

# St. Peter's Parish, Shankill

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# BULLETIN

5<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2025 – SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS





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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)


**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
With Fr Jozef  
Friday 6.00pm - 6.45pm

**OFERTORY COLLECTION**  
29<sup>th</sup> December - £2609.70  
Plus, Standing Orders £350.60 weekly  
Car Park – £ 186.00  
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 @ 1.30pm

**FEAST OF THE EPIHANY**  
Monday 6th January  
  
This feast celebrates the inclusion of all people, cultures and religions of the nations of the world. Jesus shares our human nature to redeem and save all humanity in a generous love. In the words of the preface in today's Mass: 'For today you have revealed the mystery of our salvation in Christ as a light to the nations.'  
**MASS TIMES**  
St Peter's – 8.00am & 7.00pm


**PARISH OFFICE**  
Will re-open on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January @ 10am  


**JUBILEE PRAYER 2025**  
  
Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your Son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.  
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.  
May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise forever. Amen  
*Pope Francis*

**NEW YEAR PRAYER**  
May God make your year a happy one! Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain, but by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes; not by making your path easy, but by making you sturdy to travel any path; not by taking hardships from you, but by taking fear from your heart; not by granting you unbroken sunshine, but by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows; not by making your life always pleasant, but showing you when people and their causes need you most, and by making you anxious to be there to help. God's love, peace, hope and joy to you for the year ahead.

*Eternal God, in your purpose our lives are lived and by your grace our hopes are bright. Be with us in the coming year, forgiving, leading and saving, so that we may walk without fear, in the way of Jesus Christ*

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY IN MEDJUGORJE 2025**  
Fully escorted trip direct return flights from Dublin.  
26<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
**£675**  
Price increases to £725 after 31<sup>st</sup> January.  
7-night Pilgrimage with Mona Mitchell & Kathy McColgan.  
Staying near to St James Church with breakfast & dinner.  
**Spiritual Director –**  
Fr Aidan O'Kane CP  
For more information call  
Mona 078 8071 4113 or  
Kathy 077 3434 5181

  
**DRUMNAMOE NURSERY**  
**Open Day**  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025  
10.00-11.00am  
Come and view our outstanding facilities and find out what we can offer your child in their Pre-School year.  
*Learning and growing together*


**YORK EASTER TOUR 2025**  
Departing Easter Monday  
21st April  
Return coach & ferry  
4 nights DBB in the Elmbank Hotel, York  
Bookings available in the New Year with Skelton Travel  
£50pp non-refundable deposit required on booking  
£529pps - *single supplement applies*  
To book call Gerard 3832 4741 or Noel 079 5547 5650

  
The Principal, Staff and Students of St Colman's College, Newry would like to invite Primary 6 and Primary 7 pupils, accompanied by their parents/guardians, to our 'Open Day' on **Saturday 18th January 2025 from 10am – 1pm**  
Principal Cormac McKinney will address guests at 11am and 12 noon. Further details:  
**Website** - [stcolmans.org.uk](http://stcolmans.org.uk)  
**Email** - [info@stcolmans.org.uk](mailto:info@stcolmans.org.uk)  
**Twitter (Now known as 'X')** - @st\_colmans  
**Facebook** – St Colman's College, Newry  
**Telephone** – 028 3026 2451  
Prospective post 16 students and their parents/guardians are also very welcome

**FOR THOSE FAR AWAY**  
How often, Lord, would I wish to stretch across the miles and touch loved ones far away, or be whisked on angel's wings to their very side. Lord, be with them in all they do, and when their hearts grow homesick, when they long to see and hold their loved ones, touch them, Lord, with the touch of your presence. Hold them in your embrace, help them feel better, knowing that in your love we are close together.

**ACCORD MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES**  
Planning to get married in 2024/2025?  
Book your pre-marriage course in your choice of venue at [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie), or contact ACCORD, Newry Parish Centre, The Mall, Newry BT34 1AN 028 3026 3577 [newry@accordni.com](mailto:newry@accordni.com)

**Primary 1 Enrolment for Sept 2025**  
in 'St Teresa's Primary School'  
Apply online: [//www.eani.org.uk/admissions](http://www.eani.org.uk/admissions) or call at the school, Portal opens 10th Jan - 24th Jan All welcome.

**ADORATION CHAPEL**  
Edward Street  
Adoration 9am – 9pm  
  
*'Come to adoration and know that you are loved, each encounter holds a precious gift just for you from God above'*

**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**  
Oliver Shortt, Lurgantarry  
Lily Lavery, Portland Manor  
**MONTH'S MIND**  
**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January**  
Winnie Foy, Ennis Tarry  
Jean McCann, Shore Road

**ANNIVERSARIES**  
**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January**  
Liam Thornbury, Brett Drive  
Leo & Brid Creery, Rosemount  
Margaret Ann Lennon, Shankill Street  
James Cullen, Portadown  
Bobby Magill, Antrim Road  
Ellen McStay, Cornakinnegar Road  
Laurence Bennett, Avenue Road  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January**  
John Haughian, Wellington Street  
Ellen Catherine McCaffrey, North Street  
Pat & Joyce Toman, Luton  
Patsy Magee, Hawthorn Avenue  
Nora Rooney, Portadown

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January**  
George McKee, Allenhill Park  
Patrick Magill, Grattan Street  
**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January**  
Patrick McKavanagh, Castor Bay Road  
Edward Lavery, Mary Street

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January**  
Barney McCusker, Oakleigh Fold  
Eileen Loughran, James Street  
Eamon McMahon, Desmond Avenue  
Patrick McStay, Cornakinnegar Road  
Danny Heatley, Mary Street  
Patrick McCann, Church Place  
Danny McCrory, Liscorran Road  
Patsy (Bart) McConville, Lurgan/Manchester

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January**  
Terry Eagers, Soye Gardens  
John Conway, Ulster Street  
Josephine Magennis, Lurgantarry  
Rita Donnelly, North Street  
Annie McConville, Brownlow Terrace

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January**  
Una King, Donnelly Gardens  
Lucille Finnegan, North Street  
*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*  
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.