



and evenings. This is a free service. To make an appointment please call 041 983 6084 or email info@droghedacsc.net

St Ita's Open Day: St Ita's Special School, Crushrod Avenue, Drogheda, Open Day on Tuesday 19th November 2024 10.00am – 12.00noon. Enquiries: Telephone 041 983 1303 or Email office@stitasspecialschool.ie

The **Medical Missionaries of Mary** will host a **Christmas Craft Fair** to benefit the MMM Missions in Africa and Brazil. Join us for a festive day of fun with handcrafted gifts and decorations on Saturday 23rd November, 10.30am - 4.00pm in the Auditorium, MMM Convent, Beechgrove. Free parking at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. www.mmmworldwide.org
Follow us on:   Medical Missionaries of Mary

The **Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal** invite you to a **Pro-Life Prayer Vigil**. Join us in praying a Eucharistic Holy Hour with led prayers for the protection of life, healing and conversion of hearts. Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn, pray for us. Saturday 14th December, 10.00am – 11.00am. Holy Hour followed by Mass in St Saviour's Church, Dominic Street, Dublin. Further information Franciscan Sisters 041 983 0441, www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony

Christmas at the Cathedral 2024, An opportunity to prepare for this Sacred Season, takes place in St Patrick's Cathedral Armagh on Thursday 12 December at 7:30pm. Featuring Malachi Cush, Eilis Fox, and Karl McGuckin together with the St Catherine's College Choir. www.ticketsource.co.uk/christmasatthecathedral

St Peter's Parish Medjugorje Pilgrimage Join us on this independent pilgrimage from 29th April to 6th May 2025. Early booking deposit of €50 to avail of prices from €545 for 7 nights, half board accommodation per person sharing, flights included. Daily programme with spiritual director and music ministry. Led by Fr Eugene Sweeney, PP, Deacons John Taaffe and Pat Butterly. Contact 089 615 2568 for further details.

North Drogheda Community Employment St Peter's Parish scheme is currently recruiting a Cleaner for St Peter's Church and a Cleaner for Our Lady of Lourdes Church. These positions involve working 19.5 hours a week in accordance with North Drogheda policies, as directed by the supervisor. They are developmental positions, no experience necessary, with accredited training provided to support one's career. A change in Social Welfare rules any person signing on credits can avail of Community Employment. Please contact Geraldine or Laura on 041-984 3678 or at northdroghedaceltd@gmail.com for further information or to apply or contact your local Intreo office or Jobs Ireland.

Crafty Traders' Christmas Craft Fair in the Barbican Centre on Sunday 24th November, 12noon to 5.00pm. Raffles for brilliant prizes. Santa will drop by!

St Peter's Parish Newsletter

St Oliver's Pastoral Area

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th November 2024

Canon Eugene Sweeney PP
Fr Aidan Murphy PE, AP
Fr Cleophas Lungu, Priest in Residence
Fr Desmond Branigan CC
Fr Piotr Wojtala CC
Deacons: David Durrigan & John Taaffe

St Peter's Parochial House
St Peter's Presbytery

041 983 8537
041 983 8239

Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery

041 983 1899

St Peter's Church Sacristy
Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy

041 984 5355
041 983 1973

www.sppd.ie

Email office@sppd.ie



Mass Times

St Peter's Church
Monday to Friday

8.30am & 10.30am

Tuesday also

St Anthony's

Novena 7.30pm

Saturday 10.30am

Vigil 6.15pm

Sunday 8.00am &

11.00am

Our Lady of

Lourdes Church

Monday to

Saturday 10.00am

Saturday Vigil

7.00pm

Sunday 9.00am,

10.30am & 12noon

St Peter's Church

Shop: Monday to

Thursday 11.00am

– 2.00pm

Friday 11.00am -

3.00pm

Saturday 11.00am

– 2.00pm

Email

office@sppd.ie

The Barbican

St Peter's Parish

Centre

041-980 7416



Congratulations to Drogheda United
on their great FAI Cup win.



St. Peter's Parish Catholic Primary Education Forum

Parents, grandparents and guardians are invited to a meeting for parents of children preparing for their First Confession and First Holy Communion



Thursday 21st November

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 8.00pm - 8.45pm

This meeting will inform parents on how to help their son/daughter prepare for First Confession and First Holy Communion. This meeting is not suitable for children.

