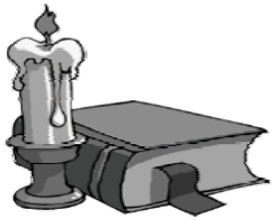
The Wedding Banquet

So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. Matthew 22:10

Based on Matthew 22:1-14 (NIV)



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PARABLES	STREET	INVITED	BANQUET
GUESTS	HEAVEN	KINGDOM	CORNERS
SERVANTS	CATTLE	COME	OXEN
FILLED	REFUSED	WEDDING	DINNER

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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.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.

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Parish of St. Mary
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Sunday Mass

Vigil *(Saturday)*	6.30 pm
	10.30 am
	12.15 pm
Polish Mass	**3.00 pm (every 2nd & 4th Sunday)**

Sacrament of Confession

Monday - Friday	5.00 pm - 5.30 pm
Saturday -	10.30 am
	5.30 pm - 6.20 pm

Holy Day Mass as announced

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

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11th October 2026 **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



In today's Gospel, Jesus compares the Kingdom of Heaven to a wedding feast. The king invites many people, but some refuse the invitation because they are too busy with their own affairs. Others are then invited, and the banquet hall is filled.

This reminds us that God invites each of us to share in His love and joy. Sometimes we can become so busy with work, family and everyday life that we forget to make time for God.

The Gospel encourages us to accept God's invitation with an open heart and to allow our faith to change the way we live. We are called to come to the Lord with humility, gratitude and love, ready to share His goodness with others.

Am I making enough time for God in my life? May we never be too busy to accept His invitation and enjoy the gifts of His love.

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2027 Parish Draw

We will be launching the Draw for 2027 on the **1st November** this year and we pray that it will be as successful as the past 3 years.

This year we are asking for promotors to sell the tickets over the coming weeks.
If you would like to help in this way please call at the Parish office or call at the Sacristy after any week-end Mass to collect the tickets. **Starting from 1st November onwards.**

Tickets will be available to buy in the Sacristy after week-end Masses and at the Parish Office during office hours at a cost of £120 cash or by standing order, £10 per month.
All current Standing Orders will expire at the end of December so you will need to complete a new standing order form for 2027.

First prize £1000, 2nd prize £500 and 3rd prize £250. This would make an ideal Christmas present and at the same time you will be supporting the on-going maintenance and upkeep of our Church.

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Congratulations: We warmly congratulate **Holy Child Primary School on celebrating its 70th anniversary!** We give thanks for the many generations of children, teachers and families who have been part of the school's wonderful journey. May God continue to bless the school community, guiding its pupils and staff in faith, learning and friendship for many years to come.

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

James (Sonsie) McGlinchey Westway

May his soul experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

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Recent Baptisms: *We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism*
Ruby McDonnell, Alba Caoimhe Concannon and
Lochlann Gareth McCafferty



Last Week's Priest Collection : £1997 Euro 27 Parish Development £668
Standing Orders £150 . Thank you for your continued support and generosity
Next weeks' collection will be taken up for the **Foreign Missions**
Bank details for online donations - Account Name: St Mary's Church
Sort Code 90-49-74 Account No. 28301067

Prayer for Vocations: We pray that the men called to be priests of our diocese will know the truth of St Paul's words in our second reading, "There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength."

SYCAMORE: First session this **Wednesday 14th October 2026** in the Parochial House conference room. 6pm - 7pm. No prior knowledge needed. Light refreshments provided. All are welcome to join at any point.

Right to Life: This Friday is the feast day of St Gerard Majella, the patron saint of unborn children and expectant mothers. We pray for all who work in maternity units with pregnant women, that they may recognise that God is truly with us in each unborn child.

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 October event will be a Holy Hour and meditation next Thursday **15th October,** 7:00pm at our Lady of Lourdes Church, Steelstown, 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!

Derry Diocesan Young Adult Community: Derry Youth Ministry invites everyone aged 18–35 to join their new community every Tuesday evening at 7:30pm, starting 20 October, at Claudy Pastoral Centre. Everyone is welcome to come along! For more details, please contact yvonne.rooney@derrydiocese.org

Rise & Shine Group: Do you know a young person who would benefit from a week of friendship, fun, faith and unforgettable memories in Lourdes? Rise & Shine Trust brings children (11+) and young adults with additional needs on a week-long pilgrimage holiday to Lourdes each Easter. The trip is free for our guests as our volunteers fundraise for it. For more information, and to apply, please see www.riseandshine.ie.