

Children's Corner

Thank you God for sending Jesus to be our Saviour and our friend.
Thank you also that He is a **King**.
Help us always to follow him, honour Him, and serve Him in His Kingdom.
Thank you God Amen



THANK
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GOD
FOR

(FILL IN)

Dear God, please help me to be good today and to do what is right. Help me to listen well and to be kind to others." God bless my family and keep them safe. Help us to love each other and to care for one another just like you care for us.

Parish of St. Mary CREGGAN



SUNDAY MASS Vigil (Saturday)

6.30 pm
10.30 am
12.15 pm

Polish Mass

4.00 pm (every 2nd & 4th Sunday)

HOLY DAY MASS

as announced

WEEK DAY MASS

Monday-Saturday 10.00 am
Tuesday & Friday 7.30 pm

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Monday - Friday 5.00 pm - 5.30 pm
Saturday - 10.30 am
5.30 pm - 6.20 pm

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT (in the Divine Mercy Chapel)

Sunday 1.30 pm - 6 pm
Monday 10.30 am - 7 pm
Tue - Sat 10.30 am - 12 pm

Fr. Daniel McFaul PP

Fr. Ignacy Saniuta CC

PAROCHIAL HOUSE. 1 FANAD DRIVE, DERRY. BT48 9QE

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 10 am - 1 pm

www.stmaryscreggan.com

BAPTISMS Saturday at 5pm Contact the Parish Office 71263152 between 10am-12 noon Mon-Fri

MARRIAGES At least 3 months notice must be given to the Parish. Contact Parish Office to arrange Pre-Marriage Preparation Course.

THE WEBCAM: To join us for the live streaming of all Masses via the webcam, log into www.cregganchapel.com or www.churchservies.tv/creggan.

If you have any difficulty accessing the webcam, please contact the parish office on 028 7126 3152 or email stmaryscreggan@derrydiocese.org.

IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS REGARDING SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & ADULTS

in need of protection within the Church, please contact Marie Gormley, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) 07596500793 or at mariegormley@derrydiocese.org Additional Contact numbers - PSNI Tel 101 or Social Services Western SHC Trust Tel 02871314090 (ask for Duty Social Worker)

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24th November 2024

Christ the King



In today's Gospel, the Solemnity of Christ the King, the culmination of the Liturgical Year of the Church, Jesus is confronted by Pilate regarding His kingship. In the end, He revealed Himself as the one who will testify to the truth. He is the King of Truth.

In a world that often values power, wealth, and success, Christ's kingship stands in stark contrast. He reigns not by force but by love. He leads not with arrogance but with humility. He serves not for personal gain but for the well-being of others. This is the kind of leadership that our world desperately needs.

As we honour Christ the King, let us surrender our lives to His loving rule. Let us allow Him to be the King of our hearts, guiding us in acts of kindness, compassion, and love. Let us be a community that serves the least among us, recognizing the presence of our King in their faces.

2025 Parish Draw: Tickets for the Parish Draw 2025 are now available in the Sacristy after **week-end Masses** and at the Parish Office during office hours at a cost of £120 cash or £10 per month by standing order. Subscribers must be at least 18 years of age. First prize £1000, 2nd prize £500 and 3rd prize £250 each month. This would make an ideal Christmas present and at the same time you will be supporting the on-going maintenance and upkeep of our Church.

Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards will be available until Christmas in the porches of the Church, the Sacristy and the Parish office (Monday-Friday, 10am to 1pm) price £2 each. The recipients intentions will be remembered in a triduum of Masses which will be celebrated over the Christmas period.



The 7.30 pm Mass each Friday during Advent will be a Rorate Mass. The Rorate Mass has a long tradition in the Church. The name comes from the opening words of the Entrance Antiphon, Rorate cæli desuper, Latin for "Drop down dew, ye heavens". This is a Votive Mass in honour of Our Lady for the season of Advent, celebrated by candlelight either early in the morning or in the evening. Our Lady shows herself in a special way as our leader through Advent to Christmas. The Mass begins in darkness – candles will be provided. The Church lights will be switched on when the Gloria is proclaimed.

CONCERN WORLDWIDE CHRISTMAS APPEAL: CONCERN is facing huge demands on its resources this Christmas and appeals for your help by donating at the Appeals Office, Millennium Forum, Derry on **Friday 29 and Saturday 30 November** only from 10am until 6pm.

Recent Deaths: We offer prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of



Phyllis McDermott, Lislane Drive
Colm Cusack, Melmore Gardens
Martin Toland, (formerly Dawros Gardens)

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God.

Last Week's Collection £1797 Parish Development £637

Standing Orders £122 Thank you for your continued support and generosity

Prayer for Vocations: That those called by the Lord to be priests of the diocese of Derry will "bear witness to the truth" as they help God's people to listen to the voice of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, whose Kingdom "will never pass away."

Parish Pastoral Bereavement Support: The next pastoral bereavement support group meeting is on **Sunday 8th December at 3.00pm** in the Parochial House. The group is relaxed, informal and within a spiritual setting. Please contact 07879951722 for more details. If you prefer you can also ring to arrange a one-to-one confidential support meeting at all other times.

Job Vacancy: Diocesan Youth Coordinator 35 hours per week (including evening & weekend work) 1 Year Fixed Term Contract with possible extension. For Job Description and Application Pack please contact the Diocesan Office on 71262302 or email recruitment@derrydiocese.org Completed applications must be returned to Personnel, Bishop's House, St Eugene's Cathedral, Francis Street, Derry, BT48 9AP or via email to recruitment@derrydiocese.org no later than 4.30pm on **11th December 2024**.

Saint Mary's College annual Mass of Remembrance for deceased pupils, staff and governors will take place on **Thursday 28th November 2024** at 7.00pm in the school multi-purpose hall. If you would like to add a name to the list of those to be remembered, please contact Fiona at the school office on 02871362154 or email fmurray658@c2ken.net. All are welcome, refreshments will be served after the Mass.

PILGRIMAGES TO MEDJUGORJE 2025 Bookings are now being taken for two Pilgrimages to Medjugorje. 7th May leaving from City of Derry Airport....£745 per person sharing. 2nd July leaving from Belfast International Airport...£765 per person sharing. For both Pilgrimages there is a £50 discount if deposit paid before 31st January. Pilgrimages are organised through Marian Pilgrimages(Dublin). Early booking strongly recommended. For more details, please contact John Murray on 0780 1105575.

Christmas Carols by Candlelight followed by Live Crib at 5pm, at St Patrick's Church, Crossroads, Killygordon, on **Sunday 15 December**. Hot Chocolate will be served! Everyone is welcome.