



Parish of St. Mary CREGGAN



Dear Jesus,
When the storms of life feel too big and the waves splash
all around me, I will not be scared.
Just like you reached out your hand to save Peter when he sank,
I know you will always catch me too.
Help me keep my eyes on you instead of my worries.
Thank you for always loving me and keeping me safe. **Amen.**

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

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

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9th August 2026 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Each of us in our own daily lives experience pain and difficulties . We might call these experiences 'stormy moments'. They are part of our daily lives and there is no way of ignoring or avoiding them. The question we need to ask ourselves is whether we feel that we are on our own in the storm or whether we feel that Jesus is with us.

It's never easy, at any time, to keep faith but to hold on to it in stormy times, as many people are going through at present is particularly difficult. Today's reading encourage us not to lose heart, or give in, but to trust in the Lord who is with us even when we are unaware of his presence.

When we are struggling and experiencing difficulties, we are asked to do what Peter; we are to ask for help. We can't manage on our own. Can we make Peter's prayer '*Lord, save me?*' our own. No matter what we are experiencing, Jesus is with us. He will never abandon us. He has promised to be with us until the end of time, and He will.

Feast of the Assumption: Saturday 15th August 2026

Mass time: Vigil Mass Friday at 7.30pm

Saturday at 10am



The commemoration of the death of the Blessed Virgin Mary (the Dormition, or falling asleep as it was known in the East) is known as the Assumption because of the tradition that her body did not decay but that she was raised up, body and soul, into Heaven. This tradition was already present in the sixth century; by the beginning of the twentieth century it was widespread; and after consulting the views of the bishops all over the world the Pope formally and infallibly declared the doctrine of the Assumption to be part of the authentic and ancient doctrine of the universal Church.

*The collection taken up on the Feast of the Assumption
is for ongoing faith formation in the Parish*

Prayer for Vocations: For our seminarians and the men considering priesthood that, in moments of doubt, they'll hear Jesus say what He says to the disciples in today's gospel, "Courage! It is I. Do not be afraid!"

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



Joe Higgins

Iniscarn Road

May his soul experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

Recent Baptisms: We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism

Addison Rose McBride, Áiria-Grace Walker, Conan John Ward

Isla-Rose Jenny O'Connor and Sally Marie Smith



Last Week's Collection : £1596 Parish Development £686

Standing Orders £150 Thank you for your continued support and generosity

JOB OPPORTUNITY, DERRY DIOCESAN TRUST: Administrative & Financial Officer (18 hours per week), Waterside Parish, Parochial House, 32 Chapel Road, Derry. Rate of pay: £12.88 per hr - £13.50 per hr. For application packs please email: recruitment@derrydiocese.org or tel 028 7126 2302. 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 Monday 24 August 2026. *Derry Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer. We welcome applications from all men and women and from members of all communities.*

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND: Marriage Encounter Ireland invites married couples to a residential Weekend from **Friday 2 to Sunday 4 October 2026** at the Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Step away from daily distractions to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage. Visit www.marriageencounter.ie

Mary's Meals – Step by Step Walk Mary's Meals is currently feeding over 3 million children a daily school meal across 16 countries. Our Annual Step by Step to Feed the Next Child 2 Bridges walk (Foyle and Peace Bridges Derry) takes place on **Sunday 9th** of August. Starting Point is at Sainsbury's Car Park, Strand Road at 12 noon. All Welcome to participate even for a mile or two. For further details and to register online visit www.marysmeals.org.uk/step or contact Caoimhe on 07394564065.

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