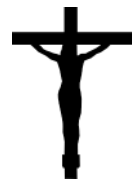
Week of Witness/Red Wednesday

Did you know, some 360 million Christians live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith? Each year the papal charity Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Ireland – which supports some 6,000 communities in 140 countries – highlights their plight during the 'Week of Witness', November 17th -24th). Red Wednesday, 20th November is the highlight of the week, and Catholics are urged to keep the suffering Church in their prayers in a special way. You can find out more on www.acnireland.org

Diary Date: Parents, grandparents and guardians are invited to a meeting

for parents of children preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** in Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Thursday 28th November, 8.00pm.- 8.45pm. This meeting is not suitable for children.

Our **Parish Family Mass** will be celebrated in Our Lady of Lourdes Church at 10.30am on Sunday 24th November 2024.



The rosary and prayers for all the faithful departed will be recited each day during the month of November in St Peter's Cemetery at 3.00pm, meeting at the Calvary memorial and then walking around the cemetery. All are welcome to attend and to remember their loved ones in prayer



St Peter's Church Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Peter's Church is as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel; Wednesday in the main body of the church. Hours of Adoration, 11.00am – 4.00pm (Tuesday to 7.00pm).

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sunday afternoon, 1.00pm – 4.00pm, except the First Sunday of each month, when exposition does not take place.

All Masses are streamed live by webcam. www.sppd.ie or www.churchservices.tv (Drogheda).

Confessions are held as follows:

St Peter's Church, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 12.30–1.00pm;
Saturday evening in both churches 30 minutes before the Vigil Mass.

Anniversaries and Month's Minds may be given in person or telephoned to St Peter's Sacristy, 041 984 5355, Monday – Saturday, 9.00am -1.00pm or Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy, 041 983 1973, Monday – Saturday, 9.30am -12.30pm. Mass Stipend may be given via credit / debit card by telephone.



Baptisms: Parents should please contact the sacristies to rearrange dates c to register. Our Lady of Lourdes Church every Saturday at 5.00pm. Register at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy, Thursday - Saturday, 9.30am –12 noon. Tel 041 983 1973. St Peter's Church every Sunday at 12.15pm. Register at St Peter's Church Sacristy, Monday - Saturday, 9.00am -1.00pm. Tel 041 984 5355

St Vincent de Paul (Freephone 1800 67 77 77) continues to be ready to help anyone in need.

Samaritans (supporting those in emotional distress 24/7) Freephone number 116 123. **Aware** 1800 80 48 48. **Drogheda River Rescue Emergency** 089 250 5562.

Oasis of Peace Retreat Centre New Catholic Young Adult Group (18-35years). Join us for a relaxed meet up, first Sunday of each month, 1.00pm, Mellifont Abbey, Collon. Make new friends, enjoy an Italian coffee and cake. Live worship music, time to reflect, fun and faith, discuss some life issues like finding happiness, purpose in life, is God real. Contact Daryl or Deacon John Taaffe (089) 615 2568 www.apostlesoflove.ie

The Parish Newsletter is available at the back of the churches throughout the week. Also see church noticeboards, parish website, Facebook, X and Instagram. *Items for the Parish Newsletter, may be emailed to office@sppd.ie or handed into the Parish Office by Wednesday evening each week.*

God First, St Peter's Youth Group meet on the second and fourth Friday each month at 5.30pm in the Family Room of Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Baptism

We welcome Maite Oselieri Flores *into the Christian community*

Deaths



We pray for the recently deceased Bartle (Bernard) Crean, Sandyford Terrace, Sr Paula Mary George O.P., Monastery of St Catherine of Siena, The Twenties, Christina Callaghan, Noel (Chum) Lynch, Shane Martin, Mary Loughran. **May they rest in peace**

Parish Collection for the weekend of 9th /10th November 2024
Loose €1,500 Envelopes €1,335 Tap to donate €505 Total €3,213
Central Diocesan Fund €755

November Parish List of the Dead envelopes are available in both churches. All Masses throughout November will be offered for those whose names are on the 2024 List of the Dead, as well as monthly Masses in both St Peter's and Our Lady of Lourdes Churches, and other dedicated Masses. Please leave the envelopes in the secure box provided.

Pioneer Pledge for the month of the Holy Souls: A short-term pledge gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families who are living under a shadow of addiction. Contact the Pioneers on 01 805 4226 or via www.pioneers.ie/pray

Drogheda Community Services provide a one-to-one Bereavement Counselling Service at Dermot Kierans Centre, Scarlet Crescent, Drogheda. Counsellors are available during the day