

St Peter's Parish Newsletter

St Oliver's Pastoral Area
The Most Holy Trinity
31st May 2026

Canon Eugene Sweeney PP
Fr Aidan Murphy PE, AP
Fr Cleophas Lungu, Priest in Residence
Fr Desmond Branigan CC
Fr Piotr Wojtala CC
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St Peter's Parochial House 041 983 8537
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St Peter's Church Sacristy 041 984 5355
Our Lady of Lourdes Sacristy 041 983 1973



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St Peter's Church

Monday to Friday
8.30am & 10.30am
Tuesday
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

The **May Family Mass** takes place in Our Lady of Lourdes Church today Sunday 31st May at 10.30am. We welcome those who have received First Communion or Confirmation this year, and those preparing for exams.

Tomorrow (Monday) is a **Bank Holiday**. There will be no 8.30am Mass in St Peter's church. Mass at 10.00am in Our Lady of Lourdes and 10.30 in St Peter's as usual.

Lourdes Youth Choir Director

St Peter's Parish seeks expressions of interest by 5th June 2026 with regard to the expenses-paid directorship of the Lourdes Youth Choir, a vibrant and highly accomplished girls' choir that sings at the Sunday 10.30am Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. St Peter's Parish, 9 Fair St, Drogheda, Co. Louth, A92 T6WY. Email office@sppd.ie Tel 041 983 8537.



Congratulations to the children of St Ita's school who received their First Holy Communion and Confirmation on Friday. Many thanks to the teachers who prepared the children so well for the ceremonies. We also express our gratitude to the school principal, parents and clergy.

St Anthony's Novena

St Peter's Church

Friday 5th June – Saturday 13th June 2026

Preacher: Fr Ailbe Ó Murchú OFM, Rosstown Friary.
Masses 10.30am & 7.30pm daily,
except Saturday 6th & 13th June, 10.30am & 6.15pm
Sunday 7th June Mass at 11.00am, Holy Hour at 7.30pm
Wednesday 10th June Blessing & Anointing of the Sick
Saturday 13th June: Blessing of lilies at both Masses.
Blessing of children 4.00pm.



There will be a second envelope next weekend 7th June, for **Peter's Pence**. This collection enables Pope Leo to continue the mission of the Universal Church, to support the upkeep of the Vatican offices and missions abroad, and for the discretionary use by the Holy Father for any charitable initiatives within the Universal church, including for the relief of those most in need.

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 – 5.00pm (Tuesday to 7.00pm).



Baptisms: Please contact the sacristies to arrange 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 -12noon. 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

Friday 5th June is the **First Friday** of the month. The clergy will visit the sick in accordance with Government and diocesan norms, but only after consultation with the person concerned or their family. Please contact the parish office, either sacristy or any priest if you or your loved one would like a visit.

The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** is recited after the 10.00am Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church each First Friday. The monthly Mass in honour of the **Sacred Heart** (Pioneer Association) will be celebrated on Friday at 10.30am in St Peter's Church.

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.



Rosary and Benediction will be held in St Peter's Church, West St, at 5.00pm each Sunday in May, in honour of Our Lady.

Baptism

We welcome Eve O'Reilly *into the Christian community*

Deaths

We pray for the recently deceased Gerard Byrne, Paddy McEntegart, Gertie Brennan, Noreen White, Frank McShane, Paul Floody, Joan Smith, Kevin Kirwan, Jackie Moran, John Quinn, Mary Black, John Murray, Angela Dunne, Christopher Gregan. **May they rest in peace.**

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

Theology, Adult Education and Pastoral Ministry starting 26th September. A two-year part-time programme with 6 modules per year. Do you want to learn more about your Faith? Do you want to feel more confident talking about your faith? If you do, why not enrol in our Diocesan Theology Programme. There are no entrance qualifications and no exams. Adult Faith Formation is part of our Diocesan Synodal process. We will begin with a non-residential weekend in September. If you are interested, please contact Milanda at milanda@parishandfamily.ie or 042 934 2954.

Cemetery Sunday 2026

will take place as usual on the last Sunday of June, which falls this year on Sunday 28th June. St Peter's Cemetery at 3.00pm and Newtown Cross at 5.00pm.

LMFM Mass Those who wish to register their hope that the Sunday 9.00am broadcast Mass on LMFM might recommence should please contact the station directly on info@lmfm.ie or write to the Station at LMFM, Rathmullan Rd, Drogheda, A92 T274.

Parish Collection for the weekend of 23rd/24th May 2026

Loose €1,592 Envelopes €1,260 Tap to Donate €1,056
Total €3,908

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 the churches. Many thanks to our collectors.



41st All Ireland Rosary Rally Saturday 6th June Knock Shrine Archbishop Eamon Martin reconsecrates Ireland to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. An impressive line-up of speakers who live and love the rosary as well as apostolate stands exhibiting on the day.

Walk in the footsteps of our Patron Saint on **St Patrick's Way Pilgrim Walk** in Downpatrick with guides Martina Purdy and Elaine Kelly on Saturday 6th June 2026. Starting at Saint Patricks Centre, price includes entrance fees, internal bus transfers, pilgrimage lunch at the Saul Barn, plus a stamped Camino passport and a 6mile pilgrimage walk finishing at Saint Patrick's grave. (Duration 9.00am-approx 3.00pm, all for just £55) To book ring 00 44 28 4461 9000 or go to www.saintpatrickcentre.com

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