

Children's Corner

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of Heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into Hell;
on the third day He rose again
from the dead;
He ascended into Heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;
from there He shall come to
judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and life everlasting. **Amen**

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Parish of St. Mary CREGGAN



SUNDAY MASS

Vigil (*Saturday*) 6.30 pm
10.30 am
12.15 pm

Polish Mass **4.00 pm (every 2nd & 4th Sunday)**

HOLY DAY MASS

as announced

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

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

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

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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2nd March 2025

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Can a blind person guide a blind person?" If they try, they may "both fall into a pit." If a blind person went walking down Main Street when the construction is going on, they might end up in a trench. The blind person needs someone to guide them. Of course, Jesus is referring to more than just physical blindness. When we face moral choices in our lives, how well do we know **what** our faith teaches us, so that we can apply it to whatever situation we face.

Jesus also speaks to us about the importance of producing good fruit in our lives. In this context, "fruit" symbolizes the results of our actions, behaviour, and the character we demonstrate. Just like a healthy tree produces good and edible fruit, our lives should reflect goodness, kindness, and love. If we fail to show these qualities, we risk facing severe consequences, akin to a tree being cut down for not fulfilling its purpose. This verse challenges us to reflect on the kind of "fruit" we are producing and whether it aligns with the teachings of Jesus. It's a reminder that our faith should result in positive changes in our lives and the lives of those around us.

Ash Wednesday: 5th March - Day of Fasting and Abstinence: Mass will be at 7.00 am, 10.00 am and 7.30 pm. **Ashes will only be distributed after Mass.**

Ways to Celebrate the Season of Lent

Morning Mass: Monday - Friday - 7.00 am and 10.00 am

Evening Mass: Tuesday and Friday - 7.30 pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy and for the Holy Souls: Monday - Friday at 12 Noon

Rosary: Monday - Thursday - 7.00 pm and Friday at 6.45 pm

Candlelit Stations of the Cross: Friday at 7.00 pm

Confessions: 5.00 pm - 5.30 pm Monday - Friday.

Saturday after 10.00 am Mass and 5.30 pm - 6.20 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sunday 1.30 pm - 6.00 pm. Mondays after 10am Mass until 7.00 pm. Tue 10.30 am - 12 Noon, and 8.00 pm - 9.00 pm (Rosary and Confessions)

Wed - Sat 10.30 am - 12 Noon *in the Divine Mercy Chapel*

Rosary and Devotions: Sunday at 6.00 pm

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



William James McColgan, Fanad Drive
Christy Gillen, Culdaff Gardens

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

Recent Baptisms: *We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism*

Freja Kathleen Donnell, Kohán Nathan Ciaran McCauley,
Edie Cait McAuley, Rayán Anne Harkin-McCosker,
Ronan Michael Irwin and Jude Liam Gallagher



Last Week's Collection £1536 Parish Development £457

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

The Annual Holy Land collection will be taken up at all Masses next week-end.

Confirmation: We pray for the P7 children of St John's PS who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 7th March 2025.

Prayer for Vocations: With encouraging words for those contemplating a vocation to the diocesan priesthood, St Paul says in our second reading this weekend, "... keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain." We pray in particular for those attending the Vocations Weekend in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne, this coming weekend.

Parish Draw: we congratulate the winners of last week's draw:

1st Prize	£1000	Bridgeen Doherty	Ticket Number	49
2nd Prize	£500	Michael Doherty	Ticket Number	214
3rd Prize	£250	Josephine Cusack	Ticket Number	139

*The next draw will take place on **Saturday 29th March** immediately after the Vigil Mass in the Community Room.*

Pope Francis has invited us this Lent to "journey in hope together". A short-term pledge is available via www.pioneerassociation.org for parishioners who wish to become a "pilgrim of hope" for people who are living under the shadow of addiction.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group, Holy Family Chapel, Ballymagrorty will take place on Tuesday 4 March 2025. Starting with Rosary at 6.45pm, celebration of holy Mass at 7.15pm, then the priest will bless everyone with a first class relic of St. Pio, while closing prayers are recited. Everyone welcome.

Rosary on the Coast: 3.00pm today at Lisfannon Beach, for world peace and the unborn babies. Everyone welcome.