 38324741

## 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

## DROMORE DIOCESAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY: @7:30pm in Banbridge Parish Centre

The Society's first event of its new programme is a talk by James Doran entitled "The Saints Next Door" - The Witness and Example of Saints Pier Giorgio Frassati & Carlo Acutis." Admission £1.00. All welcome

## LAETARE VIGIL FOR WOMEN

Sat 14 March at Holy Family Mission, Glencormagh, Co Waterford.

Join lay women of all ages, married and single, to unite in a day of prayer with women religious from over a dozen different orders—a unique experience not to be missed! Spaces limited: register now on Eventbrite.

Laetare Vigil Tickets, Sat 14 Mar 2026 at 09:30 | Eventbrite

## PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Flying Direct from Belfast International

7 nights F/B Avenida Hotel 14th/21st August Spiritual

Director Fr Andrew McMahon PP Convenient flight times. £845pps. Deposit secures. For further information contact Joe 077 7642 5631 or J. Walsh Tours Dublin.

## MEDJUGORJE GROUP PILGRIMAGE

8th – 15th July - £645 increasing to £695 after 30th January. Single room supplement £150.

7-night BB & Dinner near St James's Church pilgrimage with Mary Austin & Mona Mitchell.

Full religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages Return flights from Dublin Price includes early booking discount of £50

**Mary 077 1853 1096**  
**Mona 078 08071 41113**

## NOTICE

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*



## RECENTLY DECEASED

Gerry Casey, Brownlow Terrace  
Gerald McGeown, Donnelly Gardens

## MONTH'S MIND

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

Olive Mulholland, Mary Street

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Moya Haughey, Edward Street

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February

Maureen Toland, Melrose Park

## ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February

Deirdre Hand, Lavery Avenue

Margaret Burke nee Gallery, Garrymore

Kathleen McAvoy, Deeney Drive

Barney Findon, Edward Street

Joan Carson, Pinebank

Henry Dickson, Oakfield Terrace

Nellie Doyle, Edward Street

John Mulholland, Mary Street

Kathleen McGuigan, Dromore

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

Ciaran McLoughlin, CBS Armagh

Barry Dummigan, Clara Street

Alfred Corbett, Church Walk

Agnes Muldoon, Moortown

Rosaleen McAlernon, Maple Court

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

Rose-Ann Lavery, Church Walk

Patrick O'Connor, Church Walk

Rosaleen Magennis, Manor Park

Joe Patterson, Allenhill Park

Alice News, Woodville Ave

Nancy McAleenan, Grattan Street

John Hughes, Lake Street

Eileen Campbell, Belvedere Manor

Gregory (Bingo) Doran, Lurgan

Malachy Nelson, Derrymore Road

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

Kevin Smyth, Ulster Street

Ann Treanor, Lurgan

Damian Lavery, Ennis Green

Pat Stevenson, Campbell Walk

Felix Stevenson, Waterloo, London

James McCann, Clare Road, Gilford

Nora McConville, Edward Street/Sloan Street

John McAlinden, The Palms, Ballinlary

Benedict Campbell, Lavery Avenue

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February

Paul McAreavey, Ashgrove Park

Vincent McGibbon, Antrim Road

Ronan Lavery, Donegal/Antrim Road

Sammy Mitchell, Brown Street

Bridie Potter, Kent

Mildred Nelson, Derrymore Road

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Seamus Magill, Ashgrove Park

Billy Brady, Kilvagh Park

Gerry McAvoy, Soye Gardens

Michael Smyth, Kilmaine Street

Damien McDonald, Ashgrove Park

Sean Forker, Mary Street

Petra Mallon, O'Neill's Terrace/Gawleys Gate