

Children's Corner

The Angelus - prayed at 12 noon and 6pm

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary....

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
Be it done to me according to thy word.

Hail Mary. . .

And the Word was made flesh. (genuflect)
And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary. . .

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord,
Thy grace into our hearts,
That we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son
was made known by the message of an angel,
may by His Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.
Through the same Christ Our Lord. **Amen**



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

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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.creggan.chapel.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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19th January 2025 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



The gospel reading today tells us of the first miracle of Jesus according to John. It happened at a wedding at Cana, a village in lower Galilee. We must remember that the very purpose of John in writing his gospel was to introduce to his readers that Jesus was and is the Messiah. Therefore, the miracle at Cana is one of the evidences that indeed Jesus was the most-awaited

Messiah. It must also be pointed out that Jesus came to earth to reunite the people with God the Father. The wedding at Cana is therefore a most fitting introduction to this endeavour of “union”.

The miracle of turning water into wine is an inauguration of God’s presence in the world. In the last supper, we know that Jesus turned wine into His own blood. The “hour” that Jesus mentioned refers to His glorification through His passion, death and resurrection.

Parish Draw: Registration for the Parish Draw will close this week. Tickets are still available after this week-end Masses and from the Parish Office Monday-Friday 10am to 1pm. In order to meet our quota of 350 we have approx. **40** tickets left. If you would like to buy a ticket please do so as soon as possible as the first Draw of 2025 will take place next **Saturday 25th January** immediately after the Vigil Mass in the Community Room.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2025 begins today, Sunday 19 January and continues until Saturday 25 January. The theme for this year is ‘**Catholic Schools: Alive in Christ**’. During Catholic Schools Week families, parishes and schools are invited to participate in a week of celebration of Catholic schools, reflecting on their contribution to the common good of society. The national resource pack with ideas to help schools and parishes celebrate this week is available online at [Catholic Schools Week 2025 – Alive in Christ! | Catholic Education Partnership](#)

Prayer for Vocations: As we pray for the grace to use our God-given gifts as God would wish us to use them we pray in particular for those called to use them as priests in the service of the parishes and people of our diocese.

Accord is now seeking marriage preparation facilitators. Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you: are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church; and, have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage ... then Accord wishes to hear from you! Successful applicants will receive professional training in the Accord marriage preparation programme and be part of a team delivering programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie and for further information see www.accord.ie

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



Robert Montgomery, formerly Westway

May his soul experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

Last Week's Collection £1600 Parish Development £580

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

Invitation to 33 Days of Family Prayer: Bishop McKeown continues to deliver this online on the Diocese of Derry Facebook, each evening at **7pm** concluding on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Tuesday **11 February 2025**.

Derry Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Fatima: We are inviting young people aged 16 + to join us on pilgrimage to Fatima for 4 nights from 14 July to 18th July. This will be a unique experience for young people and an opportunity to engage with their peers from around the world in a faith context. Cost is £700 and there will be a budget plan to help with this. Names and deposit of £100 are required as soon as possible to secure a place. For more information or to book in please contact lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org 00 44 2871264087

To mark Christian Unity Week City Centre Churches are holding a Walking Service on **Monday 20th of January**, starting at First Derry Presbyterian Church at 7 pm. The Waterside Christian Unity event will take place on **Wednesday 22nd January**, starting at 7 pm in St Columb's Church, Chapel Road and ending in Ebrington Presbyterian Church. Everyone is most welcome at one or both of these events.

To celebrate Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025, St. Eugene's Cathedral, Christ Church along with The Association of Iconographers Ireland, invite you to an **Exhibition of Icons** in St. Eugene's Cathedral Hall, Infirmary Road, Derry, BT48 7ER from Monday 20 January to Wednesday 22 January 2025 from 10.30am to 8.30pm. Entry to the exhibition is free and everyone is welcome to attend.

Book Launch celebrating the Life of Dr Tom McGinley – Founder of the Foyle Hospice **Wednesday 29th January at 7.15pm** - Doors open from 6.45pm. St Columb's Hall, Orchard Street, Derry BT48 6EG **FREE ENTRY** Booking essential www.ticketsource.co.uk/stcolumbshall The new book is written by Dr Keith Munro £15 per book (cash only, please) Proceeds to Foyle Hospice.

St Mary's College – if you missed our Open Day you can book a tour of the school on the following dates: Wednesday 22nd January Wednesday 29th January Wednesday 5th February. Tours will begin at 4pm and end at 5pm. Please contact the school to book a tour on (028) 71362154.

Rosary on the Coast: Today at Benone Beach at 3pm for world peace and the unborn babies, all are welcome.