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Recordings of the Rosary

Recordings of the 20 mysteries of the Rosary, with meditations, by the Dominican Nuns, Monastery of St Catherine of Siena, Drogheda can be downloaded from www.dominicannun.ie

St Pio Devotions will be held in St Mary's Church on Thursday 18th May. Rosary at 7.10pm. Mass at 7.30pm followed by blessing with relic of St Pio. All welcome to attend.

Rosary Campaign 2023 Human Life International Ireland is asking the faithful to record the number of Masses attended, Rosaries prayed, Holy Hours offered and Fast Days observed, for the defence of Life, Faith and Family in Ireland. At the end of the year these devotions will be tallied and on 12th December, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Protectress of the unborn, they will be offered at the feet of Our Lady at her national shrine in Knock. For more information, please see www.humanlife.ie

Youth members from the **Neocatechumenal Way** in the Armagh Diocese will sell booklets and candles next weekend (20th/21st May) after masses as a fundraiser to attend the World Youth Day in Lisbon in August.

Scoil Aonghusa – Drogheda's Gaelscoil since 1981. Application forms for Junior Infant pupils for September 2023 are now available from Scoil Aonghusa or on the website www.scoilaonghusa.com Completed application forms should be returned to Scoil Aonghusa, Sunday's Gate, Drogheda A92 PY18. Contact details: 041 983 2531 oifig.scoilaonghusa@gmail.com

giveblood.ie Support your local blood clinic! TL, Matthews Lane, 3.50pm-8.00pm: Monday 15th – Thursday 19th May 2023. Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd May 2023 St. Mary's Primary School, Bryanstown, 5:30pm-9.00pm: Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th May. Give blood, save lives. #WeCountOnYou. Call 1800 222 111 to book an appointment. Check your eligibility at giveblood.ie

The next meeting of the **Drogheda COPD** support group will take place in the Barbican Centre, on Friday 26th May from 2.30pm - 4.30pm. People with the condition are welcome to attend and please bring a friend along also! Everything discussed at our meetings is done so in strict confidence. Refreshments served. For further information contact Peter McQuillan (Chairperson) on 087 807 1138 or Ollie Morgan (Secretary) on 083 415 6104.

Interested in working as a qualified Carer? Louth Local Development Company is offering FREE part-time day and evening healthcare training for people living in Louth who are in receipt of a social welfare payment or those not in receipt of a social payment but not working outside the home. If interested, please telephone 087 361 1956 or email Rachel.corwell@lldc.ie

Barbican Centre: Bingo every Thursday night at 8.00pm.

Items for the Parish Newsletter may be emailed to parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie or handed into the Parish Office by Wednesday evening each week.

St Peter's Parish Newsletter

St Oliver's Pastoral Area

Sixth Sunday of Easter

14th May 2023

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 Desmond Branigan CC	Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery.	041 983 1899
Fr Piotr Wojtala CC		
Deacons: David Durrigan & John Taaffe		
	St Peter's Church Sacristy	041 984 5355
	Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy	041 983 1973
www.saintpetersdrogheda.ie		Email parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie

May, the Month of our Blessed Mother

Confirmation and First Communion Congratulations

Congratulations to the children of St Oliver's NS who made their Confirmation on Thursday last 11th May, and to the children of Presentation Primary School who made their First Communion on Friday 12th May. Many thanks to their teachers for preparing the children so well for the beautiful liturgies, to the school principals and clergy.

Central Diocesan Fund

There is a second envelope next weekend for the 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.

LMFM Mass

LMFM will record the 7.00pm Mass next Saturday evening, 20th May, from Our Lady of Lourdes Church. It will be broadcast on LMFM radio the following day, Sunday 21st May at 9.00am.

Rosary and Benediction on Sunday in St Peter's Church at 5.00pm.

2023 Leinster GAA Senior Football Championship

Best of luck to Kieran Downey and Alan Connor from our Parish and to the whole Louth team today. **Lú abú!**



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

Cemetery Sunday will take place as usual on the last Sunday of June, this year 25th June, in St Peter's Cemetery at 3.00pm, and Newtown Cross Cemetery at 5.00pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Eucharistic Adoration now takes place in St Peter's Church in the main body of the Church, Monday to Friday, 11.00am – 5.00pm, and may also be viewed by webcam. Adoration also takes place each Sunday in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 1.00pm – 4.00pm

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

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 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



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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 May: For church movements and groups. We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Baptism

We welcome Abby-lee Newman & Liyah Oyindamola Agboola **into the Christian community.**

Deaths

We pray for the recently deceased Sr Elizabeth Dooley, MMM, Beechgrove, Tommy Moran, Pearse Park, Gerard Duffy, Glenmore Drive, Freddie (Frank) Heeney, Peter Clarke, Sarah (Sally) Morgan, Val Phillips, Michael Carolan, Bernard (Barney) Maguire, Ellis Rogers. **May they rest in peace.**



Parish Collection for the weekend of 6th /May 2023

Loose €1,485 Envelopes €1,540 Tap to Donate €349 **Total** €3,374

Vocation Sunday collection €1,160

St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, 150th Anniversary

To mark the 150th anniversary of the opening and dedication of St Patrick's Cathedral in Armagh in 1873 a number of celebrations are planned.

Thursday 25th May An invitation to all mothers and grandmothers in the Archdiocese of Armagh 7.00pm - Evening Prayer followed by a presentation on the history of St Patrick's Cathedral (not live streamed) Refreshments to follow in The Synod Hall. (All Mothers & Grandmothers are asked to bring a piece of cloth, 8 inches by 8 inches, which symbolise their many crosses in life. These will be pieced together to create a special Diocesan Tapestry, which will acknowledge their pain and sufferings of the past but also their hopes for the future!)

Anyone wishing to avail of transport from the parish to Armagh can do so by contacting the Parish Office at parishoffice@saintpetersdrogheda.ie St Peter's Church Sacristy, 041 984 5355, stpeterschurch@saintpetersdrogheda.ie or Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sacristy, 041 983 1973, ollchurch@saintpetersdrogheda.ie People of course are welcome to make their own travel arrangements.

In this special year, people are invited to make a special effort to visit the Cathedral and to light a candle and say a prayer, in gratitude for those who built it and all who have helped maintain it over the years. People are also invited to offer a donation when visiting the Mother Church of the Archdiocese, to help support the Cathedral in the future.

The annual **Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock**, led by Archbishop Eamon Martin, will be held on Saturday 3rd June. A coach will leave from Our Lady of Lourdes Church at 7.45am. Cost €25. Contact Damien 083 350 4551 or Jacqueline 086 160 7287 for further information or booking.

Pentecost Programme: All are welcome to the following four Monday nights, 8.00pm-9.30pm 15th, 22nd, 29th May & 12th June. "Bethany" House of Prayer, 34 Point Road, Dundalk. A91 WOC 9 Tel 042-933 1602.

A Life of Adoration, Prayer, Intercession for the World: Vocation Discernment Weekend 26th-28th May 2023 for single women (18-35years). Please contact