

The Parable of The Rich Man and Lazarus



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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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oGlory be to the Father

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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 O'Kane, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) 07596500793 or at dlp@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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28th September 2025

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The gospel this Sunday puts before us the abundance of the rich man and the poverty of Lazarus. He is lying at the rich man's door with the dogs as his only companions. We can well imagine the rich man simply stepping over Lazarus. He is so self-absorbed that Lazarus' condition does not affect him in any way. When both die, Lazarus inherits eternal life with God, but the rich man does not fare as well. Only when he dies does he take notice of Lazarus, but it's too late.

This gospel presents two challenging questions, *how do I treat others, especially the poor and marginalized and how do I respond when someone else asks for my help?* We hear the gospel every time we celebrate the Eucharist. But its message about how we are to live as followers of Jesus does not only come from scripture. It also comes through those lying at *our* door, and through those who are begging on our streets. God's word and message comes to us through others. God's word can be seen and heard as someone who is in need. The rich man did nothing *to* Lazarus. Neither did he do anything *for* Lazarus. His sin was indifference. This week, let us look beyond our needs and see where we can help another person and make a difference.

40 Hours Solemn Annual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Begins today Sunday at 1pm and concludes on Monday at 7pm

Vigil in Divine Mercy Chapel 10pm-10am

Concluding Holy Hour 6pm—7pm



"Public and private devotion to the Holy Eucharist outside Mass is highly recommended: for the presence of Christ, who is adored by the faithful in the Sacrament, derives from the sacrifice and is directed towards sacramental and spiritual communion." (*Inaestimabile Donum*)

"The Church and the world have great need of Eucharistic adoration. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and contemplation full of faith. And let us be ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease." (*Dominicae Cena: Letter to Priests, Holy Thursday, 1980*)

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



Bernard McGuigan
Tom Price

Iniscarn Crescent
Formerly Demesne Gardens

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

Recent Baptisms: *We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism*
Clódagh Sofia Parke



RECENT WEDDINGS *We congratulate:* Megan Smith & Ryan Rankin and
Seáneen Burke & Christopher Conaghan

May the grace of the Sacrament remain with them all their lives.

Last Week's Retired Priest Fund Collection £1947 Parish Development £442

The Priest's collection will be taken up at all Masses next week-end

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

Pope Leo urges Catholics to pray daily Rosary for peace in October

Pope Leo XIV invites the faithful to join in praying the Rosary every day during October to invoke God's gift of peace, and announces a Rosary of Peace in St. Peter's Square on October 11th as part of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality. This initiative is part of the Church's dedication to the Holy Rosary and aims to unite the faithful in prayer for peace in war-torn lands. The Pope's invitation extends to all Catholics, encouraging them to pray the Rosary personally, in family and in community. The Pope's message is a call to Christians to share the love of Jesus, which "illuminates and lifts up humanity," and to stand in solidarity with those affected by violence and conflict.

Here in St Mary's, in our Divine Mercy Chapel, during the month of October, we will pray the Rosary for peace Monday to Friday at 7pm and on Sunday at 6pm.

Mass and Holy Hour for Vocations: The 7:30pm Mass on **Tuesday 30th September** in St Columb's Church, Chapel Road, Waterside, Derry, will be offered for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood in the Diocese of Derry. This will be followed by a Holy Hour from 8:00pm to 9:00pm, concluding with Night Prayer and Benediction. All are welcome to come and pray.

IS GAMBLING AFFECTING YOUR LIFE? Perhaps we can help. Tel: 028 7135 1329.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD: Have you been affected or hurt by abortion? If so, please contact Michelle on 07871765181.