

The Angelus - prayed at 12 noon and 6pm

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary....

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
Be it done to me according to thy word.

Hail Mary. . .

And the Word was made flesh. (genuflect)
And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary. . .

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises
of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech
Thee, O Lord,
Thy grace into our hearts,
That we to whom the Incarnation
of Christ Thy Son
was made known by the message of an angel,
may by His Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of His resurrection.
Through the same Christ Our Lord.

Amen



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

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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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Today's Gospel underlines the patience of God. Extending the parable of the sower, which we heard last Sunday, Jesus tells his disciples that when the good seed begins to sprout, weeds (darnel) appear among the wheat, much to the consternation of the servants who would like to root them out immediately. However, the wise farm owner asks them to be patient, and to wait until harvest time. He points out that, if they try to remove the weeds now, they *'might pull up the wheat with it'*. So he tells them to let both grow together till the harvest. Then, the reapers can collect the weeds and burn them before gathering the wheat into the barn.

The good news is that we have a master gardener (God) who assures us that all will be sorted out in the end. God's kingdom grows slowly but surely, as the parables of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast in the cake illustrate. This assurance should free us from a dangerous preoccupation with getting rid of the weeds in God's garden, and lead us to focus instead on sowing seeds of the kingdom.

Appointment of the New Bishop of Derry

We warmly welcome the announcement that **Pope Leo XIV** has appointed **Bishop Michael Router** as the new Bishop of Derry. Details of Bishop Router's installation will follow. We also express our sincere gratitude to **Bishop Donal McKeown** for his faithful leadership of the Diocese over the past twelve years. We thank him for his dedicated service and wish him every blessing, good health, and happiness in his retirement. Please keep both Bishop Michael and Bishop Donal in your prayers.

St Mary's Bible Study Group in the Divine Mercy Chapel from **4-5pm** each Wednesday. (please note the change of time) Everyone welcome.

DIOCESE OF DERRY LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE: The Diocese of Derry Three-Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg will take place from Friday **24 July to Sunday 26 July**. A bus will travel from St Eugene's Cathedral, via Strabane and Lifford. Cost: £95 / €110 including bus transport. Booking form and full details available at: derrydiocese/lough-derg

Prayer for Vocations: That those called to priesthood will be the virtuous men of the first reading, kindly to their brothers and sisters, reflecting the lenient justice of God in their words and actions as they offer hope to God's people.

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



Margaret Deehan Fern Park (formerly Eastway Gdns)

May her soul experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

Last Week's Collection : £1627 Parish Development £556
Standing Orders £150 Thank you for your continued support and generosity

"Youth 2000 Summer Festival | 13th–16th August Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome. To register or find out more, visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland."

RACHEL'S VINEYARD: Have you been hurt by abortion? Tel Michelle 07871765181

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS: Is gambling affecting your life? We would like to help. Pick up the phone and ring 028 7135 1329.

Al Anon: Contact the confidential helpline on 0800 0086 811 or email helpline@al-anonuk.org.uk. Alternatively, tel 028 9068 2368

ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY COURSE is launching in All Saints Church, Newtowncunningham, Co. Donegal in September. This course draws from the richness of our Catholic heritage as we seek to teach, equip, and activate disciples to demonstrate the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit in their spheres of influence. If you would like to know more, we are hosting a **ZOOM Q&A SESSION on Thursday 6th August** from 8- 9pm. If you wish to attend this session, please email donegal@encounterschool.org. You can also get more information on the course at www.encounterschool.org

Accord Derry Marriage Preparation Workshops September 25th/26th November 20th/21st 2026. Book online at www.accordni.com

PRIVACY NOTICE The Diocese of Derry complies with GDPR regulations. A privacy notice is available on the Parish Website Live stream and recordings of Mass and Services in St Mary's Church are available on line. Parishioners should note that the first 2 rows of seats are visible on line.