

8th JANUARY 2023 – THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



PARISH OF ANTRIM
St Comgall, St Joseph, St MacNissius

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SUNDAY MASSES

St. Comgall's 9.00am 11.00am
St. Joseph's 5.30pm (Sat vigil) 12.00noon
St. MacNissius 10.00am

Weekday Mass

St. Comgall's: Monday, Wed, Friday & Sat 10.00am
St. Joseph's: Tues & Thurs 10am Fri 7pm

Mass is celebrated every Mon – Sat morning in the parish at 10am and on Sat @ 5.30pm, Sunday at 9am 11am & 12noon. Available to view on the Parish facebook page and youtube: Parish of Antrim

Confessions

St. Comgall's – Sat 12 - 12.30pm
St. Joseph's—Sat 4.45 –5.15pm

Feasts: Fri 13th St Hilary – Bishop & Doctor

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, we pray for a deeper understanding of the meaning of our Baptism. Help us to appreciate the dignity conferred on us through the sacrament. Give us the grace to live up to it with joy and generosity so that we may continue your mission of love on earth.

Thought for the Week

“May you always experience the joy that comes from putting Christ at the centre of your lives”

Pope Emeritus Benedict XIV

PRAYER PEOPLE

Intention for Parish Community Year 11
Week 6

We pray for all parishioners that they will live as baptised people.

Offertory Collection: £2,989.00
Thank you to all who contributed

We pray for: Recently Deceased: Marie Laverty

1st Anniv: Ethna Archer

Anniversaries: Anne & Pat Bradley, Sean Taggart, Marty McLaughlin, Annie Corr Rosaline Beedim, Mary Elizabeth Bean, June Duffin, Barney McGovern, Jeff & Jean Burton, The O'Connor Family, Marie Carbery, Sarah McLaughlin, May Close, Madeline Wilson, Jane O'Hara, Peter McCaherty, James Taggart, Michael Skelton, Mary Marley, Jim Patton, Kathleen Moore, Eileen Lagan, Betty Duffin

Confirmation: There will be a meeting with parents of children making their Confirmation in St. Joseph's Hall on Thursday 12th January @ 6.30pm

Beginning Experience: The loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce is devastating. Beginning Experience is offering a programme of bereavement support in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Belfast on three Saturdays (January 21st; February 18th and March 18th 2023) Booking essential. Residential weekend in Drumalis, Larne, 10/12th March. To find out more, contact Phil: [02890 207645](tel:02890207645) or Marie [07896119669](tel:07896119669) or email belfastbe@yahoo.com

Living Church – Faith Development Conference

The Living Church Office is hosting a Faith Development Conference in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Shaw's Bridge, Belfast, on Saturday 28th January 2023. This course will equip you with the skills and resources to lead faith development programmes in your parish, with your prayer group or organisation. Five excellent Programmes are being showcased and there will be an opportunity to meet with the developers and presenters of the programmes in taster sessions that they will run.

Our keynote speaker will be Mr David Wells. David is an international speaker and author and has worked with Dioceses internationally encouraging and inspiring people to be leaders and sharing the Joy of the Gospel in their local parish communities.

Each delegate will receive lunch and will take home resources to support the delivery of five programmes that can be delivered in the Parish. For more information, or to book online, go to: www.livingchurchevents.com. Or to request an application form, contact Claire at the Living Church Office, 02890690920 or livingchurch@downandconnor.org

NI CANCER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES. Sun 28 May to Fri 2 June 2023

The price of £799 (with price reduction for Cancer Patients) will include:

Return flights from Belfast International Airport, operated by Northern Star Travel Ltd. Full board and accommodation at the Hotel Agena in Lourdes for five nights based on twin/double/triple rooms.

The party will consist of patients, ex-patients, relatives and friends accompanied by medical, nursing and other staff. To enquire or to obtain a booking form please speak to a member of the committee on Tel. 07874688388 or email

mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk

Schools Admissions If you have a child due to start school in September 2023 – The online portal for P1/Nursery/Playgroup will open on Tuesday 10th January 2023. The closing date for applications is 12 noon Friday 27th January 2023. Please log on to www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions to apply.

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Priest: In the power of the Holy Spirit we bring our prayers to the Father in the name of the Son the Beloved

We pray that the Church may bear faithful witness to God's love for all by acts of service and compassion.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that God's Holy Spirit may guide and enlighten those who govern the world, bless the suffering poor and all who seek divine assistance.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that the desire for peace may grow in the hearts of all human beings and the world may be spared the horrors of war and bloodshed.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that the newly baptised in our parish community may grow in health, strength and wisdom to become true ambassadors for Christ.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that those who are sick and those suffering from addictions may be freed from their pain or dependence on harmful substances.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that Christ may grant to the souls of our brothers and sisters, friends and benefactors the reward of their labours and good deeds

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All those named in the bulletin

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Priest: May our prayers come into your presence O Lord that we may grow in faith, hope and love in the image of your Son, the Beloved, Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen