

Deaths

We pray for the recently deceased Michael Holden, Chord Road, Michael Owens, Forest Park, Mary Byrne, Tom Johnston, Tony Bannon, Joan Cassidy, Sr Mary Corbally, DC, Dolores Dunne, John Haughey, Maria Fagan, Philomena (Mena) Teelan, Br James Nicholas Kearney OSA, Giedrius Kamarauskas, Phyllis Baugh, Íde Lenihan, Fred Kelly. **May they rest in peace.**



Siena Convent: Cards, Candles and Crafts available to order from our Online Shop at the Monastery of St. Catherine of Siena, The Twenties, Drogheda: Link: <https://www.dominicannuns.ie/online-shop.html>

Youth Work Ireland Louth will hold its annual Church Gate collection on the weekend of 16th/17th July 2022. These much needed funds are solely for the support of Volunteers for Youth Clubs throughout County Louth.

Lough Derg Re-Opens Lough Derg welcomes Pilgrims again with a full Pilgrimage programme this summer. Three Day Pilgrimage: 1st June - 15th August. Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups. One Day Retreats and guided Pilgrim Path experience: dates in late August through September. Booking essential. All booking information at www.loughderg.org, E info@loughderg.org or T 071 986 1518.

Support Group for Relatives & Friends who support people with mental health difficulties takes place on the first Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in Boardroom, Ardee Business Park, Hale Street, Ardee. Speaker Aoife Clarke (Psychologist) will discuss Stress Management on Wednesday 6th July 2022 at 7.30pm. Louth Meath Mental Health Services, Dundalk, Tel 042 932 6156.

The Boyne Valley Camino in aid of Peter McVerry Trust will take place on Saturday 9th July. This is a looped route which will begin at St Peter's Church in Drogheda on Saturday morning. The walk will last approximately 5 hours and will stop for lunch along the way. All funds raised will go towards the charity's work with people impacted by homelessness across Ireland. For more information, visit pmvtrust.ie or call 01 823 0776.

The next **Matt Talbot Freedom** from addiction Mass will be held in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on Monday 4th July at 7.30pm. We welcome you to join us at this Mass to pray for all those battling addiction, their families and all those affected by addiction. We pray specifically at this Mass for all those enrolled in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society. If you wish to enrol somebody in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society please call 028 712 62894 or email vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com

The National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on 24th July at 3.00 pm in conjunction with the second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The principal celebrant will be Archbishop Francis Duffy, Archbishop of Tuam and Patron of the Catholic Grandparents Association. The Mass can be viewed on www.knockshrine.ie/watch.

Items for the **Parish Newsletter** may be emailed to parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie or handed into the Parish Office by Wednesday evening each week. The Newsletter will return on Sunday 4th September 2022.

St Peter's Parish Newsletter

St Oliver's Pastoral Area

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd July 2022

Canon Eugene Sweeney PP, VG	St Peter's Parochial House	041 983 8537
Fr Aidan Murphy PE, AP	St Peter's Presbytery	041 983 8239
Fr Cleophas Lungu, Priest in Residence		
Fr Paul Murphy CC	Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery.	041 983 1899
Fr Desmond Branigan CC		
Deacons: David Durrigan & John Taaffe		

St Peter's Church Sacristy	041 984 5355
Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy	041 983 1973

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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, 10.30 and 12 noon.
St Peter's Church Shop
Monday to Thursday 11.00am - 2.00pm
Friday 11.00am - 3.00pm
Saturday 11.00am - 6.00pm
Email:
parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie

The Barbican,
St Peter's Parish Centre
041 980 7416

Sunday 3rd July St Oliver Plunkett Festival Day.

Procession from Holy Family Church at 3.00pm. Mass at 4.00pm in St. Peter's Church.



Celebrant: Bishop Michael Router.
Homilist: Canon Benny Fee, PP, Clonoe, Co. Tyrone, who has written a number of publications relating to St Oliver.

Prayer to St Oliver Plunkett

Glorious Martyr, St Oliver, who willingly gave your life for your faith, help us also to be strong in faith. May we be loyal like you to the See of Peter. By your intercession and example, may all hatred and bitterness be banished from the hearts of Irish men and women. May the peace of Christ reign in our hearts, as it did in your heart, even at the moment of your death. Pray for us and for Ireland. Amen.

