

Pope Francis' intention for October: *For a shared mission.* We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Baptism

We welcome Primo Kyle Alcantara *into the Christian community.*

Deaths



We pray for the recently deceased Peter Fuller, Highfield formerly Hardman's Gardens, Geraldine (Gertie) Stowe, Brian Maughan Sr., Jim Sullivan, Mary Robinson, Mary Kerr, Tommy Seery, Mary O'Neill, Terry Carroll, Enda McDonnell, Frank Murphy, Sharon Lawless. **May they rest in peace**

Parish Collection for the weekend of 28th /29th September 2024

Loose €1,566 Envelopes €1,330 Tap to donate €488 Total €3,384

Autumn Dues for the support of the Priests of the Parish will be collected over the coming weeks. Many thanks for your great generosity, and to our collectors.

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? "How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, Your God reigns!" Isaiah 52:7. An Information evening will be held on Thursday 17th October in St Patrick's Church, Dundalk at 7.00pm. Contact Sharon on 087 641 7334 or Email dunnesharon.pastoralcentre@gmail.com

Vocation Discernment Weekend 18th – 20th October 2024, Monastery of St. Catherine of Siena, The Twenties, Drogheda A92 KR84 - Vocation Discernment Weekend (Dominican Contemplative life), 18th - 20th October 2024 (Other weekends by arrangement)- single women, age 18-35. Contact Sr. Mairead, 041 983 8524 or email sienavoc@gmail.com

Abide in His Love Women's Conference, 15th- 17th November, Bundoran, details eventbrite.ie

Archdiocese of Armagh Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart Presentation Night Buffet Supper and Dance Friday 25th October 2024, Ryandale, Moy, Co. Tyrone, 8.00pm. All to be seated for 7.45pm. Cost £15. All Welcome

North Drogheda Community Employment St. Peter's Parish scheme is currently recruiting for a Cleaner for St Peter's Church, a Cleaner for Our Lady of Lourdes Church and a Caretaker for the Special Olympics Hall. This position involves working 19.5 hours a week in accordance with North Drogheda policies, as directed by the supervisor. They are developmental positions with no experience necessary, with accredited training provided to support your career. Social Welfare rules have changed, anyone over 55 and in receipt of credits, can avail of community employment now and it may enhance one's pension. Please contact Geraldine or Laura on 041-984 3678 or at northdroghedacelt@gmail.com or your local Intreo office, or Jobs Ireland to apply or for further information.

St Peter's Parish Newsletter

St Oliver's Pastoral Area

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th October 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

041 984 5355

Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy

041 983 1973

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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

St Peter's Parish Retreat Day

St Peter's Parish Pastoral Council invites parishioners to join them on a Retreat Day Away at the Oasis of Peace Centre, Mellifont Abbey, Collon on Saturday, 19th October, 11.00am - 5.00pm. Group prayer and quiet Eucharistic time. Experience God's love, healing, joy and peace. Beautiful walks, meet other parishioners. Led by Deacon John Taaffe and team. Lunch included. Donation on day. Transport available as required. Places limited. Book in either sacristy in person, or by telephone, 041 984 5355 (Monday - Saturday, 9.30am -12.30pm).

St Patrick's Church, Dundalk, Archdiocese of Armagh, St Bernadette Relic Pilgrimage Ireland

Sunday 20th October 2024:

10.00am Greeting of the Relics (at St Malachy's Friary Church, Dundalk to accompany the relics to St Patrick's Church, Dundalk).

10:45am Reception of the Relics at St Patrick's Church, Dundalk

11.00am Sunday Mass with the relics and water gesture

12.00noon – 4.00pm Rosary with meditations on the hour & Confession (with visiting choirs)

6.00pm Marian Procession with Torchlight (from St Nicholas' Church, Dundalk to St Patrick's Church).

6:30pm Solemn Evening Prayer (with Anointing of the Sick).

8.00pm – 10.00pm Rosary with meditations on the hour (with visiting choirs).

11.00pm Solemn Night Prayer & Benediction Monday 21st October 2024

8.00am Solemn Morning Prayer (for departure of the relics to the

Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar.

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Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital - Service of Remembrance

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda, Women and Children services annual service of remembrance for families affected by pregnancy, infant and child loss. The service will take place in MMM Auditorium, Hardman's Gardens, Drogheda, today, Sunday 6th October at 3.00pm. All welcome.

St Joseph's Young Priests' Society annual **Mass for Vocations** to the Priesthood and religious life will be celebrated by Bishop Michael Router in St Catherine's Church, Ballapousta, Ardee today, Sunday 6th October at 3.00pm. All are welcome.

Rosary and Benediction will recommence in St Peter's Church today, Sunday 6th October at 5.00pm. Sunday evening devotions take place in the months dedicated to Our Lady, namely, October and May.

The Second Session of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops

formally opened on 2nd October in the Vatican and will deliberate until 27th October on the theme, 'For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission.' The task of this second session is to complete the discernment begun at the first session in October 2023, and thereafter to offer the result to Pope Francis in a final document.

The Irish Bishops have said: "We invite people of faith to pray throughout October for all members of the Synodal Assembly as, in the words of Pope Francis, 'without prayer there will be no Synod.' Since 2021 synodal listening has moved through parish, diocesan, national, and continental stages, fostering continuous dialogue with the Universal Church. dialogue with the Universal Church. While the synodal process nurtures participation and co-responsibility, the discernment of the Pobal Dé has been at the heart of the journey, guiding the mission of the Body of Christ into the future."

World Rosary Day Pope Francis has asked for a new prayer initiative as a great symphony of prayer leading up to the Jubilee 2025. He has requested that all Catholics pray the Rosary at the same time at 7.00pm (local time) on Monday, 7th October, the feast of the Holy Rosary. People may join Knock Shrine online at this time at www.knockshrine.ie

Ordinations to the Priesthood and Diaconate

Congratulations to Deacon Brian McNally, Co Tyrone, who was ordained to the priesthood last Sunday in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh by Archbishop Eamon Martin for service in the Archdiocese of Armagh.

Congratulations also to Giacomo Taffi from the Redemptoris Mater Seminary in Dundalk who will be ordained a deacon for the Archdiocese of Armagh by Archbishop Eamon Martin on

12th October in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh. We continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

The Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles will visit Our Lady of Lourdes Church next weekend, 12th - 13th October, as part of the Archdiocese of Armagh 2024 **Mission Awareness in Parishes**, and St Peter's Church on 26th - 27th October. Sr Mary Usifoh, OLA will speak at Masses and leave a mite box at the church entrances.

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, Sunday afternoon, 1.00pm – 4.00pm, except the First Sunday of each month, when exposition will 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 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

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.

St Vincent de Paul monthly church collections this weekend. Local needs are great at this time.

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.*