

Cross at 2.00pm, followed by the Rosary procession. Mass will commence at 3.00pm in the Basilica and will include the anointing of the sick. The main celebrant will be Bishop Phonsie Cullinan. Dana will join the choir to sing. There will also be rosary and scapular making workshops in the marquee. Over 50 buses are going from around Ireland. See [www.allirelandrosaryrally.com](http://www.allirelandrosaryrally.com) for more details.

**Blended Learning – Higher Diploma/Diploma in Pastoral Liturgy** Programmes suitable for those interested in a better understanding of the liturgical life of the Church. Have a query. Contact our admissions team. Email [cmmadmissions@spcm.ie](mailto:cmmadmissions@spcm.ie) Tel 01 708 4778.

**Postgraduate and Mission & Ministries Programmes at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth.** Programme applications close from 30th June to 30th August for different programmes. Visit [sppu.ie/courses](http://sppu.ie/courses) for more information.

**Lough Derg 2024 Pilgrimage Season** May to 15th August 2024. Further details from 071 986 1518 or [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org)

**St. Brigid 1500 – Family Fun Day**, Dundalk 16th June 2024. The Archdiocese of Armagh, in partnership with the parishes of Dundalk, will host a Family Fun Day in the grounds of St. Patrick's Church, Dundalk, on Sunday 16th June 2024, 3.00pm – 6.00pm. The family fun day is free of charge and will be followed by a procession to St. Nicholas' Church, Dundalk, for a special prayer service dedicated to St. Brigid. Please note that under 16s must be accompanied. The event is part of the Archdiocese of Armagh's year-long celebrations to mark the life and legacy of St. Brigid, on this the 1500th anniversary of her death. All are invited to attend.

**Scoil Aonghusa** – Drogheda's Gaelscoil since 1981. Applications for new Junior Infant pupils for September 2024 are now available from Scoil Aonghusa or on our website [www.scoilaonghusa.com](http://www.scoilaonghusa.com) Completed application forms to be returned to Scoil Aonghusa, Sunday's Gate, Drogheda A92 PY18. Contact details: 041 983 2531 [oifig.scoilaonghusa@gmail.com](mailto:oifig.scoilaonghusa@gmail.com)

### St Anthony's Novena

St Peter's Church

Wednesday 5th June – Thursday 13th June 2024

Preacher: Fr Antony Jukes OFM, Killarney Friary.

Masses 10.30am & 7.30pm daily, except

Saturday 8th June, 10.30am & 6.15pm

Sunday 9th June Mass at 11.00am, Holy Hour at 7.30pm

Thursday 13th June: Blessing of lilies at both Masses.

Blessing of children 4.00pm.

Closing Mass at 7.30pm.



**Items for the Parish Newsletter, may be emailed to [office@sppd.ie](mailto:office@sppd.ie) or handed into the Parish Office by Wednesday evening each week.**

## St Peter's Parish Newsletter

St Oliver's Pastoral Area

### Pentecost Sunday

19th May 2024

Canon Eugene Sweeney PP	St Peter's Parochial House	041-9838537
Fr Aidan Murphy PE,AP	St Peter's Presbytery	041-9838239
Fr Cleophas Lunga, Priest in Residence		
Fr Desmond Branigan CC	Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery	041-9831899
Fr Piotr Wojtala CC		
Deacons David Durrigan & John Taaffe		
	St Peter's Church Sacristy	041-9845355
	Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy	041-9831973
	Email <a href="mailto:office@sppd.ie">office@sppd.ie</a>	
	X@PetersDrogheda	

[www.sppd.ie](http://www.sppd.ie)



Masses will be broadcast live by webcam

**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 - 6.00pm.

Email [office@sppd.ie](mailto:office@sppd.ie)

**The Barbican,**

St Peter's Parish Centre

041 980 7416

### First Communion Congratulations

Congratulations to the children of St Brigid's & St Patrick's NS and Scoil Aonghusa who made their First Holy Communion yesterday, Saturday 18th May. Many thanks to the teachers who prepared the children so well for the beautiful liturgies, and to the school principals, parents and school chaplains.



Devotions Rosary, Exposition and Benediction in St Peter's Church this Sunday at 5.00pm in honour of Our Blessed Mother.

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### Armagh Central Diocesan Fund

There is a second envelope this weekend, 19th May, for the Armagh Central Diocesan Fund. This envelope goes towards the running of the Diocesan Curia in Armagh, its safeguarding and youth offices, and the Diocesan Pastoral Office and its initiatives, including the Synodal Way.

