



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
 And kindle in them the fire of your love
 Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created,
 And you shall renew the face of the earth.

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

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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 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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11th January 2026

The Baptism of our Lord



Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of Jesus, John is seen as the humble one, not even worthy to undo the sandal straps of Jesus. He symbolically uses water as a sign of the refreshing forgiveness of God, while the Messiah will bring the gift of the Holy Spirit to transform the world. In the meantime, Jesus, the sinless one enters the water and fully identifies with those seeking forgiveness from God. This is a true sign of the strength of incarnation. God does not stand on the sidelines or on the banks

of the Jordan, but chooses to be fully involved and immersed in the life of the world. He will be one with human beings, sharing in their greatness, but also in their grief. He does that, so that walking out of the water, he has accepted our humanity and shares with us his divinity. In that rising out of the water, His Father looks down and exclaim, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." In this feast we have yet another Epiphany or revelation of who Jesus is: the BELOVED of God, who invites us all in to share that love.

2026 Parish Draw: There is still time if you would like to buy a ticket or promote them within your family and friends. Please call into the Sacristy after week-end Masses or at the Parish Office during office hours Monday-Friday 10am - 1pm.

Tickets cost of £120 cash or by standing order, £10 per month. If you paid by standing order in 2025 you will need to re-apply for a new ticket for the 2026 Draw - just call into the Sacristy after week-end Masses or at the Parish Office.

Parish Pastoral Bereavement Support. The first pastoral bereavement support group meeting of 2026 will take place today **Sunday 11th January at 3.00pm** in the church parochial house. The Christmas and New year period is often a difficult time for those who have recently lost a loved one. The bereavement support group offers an opportunity to avail of a safe, confidential, supportive space for anyone experiencing the pain and grief of loss. It offers a space to remember, talk freely about your loved one, voice and find possible ways forward with any difficulties you may be struggling with within a relaxed, informal and spiritual setting. All are welcome. Please contact 07879951722 if you require more details or to arrange private one to one confidential support at all other times from the groups qualified bereavement counsellor/facilitator.

Children in Crossfire would like to thank all the parishioners who have already supported their Advent Appeal. If you still have your box/envelopes at home, please return them via the chapel next weekend, or follow the guidance to donate online.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend: Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland
Dates: 20 -22 March 2026 St Marys" Knock, Co. Mayo. Book Online:
www.marriageencounter.ie

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



Patrick Bell McGowan Park
Denis Martin Strangford Park (formerly Dawros Gdns)

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

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

Sianna Dream MGreenery, Bráydén Mark O'Kane,
Malachi Caolán Morrison



Last Week's Collection £1065 Parish Development £356

Standing Orders £132 Thank you for your continued support and generosity

The Priest collection will be taken up this week-end

Prayer for Vocations: The Baptism of Jesus reminds us of our own baptism and that each one of us is called to be holy and to fulfil our vocation in life. We pray that the men called to serve the diocese as priests will know that, like Jesus, they are beloved sons of the Father, and that they will find fulfilment in spreading the Good News of God's love for everyone. The 7:30pm Mass at St Columb's Church, Waterside, Derry, on Tuesday 13 January, will be followed by a Holy Hour for Vocations, from 8-9pm. Anyone who cannot attend in person can join in the Prayers and Devotions via the parish webcam.

Lumen Christi College Open Evening – Tuesday 13th January 2026 Prospective pupils and their parents/carers are invited to visit Lumen Christi College for the annual Open Evening on **Tuesday 13th January 2026** between **4.00pm and 6.30pm**. Principal's Address: **4.00pm** in College Assembly Hall. Parents of current pupils will be available to share their experience with visitors. Details may be accessed on the College website- www.lumenchristicollege.co.uk

Thornhill College Open Day: Saturday 17th January 2026 10.00am–1.00pm Address by the Principal at 10.00am and 12.30pm For parents/guardians and prospective Year 8 students. Prospective Year 13 students are also welcome to come along and discuss A-level or Applied GCE courses. Visit our Website at: www.thornhillcollege.org.uk

JOB OPPORTUNITY - Derry Diocesan Trust: Administrative & Financial Officer - permanent post, 8 – 10 hours per week. Working for Swatragh Parish, the job is based in Kilrea Parochial House. Working Days - Wednesday & Friday. For application pack, tel 028 7126 2302 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 **12noon Monday 26 January 2026**.