A very warm welcome to **Archbishop Eamon Martin** who celebrates the 7.00pm Vigil Mass this Saturday evening 2nd July in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Please come out and welcome Archbishop Eamon. Refreshments will be served afterwards on the church plaza.

Welcome to both **Fr Claudiu Bulai** and **Fr Piotr Wojtala** who will be with us for the summer. Céad míle fáilte!

There will be no Sunday evening Benediction in July or August.

World Meeting of Families 2022: Family Love: Vocation and Path to Holiness

Speaking from Rome after the Festival of Families which concluded last Sunday in Rome, Archbishop Eamon Martin, who led the Irish delegation, said, "It was very moving to hear the testimony of the various families, just sharing their own real stories of their daily lives. We really got a sense of the struggles of family, the pain of family, but, also the joy of family and the tremendous commitment and dedication between parents and children which really makes family work. I find myself really thinking of a lot of families who are struggling and just bringing them to prayer tonight and hopefully this joy of this Festival of Families will continue over the next few days here at the World Meeting of Families."

Congratulations to Deacons Stephen Wilson, Coalisland, Co Tyrone and Colm Hagan, Portadown, Co Armagh, who were ordained priests for the Archdiocese of Armagh in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh Armagh last Sunday. Ad multos annos. We wish them many long and happy years of ministry.

Covid-19 Safety Parishioners are asked to continue to wear **face masks** unless medically prohibited from doing so, **to sanitise their hands** on entry into the church, and to be mindful of **adequate social distancing**. Sanitisation of churches continues to be a priority. Holy Communion continues to be received **on the hand only**.

During the Pandemic, please take home the missalette you have used at Mass as well as your copy of the Newsletter.

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in St Peter's Church in the main body of the Church during Church opening hours, except when Mass or some other liturgy is being celebrated, and may also be viewed by webcam. Adoration also takes place each Sunday in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 1.00pm – 4.00pm.

Confessions, observing social distancing and the wearing of face masks, 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 are conducted according to best public health practice. 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 Peter's Shop

A large range of religious objects, including signed shared Mass Cards and Bouquets available (Monday to Thursday, 11.00am – 2.00pm, Friday 11.00am – 3.00pm. Saturday 11.00am -6.00pm. Mass Cards and Bouquets also available in both sacristies.

St Vincent de Paul (Freephone 1800 67 77 77) and **Drogheda River Rescue Emergency** (089 250 5562) continue to be ready to help anyone in need. **Samaritans** call 116 123 for free. **Aware** 1800 80 48 48

The **Parish Newsletter** is available at the back of the churches throughout the week. Also see church noticeboards, parish website and Facebook page.

St Vincent de Paul church gate collection this weekend at all Masses.

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Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal – Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Monday 10.00am Mass

Novena to St Martin de Porres – St Peter's Church, Monday, 10.30am Mass

Novena to St Anthony of Padua – St. Peter's Church, Tuesday, 10.30am & 7.30pm Masses.

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal – St Peter's Church Wednesday after 10.30am Mass.

Novena to Our Lady of Fatima – St Peter's Church, Saturday, 10.30am Mass.

Pope Francis' intention for July: We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people: may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will take place on Sunday 24th July with the theme "In old age they will still bear fruit" (Psalm 92:15)

Altar Society church gate collection in both St Peter's and Our Lady of Lourdes Churches will be held on the weekend of 23rd / 24th July. Many thanks to the altar societies in both churches for their great work.

Parish Collection for the weekend of 25th / 26th June 2022

Loose €1,330 Envelopes €1,570 **Total €2,900**

Summer Dues for the support of the priests of the parish will be collected over the coming few weeks. Many thanks for your support. Envelopes at the back of churches.

Cemetery Sunday Thanks

Sincere thanks to all who prepared family graves in St Peter's Cemetery or Newtown Cross Cemetery for the Cemetery blessings last Sunday. Thank you to those who contributed to the collection at St Peter's Cemetery, by envelope, or online for the upkeep of St Peter's Cemetery through the parish website, www.saintpetersdrogheda.ie (donate / general parish upkeep / message – St Peter's Cemetery). The total amount so far is €6,688, which is very generous. Many thanks to CE participants and volunteers for maintaining the Cemetery so well, to the Cemetery Committee, and those who organised and participated in the liturgy.