

Parish of St. Mary CREGGAN

Spirit of wisdom and understanding, enlighten our minds to perceive the mysteries of the universe in relation to eternity. Spirit of right judgment and courage, guide us and make us firm in our baptismal decision to follow Jesus' way of love.

Spirit of knowledge and reverence, help us to see the lasting value of justice and mercy in our everyday dealings with one another. May we respect life as we work to solve problems of family and nation, economy and ecology.

Spirit of God, spark our faith, hope and love into new action each day. Fill our lives with wonder and awe in your presence which penetrates all creation. **Amen.**



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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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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1st February 2026

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



In today's Gospel, Jesus is fully aware that the people following him must be wondering what he is about. He is beginning to help them understand what repentance requires of them.

He shares with them the teaching that we now know as the Beatitudes. He is asking his followers to be "poor in spirit," to have compassion and mourn for others, to recognize the needs of the poor, to be merciful, to be a peacemaker and to stand against the evil of the world.

These are the ways to live in the Kingdom of God. These are also the ways we need to continue to live in today's world. As we approached the beginning of Lent this month, perhaps we might consider how we can seek to live these Beatitudes that Jesus is teaching us.

Confirmation: We congratulate the P7 children from St John's PS who were confirmed on Friday. May the Holy Spirit guide, protect and enlighten them in the years ahead. The P7 children of Holy Child PS will be confirmed on Friday 6th February.



2026 Parish Draw: The sale of tickets for the new Parish Draw has now closed and the first draw will take place after the Vigil Mass on Saturday 31st January. A sincere thanks to everyone who has purchased a ticket either by cash or standing order.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Derry Diocesan Trust - Ardmore Parish: Sacristan – St Mary's Church, Ardmore, Derry. Part-time – 16 hours per week. The Sacristan will ensure effective security of the church and associated maintenance and cleaning whilst organising all associated liturgical requirements in line with diocesan guidelines. For application packs please telephone 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 12 noon on Monday 9th February 2026.

DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION: St Anthony's Retreat Centre, Dundrean, Burnfoot, Co Donegal, on **Sunday 1 February**, Feast of St Brigid, starting at 11.00am. A light lunch will be provided and the day will finish with the Celebration of the Eucharist. To book, telephone St Anthony's on 0035374 936 8074. Suggested donation €25.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: The Iosas Centre, Derryvane, Muff, Co Donegal, is seeking to employ a Programme Coordinator to organise and facilitate groups. If you think this job is suited to you, you are asked to send your details to info@sanctuarydonegal.com

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



Michelle Kennedy-Devine
Sally McCallion
Ann Colby
Pamela Jane Cartin

Hatmore Park
Juniper park
Circular Road
England (former Carnhill)

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

Recent Baptisms: *We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism*
Oisín Joseph Doyle and Isla Vonnie McArthur



Last Week's Collection £1651 Parish Development £592

The Priest collection will be taken up this week-end

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

DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES takes place from Monday 29 June to Friday 3 July. The Lourdes Office in the Pastoral Centre in Bishop Street, Derry, is now open Thursdays and Saturdays from 11am to 1pm. Tel 028 71260293 or email derrypilgrim@outlook.com for more information. All applications welcome. We are also appealing to those who could volunteer to join our Medical Team as a Nurse or Carer to please contact the office, as soon as possible. Thank you.

The Lourdes Hospitalite collection, which helps those who wish to go to Lourdes and require care and assistance, is due to take place at weekend Masses on the 7th/8th of February 2026. As in previous years, we appeal to your generosity for this worthwhile cause as we continue to provide the opportunity for people who need assistance, to travel to Lourdes

A Divine Mercy Day retreat will be led by Fr O'Driscoll in the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, Derry, on Saturday 7 February from 10.00am- 4:30pm. Light lunch will be provided, and a donation will be welcome on the day. If you wish to attend please call 028 7126 2512.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group, Holy Family Chapel, Ballymagroarty will be celebrating their 20th year anniversary on **Tuesday 3rd February 2026**. We will begin at 6.45pm with the rosary, followed by holy mass, then the priest will bless everyone with a first class relic of St. Pio.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes flying from Derry 3rd July - 8th £935 Contact Siobhan 07871656780

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