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All good wishes to Fr Piotr and all travelling from Drogheda on the **Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage** to **Knock** next Sunday 26th May. Please bring our prayers and petitions to Our Lady's Shrine. Many thanks to Damien and Jacqueline for organizing.

**Eucharistic Adoration** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Peter's Church is as follows: Monday and Friday in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the main

body of the church. Hours of Adoration are Monday to Friday, 11.00am – 4.00pm, (Tuesday to 7.00pm).

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** in Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Sunday afternoon, 1.00pm – 4.00pm, except the First Sunday of each month.



**Perpetual Adoration** Chapel: Adorers are needed for the following hours: Friday 12.00noon – 1.00pm and 1.00pm-2.00pm.

If you are willing to volunteer, please contact Breda 087 214 8422 or Josie 087 771 0264.

### Cemetery Sunday 2024

Cemetery Sunday will take place as usual in St Peter's Parish on the last Sunday of June, this year, Sunday 30th June, in St Peter's Cemetery at 3.00pm, and in Newtown Cross Cemetery at 5.00pm.

**Ministers of the Word and Eucharist** Anyone who would like to become a Minister of the Word or Eucharist in either St Peter's or Our Lady of Lourdes Church should please give their names and contact details to any of the priests or sacristans. We welcome more people to partake in these important ministries.

**All Masses are streamed live by webcam.**  
[www.sppd.ie](http://www.sppd.ie) or [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv) (Drogheda).

**God First St Peter's Youth Group** for teenagers 13-17 years old, meets on the first and third Friday of each month in the Family Room of Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Come along to encounter God, make new friends and have fun.

**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.

**Baptisms** Parents should please contact the sacristies to rearrange dates or 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



**Anniversaries and Month's Minds** may be given in person or telephoned to St Peter's Church 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.

**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.

The amount collected at the **May SVP Church Gate Collection** at Our Lady of Lourdes Church was €910. Grateful thanks to all.

The **Parish Newsletter** is available at the back of the churches throughout the week. Also see church noticeboards, parish website and Visit our Parish X / Twitter account @PetersDrogheda 

**Pope Francis' intention for May:** For the formation of religious and seminarians: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

### Deaths

**We pray for the recently deceased** Sean Kelly, Ashfield Grove formerly Yellowbatter, Martin Dyas, Ascal a Dó. Yellowbatter, Brian Bellew, Lourdes Square, Helena M Lansdowne nee Mullen, formerly Chord Road, Austin Byrne, Gerry Cluskey, Eoin Maughan, Breda Daly, Marion Mooney, McDonnell, Dessie Hand. **May they rest in peace.**



### Parish Collection for the weekend of 11th/ 12th May 2024

Loose €1,600 Envelopes €1,325 Tap to donate €474 **Total €3,399**

**Drogheda Community Services** provide a one-to-one Bereavement Counselling Service at Dermot Kierans Centre, Scarlet Crescent, Drogheda. Counsellors are available during the day and evenings. This is a free service. To make an appointment please call 041 983 6084 or email [info@droghedacsc.net](mailto:info@droghedacsc.net)

**Employment:** Would you like to work part-time or full-time? Are you unemployed due to accident, illness, injury, disability or in recovery from depression. We can help you seek employment. For further information on this service please contact EmployAbility Service Louth. Phone Number 042-938 6718 or 087-638 6885 Support your local blood clinic!

Carmel Boyle, local and international singer/songwriter, spiritual director and retreat facilitator, will launch three new albums under the title, **'Songs for the Everyday Mystic'**, today, May 19th at 4.00 pm in the MMM Auditorium, Hardman's Garden, Drogheda. Carmel who has recorded more than a dozen albums, will sing a selection of songs from her new albums, inspired by Christian mystics. Admission is free. Booking is essential. Tel./ Text 0876240071 or email:[carmelboylecroi@gmail.com](mailto:carmelboylecroi@gmail.com)[www.ancroi.ie](http://www.ancroi.ie) or [www.carmelboylemusic.com](http://www.carmelboylemusic.com)

**All Ireland Rosary Rally - Knock - Saturday, June 1st** Join thousands of people from around Ireland and beyond for the All-Ireland Rosary Rally on June 1st. The day begins at 9.30am with a Conference in St. John's Centre. Speakers include Fr Brendan Kilcoyne, Fr Joseph Mary Deane CFR, and Sr Ana Margarita Lanzas SCTJM. Then there is a chance to meet over 20 apostolates from around Ireland in St John's Centre from 1130am. The keynote speaker, Mother Adela Galindo from Miami, Florida, will speak in the Basilica at 1.00pm. Outdoor Stations of the