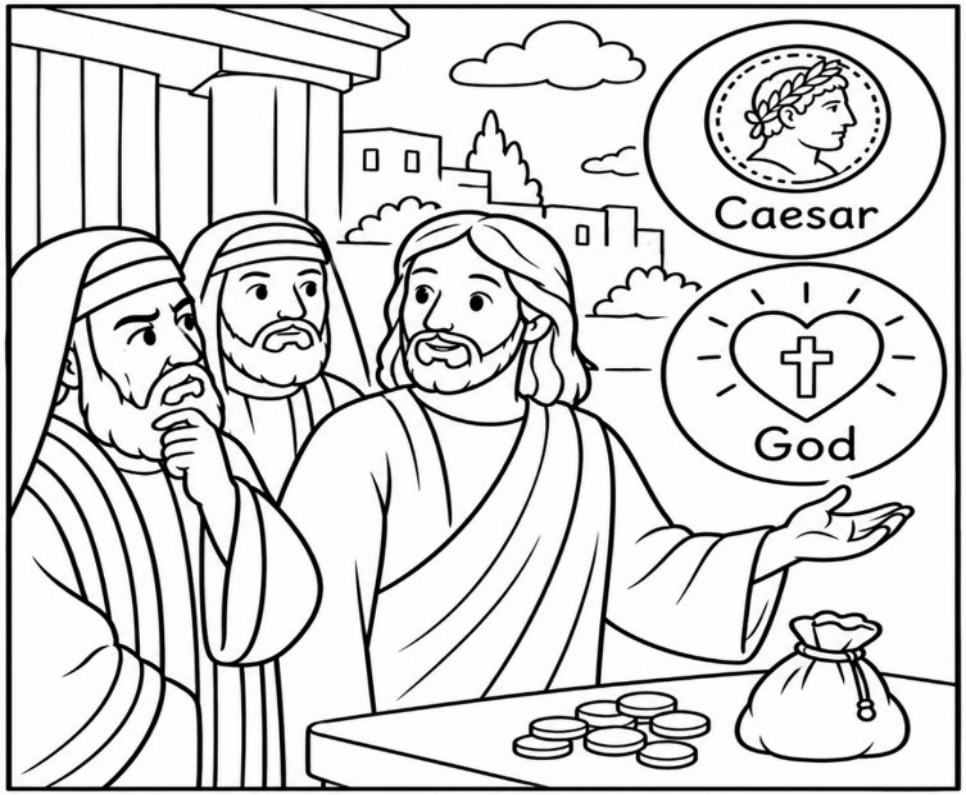

Dear Jesus,
Help us to remember that everything we have is a gift from God.
Help us to share our time, our talents and our love with others.
May we always give to God what belongs to Him**. Amen.**

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.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	**3.00 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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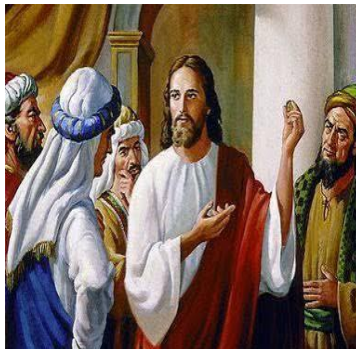
18th October 2026 **29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In today's Gospel, the Pharisees try to trap Jesus by asking whether it is right to pay taxes to Caesar. Jesus responds wisely: "Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar—and to God what belongs to God. Jesus reminds us that while we have responsibilities in our daily lives, our first and deepest responsibility is to God. Everything we have ultimately comes from Him—our lives, our families, our talents, our opportunities and our faith. It is easy to become caught up in work, money, possessions and the many demands of everyday life. This Gospel encourages us to step back and remember what is truly important.



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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.

October Parish Draw – will take place next **Saturday 24th October** in the Parochial House Conference Room immediately after the Vigil Mass.

SYCAMORE: twice a month every 2nd and 4th Wednesday, Next meeting Wednesday **28th October** 6:00–7:00pm, in the Parochial House Conference Room. No prior knowledge needed. Light refreshments provided. All are welcome to join at any point.

Prayer for Vocations: St Paul could have written this passage from today's Second Reading to our seminarians and to the men discerning their vocation: "We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction."

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

Margaret McGilloway	Formerly Broadway
Denise Traynor	Iniscarn Road
Kathleen Harkin	Linsfort Drive
Jeanette Clarke	Dunmore Gdns
Marian Lynch	Brookdale Pk (formerly Dunmore Gdns)

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

Recent Baptisms: *We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism*
Eabha Grace Devine and Ruadh Wren Devine



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Last Week's Collection : £1722 €41 Parish Development £612
Standing Orders £150 . Thank you for your continued support and generosity.
Today's collection will be taken up for the **Foreign Missions**

Bank details for online donations - Account Name: St Mary's Church No 1 A/C
Sort Code 90-49-74 Account No. 28301067

Right to Life: This Thursday, we will celebrate the feast day of Pope St John Paul II, patron saint of the Pro-Life movement. We ask for his intercession as we the church seek to support all the vulnerable, especially those at the end of their lives, and that, like him, we would become models of support and charity to all in society.

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. Each week features a varied programme including invited speakers, scripture, prayer, food, and fellowship, alongside organised social events. Everyone is welcome to come along! For more details, please contact yvonne.rooney@derrydiocese.org.

Rise & Shine Trust: 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.

Lumen Christi College 30th anniversary Gala event in the Everglades Hotel, **Friday 23rd October**: Night at the Races, meal and dancing! Tickets available from the college reception. All welcome

Thornhill Ministries will lead an introduction to the practice of praying Scripture in a reflective way that will help participants let the Word of God to nestle in the quiet corner of the heart. '*Open heart - Open to the Word*' series of 4 Sundays in October 3:30 - 4:30 pm Emmaus Room, Pennyburn Church. All welcome