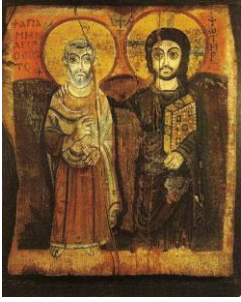
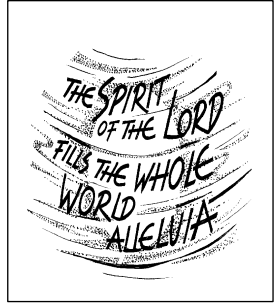


28<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023 – PENTECOST SUNDAY



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 10am 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 Mon 29th Blessed Virgin Mary - Mother of the Church, Wed 31<sup>st</sup> Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Kevin - Abbot

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*O God, you have sent your Holy Spirit to our broken world. Help us to be open to the grace of your coming that you may create us anew. Breathe the breath of your Spirit on us that we may live the Good News in our hearts and lives and become bearers of the Gospel.*

**Thought for the Week**

*Pope Francis calls us to develop a loving awareness of this home we share and to act on the values we hold dear.*

*Laudatio Si Week is an opportunity to celebrate the beauty, diversity and interconnectedness of all of creation as well as the care of creation initiatives that offer hope for the future of our Common Home*

**PRAYER PEOPLE**

**Intention for Parish Community Year 11**  
**Week 27**

*God of Love, You are with us in every transition and change. As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another.*

Offertory Collection: £3,098.00  
*Thank you to all who contributed.*

**Recently Deceased:** Jimmy Campbell, Dean McGreevey, Jim McAlorum,

**Month's Mind:** Joseph Campbell

**Anniversaries:** Patsy McGleenon, Frank McLaughlin, Michael Glancey, Owen & Mary Connolly, Sean, Mary & Brendan Byrne, Siobhan & Kieran McCloskey, Mary Emily Johnston, John McGonigle, John Coyle, Jim & Nora McBride, Teresa McStocker, Johnny Wilson, Noel Quigg, Mary Magee, Francis & Elizabeth Graffin

**Apostolic Society:** Will hold their Annual Church Door Collection after all masses next weekend 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> June. Please be assured that all benefactors are prayed for daily by Apostolic members.

**The Parish Office will be closed on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

**PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE**

This weekend we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came down upon the apostles. In an instant a group of frightened disciples were empowered to go out and proclaim God's amazing dream for the world - the Good News of Jesus Christ!

When we read about Pentecost and the birth of the Church in the Acts of the Apostles, we find inspiration for where we are as a Church here in Ireland today. We know that we have come to a fork in the road. We can't keep going the way we were, we have to head out on a new pathway.

In Down & Connor the Pathways to the Future project is charting the next steps on this journey. We have to be realistic - change is inevitable. There will be new ways of working in our parishes and communities. But this isn't something to be afraid of. God still has a dream for our Church. He wants us to be filled with the Spirit and willing to go out and share the Gospel with others. He wants us to be generous, loving and inclusive, welcoming everyone into his family. And he wants us to be confident that each of us - lay women and men, clergy and religious - has a part to play in renewing our parishes, the diocese and building up the Kingdom of God.

**Bishop Donal McKeown's Pastoral Letter** - Be part of God's amazing dream!

Copies of the Pastoral Letter are available on the website and Facebook Page. Some hard copies are available in the Churches. Please take this opportunity to read it.

***TROCAIRE LENTEN APPEAL raised £13,228.00.***

***Congratulations and thank you to all who contributed to this important collection.***

**LIVING CHURCH OFFICE VACANCY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR**

An exciting opportunity has arisen within our Living Church Office, where we seek to recruit into the role of Assistant Director. The role will attract someone who will work to make the vision and hope for our Diocese an ever-stronger reality, in everything the Living Church does. Supporting the Director of the Living Church and working as part of a team to implement Diocesan Initiatives in youth ministry, peace and reconciliation, evangelisation, and faith development.

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at:

<http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: job vacancies and on the Community NI and nijobs.com websites within the Diocese of Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 8th June 2023 Down and Connor Diocesan Trust is an Equal Opportunities Employer

**28<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023**  
**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**Priest:** As we rejoice in the gifts of the Holy Spirit let our prayers come before the Father with praise and gratitude.

We pray for the Church throughout the world that the Holy Spirit may end divisions between Christians and unite us in prayer and works of love.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for those that lead and govern that the Holy Spirit may enlighten their minds and grant them the wisdom in serving God's people.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for the earth, the common home which we all share. May each of us undertake our responsibility to care for and steward the earth ensuring that the earth's resources are used sustainably for the good of all.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for our diocese, that filled with the Holy Spirit we will have the courage to set out on the pathway that God wants us to follow.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for those sitting or preparing for examinations that the Holy Spirit may guide their efforts and renew their hope.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for all who are sick or in distress that the Holy Spirit may heal and comfort them and restore their lives.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for our deceased loved ones and all the faithful departed may be granted eternal life and peace according to the Lord's promise

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**All those named in the bulletin**

*Let us pray to the Lord*

**Priest:** Loving God fill us with the gifts of the Holy Spirit that we may praise your merciful love to the ends of the earth. We make these and all our prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen