

Parish of St. Mary CREGGAN



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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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

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Fr. Ignacy Saniuta CC

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 10 am - 1 pm

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17th May 2026

The Ascension of the Lord



Today's readings describe the Ascension of the Lord Jesus to his Heavenly glory after promising to send the Apostles the Holy Spirit as the source of Heavenly power and commanding them to bear witness to Him through their lives and preaching throughout the world. But the ascended Jesus is still with us because of His promise, "I am with you always; yes, to the end of time." He is with us at all times and in all places, releasing a new energy upon the earth, the energy of the Holy Spirit.

On this Feast of the Ascension, as we turn our gaze toward heaven, where Christ has ascended and sits at the right hand of the Father, we ask the Holy Spirit to strengthen our steps on earth so as to continue our journey — our mission of witnessing to and living the Gospel — with enthusiasm and courage. Let us ask the Virgin Mary to help us contemplate the heavenly benefits that the Lord promises us, and to become ever more credible witnesses to his Resurrection.

First Holy Communion: We congratulate the P4 children from Holy Child PS who received their First Holy Communion on Friday 15th May. May God's presence continue in their lives in the years ahead.

DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE will take place on **Saturday 6 June 2026**. Fr Daniel will be attending the pilgrimage, if you would like to join him, please contact Karen in the parish office at St Eugene's on 027 7126 2894 or by email at cathedral@derrydiocese.org.



A **Marian Evening of Prayer** will be here, in **St Mary's Church, Creggan**, on **Wednesday, 27th May**. The night will begin at **7:00pm** with a rosary procession (outdoors, weather permitting), followed by a short talk on Our Lady and the Eucharist, Adoration, and Benediction. Music will be provided by the Diocesan Youth music group, with refreshments following in the community room. All ages welcome! Contact Bethany at bethany.doherty@derrydiocese.org for more details.

Prayer for Vocations: On Ascension Sunday we celebrate World Communications Day. We pray for those who will be called as priests to preach the Gospel, to communicate the Good News of God's love as God reveals it to us in His Word and in the person of Jesus Christ.

DEEDS - Supporting The Carer Series: The third talk in our supporting the carer series focuses on how to get a social worker, accessing care and support available for carers. This is a great opportunity! For more information, contact Eilish on 02871 373870 or eilish@olt.ie

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



Laurence Lynch	Dunmore Gardens
Christopher Mulcahy	Rosnagalliagh Park
David MacFarland	Burt, County Donegal
Mary Mellon	(Fr Gerry's sister) Windridge Drive
Nicholas Gallacher	Rosnagalliagh
Thomas Gormley	Creggan Heights

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God



Recent Baptisms: We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism Rúibi Ria McGahey, Lennon James Peter McGinley and Elliot Jack Malone

Last Week's Collection: £2022 Parish Development £547
Standing Orders £150 Thank you for your continued support and generosity
The Annual Diocesan collection will be taken up at all Masses this week-end.

Fr Daniel will be the spiritual director on the Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 3rd until 8th July, 2026. Flights from Derry and full board £899. Contact Maria at 02881648357 or WhatsApp 07768 395038 for further details.

The Columban Young Adults is a new group for those aged 18 - 30 in the diocese, who are seeking a community of like-minded young adults who have Christ at the centre of their lives. The next event will be a talk and meditation on Marian Devotion on Thursday **21 May, 7:00pm** at our Lady of Lourdes Church, Steelstown, delivered by Fr Declan McGeehan. The meditation will be followed by Solemn Benediction and finish with light refreshments.

Lough Derg will host their Day of Friendship and Prayer this Wednesday, 20 May. Archbishop Eamon Martin and Archbishop John McDowell will join Fr La Flynn, Prior of Lough Derg, for a day of spirituality, friendship and reflection. Admission fee of €25 includes boat fare, refreshments and lunch. Advance booking is essential. www.loughderg.org info@loughderg.org tel. 0(0353) 71 9861518.

JOB Vacancies: - Caretaker, St Joseph's Hall, Omagh: 20 Hours Per Week. Closing date, 12.00 noon on Friday 29 May 2026.

Parish of Coleraine: Grounds & Maintenance Person. Full Time - 37 ½ hours per week. Closing date, 12 noon Monday 1st June 2026.

Parish of Urney & Castlefin, Temporary Administrative & Financial Officer 15 Hours per week for 6 months. Closing date, 12noon Wednesday 27 May 2026. 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