

## Children's Corner



**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](http://www.cregganchapel.com) or [www.churchservies.tv/creggan](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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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# Parish of St. Mary CREGGAN



### SUNDAY MASS

Vigil (Saturday)

6.30 pm  
10.30 am  
12.15 pm

Polish Mass

4.00pm (every 2nd & 4th Sunday)

### SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

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

### HOLY DAY MASS

as announced

### WEEK DAY MASS

Monday-Saturday 10.00 am  
Tuesday & Friday 7.30 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](http://www.stmaryscreggan.com)

## 23rd February 2025 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our Gospel for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time this year is challenging. Jesus is telling us in the Gospel of Luke that we need to love our enemies and forgive those who persecute us. It's a tall order. Without God's grace and a firm determination to fulfill this command of our Lord, it's probably insurmountable. But Jesus tells us also in Matthew 19:26 that "for human beings, this is im-

possible, but *for God all things are possible.*" Forgiving someone doesn't mean you think that what they did was fair, right or just. It *does* mean that you are finished with wanting retribution or an apology. You let it go. This is a process and one that ultimately leads to our own freedom and healing.

By praying intentionally for the ones who have offended us, in time, and with God's grace, we will one day be able to forgive and let go.

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**Pilgrimage to Rome for the Holy Year:** Fr Daniel is hoping to lead a Pilgrimage to Rome in October 2025. Final dates and details to follow. If interested please contact the Parish Office during office hours Mon-Fri 10am to 1pm Tel 028 71263152.

**Prayer for Vocations:** In this weekend's gospel Jesus reminds us of the challenge to love without discrimination or counting the cost. We pray for those called to preach the Gospel of love as priests of the diocese of Derry. Vocations Weekend in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, 7-9 March. Anyone interested should contact Fr Pat O'Hagan at [pgoh2111@gmail.com](mailto:pgoh2111@gmail.com)

**Holy Hour for Vocations:** There will be a Holy Hour for intercession for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life in the Diocese of Derry on Wednesday 26th February at 8:00pm in St Columb's Church, Chapel Road, Derry. All welcome to come and pray.

**LIFE Camp 2025:** Living - In - Faith - Everywhere: LIFE Camp is a voluntary organisation staffed by teachers, students and experienced volunteers. It takes place in St. Mary's College, Northland Road, Derry. We are calling all pupils currently in P3 - P7.

Week 1: Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th July and Week 2: Monday 7th July - Friday 11th July. Cost for Week 1 is £35. Cost for Week 2 is £40. To register go to [www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Life%20Summer%20Camp](http://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Life%20Summer%20Camp)

**Gamblers Anonymous:** Is Gambling affecting your life? Perhaps we can help. Tel 028 7135 1329.

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



Tony McLaughlin (Dublin)  
Conor Collins, Malin Gardens  
Ann Moore, Glenowen Park

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

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**Last Week' Collection** £1415 Parish Development £527

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

**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. 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](mailto:lizzie.rea@derrydiocese.org) 00 44 2871264087.

**Dromantine Summer Camp 2025** Registration for Camp 2025 goes live on Saturday 1st March for players (11-16) and the leadership team (17+). For more information about camp and how to register please visit our website at [www.dromantinesummercamp.co.uk](http://www.dromantinesummercamp.co.uk). 2025 Camp dates: Boys week 1: 20th - 25th July, 2: 27th July - 1st August, Girls week 1: 3rd - 8th August, 2: 10th - 15th August

**Holy Family Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes** 4th -9th July 2025 Deposits and Savings scheme available on Thursdays at Holy Family Parish Office Ballymagroarty from 10.30am-12noon. contact Margaret 07732468511

**'Sing for Joy!' - A Day of Music and Ministry** *Are you involved, or keen to become involved in Church Music in your Parish, School, University etc.?* We invite you to join us for **'Sing for Joy!' - A Day of Music and Ministry**. Saturday 26th April 2025 at Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co. Donegal. Boat departs at 9:30am.

In the prayerful setting of Lough Derg, this day will provide space for the power of music to nourish our spirit and allow us to give praise to God through the beauty of sound, song and silence. There will be various inputs as well as time to pray, connect with others and explore this Sacred place. The day will conclude with the Celebration of the Eucharist at 5pm (open to the public). This day is open to young people aged 18-35 and is free to attend (supported by the Knights of St Columbanus). Registration is essential via <https://bit.ly/SingforJoy> . For further information please contact [info@knightsfstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk](mailto:info@knightsfstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk) / +447759496677.

**Derry Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** payments for the pilgrimage are acceptable by online payment or cheque (cash payments not acceptable). Bank details: BANK: AIB, Meadowbank, Derry SORT CODE 93-80-25 ACCOUNT NUMBER 16225-072 ACCOUNT NAME: Derry Diocesan Lourdes Account