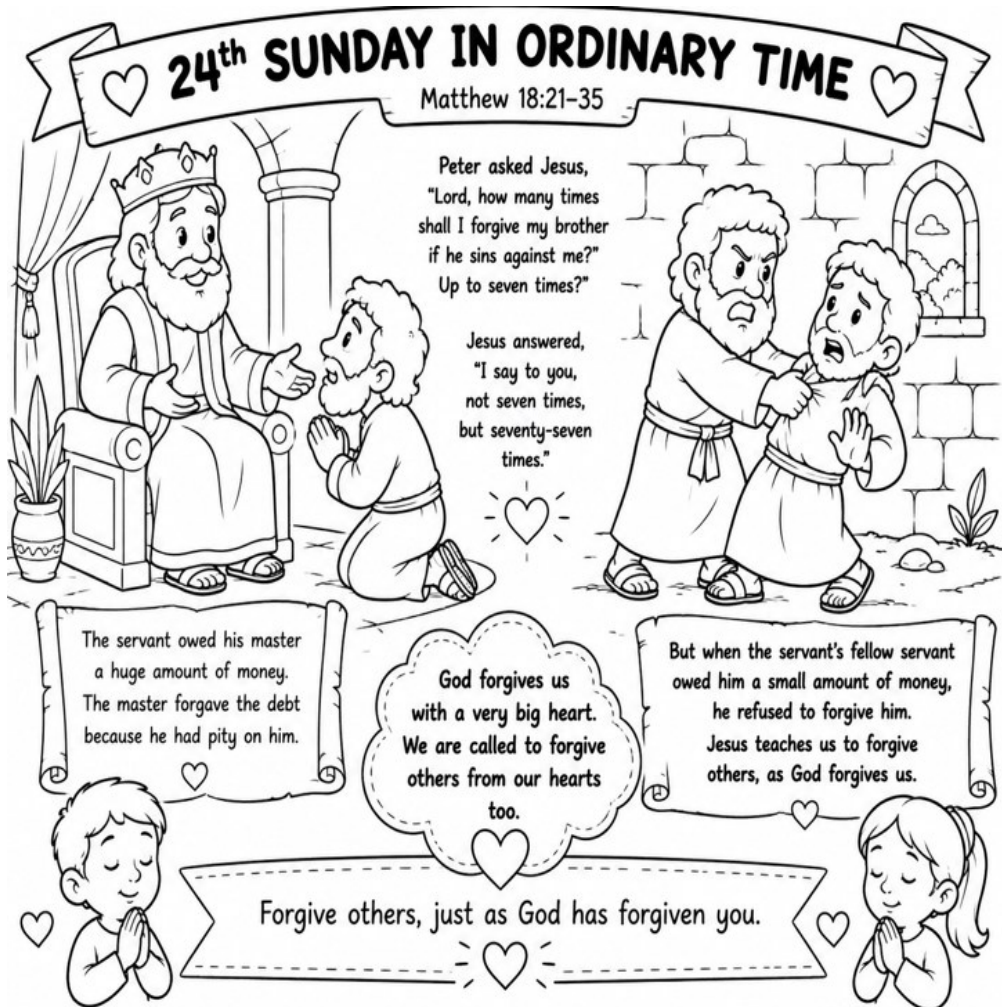




BAPTISMS Saturday at 5pm Contact the Parish Office 71263152 between 10am-12 noon Mon-Fri

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.cregganchapel.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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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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In today's Gospel, Peter asks Jesus how many times he should forgive someone who has hurt him. Peter suggests seven times, but Jesus responds, "Not seven times, but seventy-seven times." Jesus is teaching us that forgiveness should not have a limit. Jesus then tells the parable of the unforgiving servant. A servant owes his master a huge debt which he could never repay. The master takes pity on him and forgives the entire debt. However, when the servant meets someone who owes him a much smaller amount, he refuses to forgive him and demands payment.

Jesus uses this story to remind us how generously God forgives us. If God is willing to forgive our sins and show us mercy, we too are called to forgive others.

Forgiveness does not mean pretending that someone has not hurt us. It means choosing not to allow anger, resentment or bitterness to control our hearts. Sometimes forgiveness takes time and prayer, but Jesus calls us to keep working towards reconciliation. We have received God's mercy freely, and we are called to share that mercy with others. As we pray the words "forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us," may we ask God for the grace to forgive from the heart and to become people of peace and mercy.

Triduum of Masses for Bishop Michael Router: As the diocese and parishes prepare to celebrate the joyous occasion of the Installation of Bishop Michael Router as Bishop of Derry on **Sunday 20 September**, a Triduum of Masses will be celebrated in parishes throughout the diocese, on Friday 18, Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 September.

In our Parish these Masses will be celebrated on

Friday 18th September at 10am
Saturday 19th September at 10am
Sunday 20th September at 10.30am

All are welcome to attend as we come together as God's people to pray for Bishop Router and the people of the diocese, that we may walk together in faith and hope, guided by the Holy Spirit.

Prayer for Vocations: In today's gospel Jesus teaches a powerful lesson on forgiveness. We pray for the men called to priesthood that, as they celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with their people, they will help them to know and experience the Lord who "...is compassion and love, slow to anger, and rich in mercy." (Responsorial Psalm).

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



Ann Carlin

Benevenagh Gardens

May her soul experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

Recent Baptisms: *We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism*
Anna & Éirinn Clifford, Éala Josie Rosa Duffy
Conan Clifford-Doherty and Jasper Gerard O'Donnell



Last Week's Collection : £ 1565 56 Euro Parish Development £564
Standing Orders £150 Thank you for your continued support and generosity
Next week's collection will be for the Retired Priest Fund

St Mary's Bible Study Group in the Divine Mercy Chapel from **6-7pm** each Wednesday. *(please note the change of time)* Everyone welcome.

The Columban Young Adults are 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. Our September event will be a Holy Hour and meditation on Thursday **17 September**, 7:00pm at our Lady of Lourdes Church, Steelstown, Derry, delivered by Fr Declan McGeehan. The meditation will be followed by Solemn Benediction and light refreshments. We are actively seeking new members- please come along and bring a friend!

Northlands Annual Coffee Morning Saturday **19th September** Shantallow Community Centre Drop in anytime between 10am -1pm for some tea & coffee, cakes (gluten free available), community and conversations. This is a great way to celebrate recovery, positive change and community. This is a family friendly event, and everyone is welcome.

Abide Women's Conference, November 20-22, the Great Northern Hotel Bundoran, Co. Donegal. Speakers include: Sarah Swafford, Fr Barry Braum, Fr Mark Wharton, Kimberlee WooLing, Danielle Noonan, Nashville Dominicans & more, Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin, from Cork & Ross Diocese. We would love to welcome you this weekend. For more details please visit Abide in His Love at eventbrite.ieRegistration link: <https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com>

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Derry Diocese is renewing and developing its Diocesan Adoration Lay Committee in order to increase the practice of Eucharistic Adoration in parishes throughout the diocese. You are welcome to attend an Information Meeting on Wed 30 Sept, 8.00pm, in The Drummond Hotel, 2 Main St., Ballykelly, BT49 9HP. Registration and light refreshments from 7.30pm.