#### 24th SEPTEMBER 2023 – 25th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - Day of Prayer for Migrants & Refugees



## 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: Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sts. Cosmas & Damian – Martyrs, Wed 27<sup>th</sup> St Vincent de Paul, Fri 29th Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael – Archangels, Sat 30th St Jerome – Priest & Doctor

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Loving God, your unconditional love blesses us lavishly and abundantly. May our hearts be open to receive from you with gratitude and joy all that you have planned for us. May we always be willing and ready to share your blessings with others.

# Thought for the Week

If the world takes something from you on the one hand, God will give you something on the other."

St Vincent de Paul

#### PRAYER PEOPLE

Intention for Parish Community Year 11
Week 44

We pray for the members of the St Vincent de Paul Conferences in our parish and ask God to bless them in their ministry to the poor and the needy.

Offertory Collection: £2,926.00 *Thank you to all who contributed.* 

**Recently Deceased:** Frank O'Hagan, Kathleen Wilson (Lisburn)

Month's Mind; Camillus Mooney

1<sup>st</sup> Anniv: Willie Winters

**Anniversaries:** Fr. Vincent Davey James Begley, Kay McCready, Enda McAuley Jnr., Rose Mairs, Maimie Neeson, Kathleen Moran, James McLaughlin, Maimie McMenamin,

Joseph Byrne, Thomas Guiney, Liam Clarke,

#### MINISTRY OF WELCOME.

The Parish Pastoral Council would like to introduce a "Welcome Ministry" to the Parish. It involves, at the door, welcoming people to mass especially visitors to the parish and answering any queries people may have such as toilet, wheelchair access and directions. If you are willing to serve the Parish in this way, please contact the Parish Office and leave your details and you will receive further information.

There are 2 Training Sessions on the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> October @ 7pm in St Comgall's Primary School

<u>Antrim Prayer Group</u> will meet on Wednesdays @ 7pm in Sr. Catherine's office (small office beside Parochial House). All welcome

<u>Parish Rosary and Night Prayer</u> - There will be no Rosary and Night Prayer this Tuesday (26th September). It will resume as normal on Tuesday 3rd October. All welcome to come along then!

The next **Youth 2000** Ulster retreat will be taking place in the beautiful and tranquil surroundings of Lough Derg, Co. Donegal between 29th of September to the 1st of October. This retreat is for anyone aged 16-35. Great CRAIC!!, Excellent Speakers, Inspiring Talks & Workshops, Fantastic music, Group activities, Youth Masses, Adoration, Reconciliation, prayer, Drama, Games & plenty of time to chill out, meet new people and find out what it means to be young & Catholic today!! The retreat is donation only however if you are staying over there is a cost £35/€40 which goes to Lough Derg. Register now on <a href="www.youth2000.ie">www.youth2000.ie</a>"

**Traditional Music Lessons** Antrim Town Comhaltas Branch has returned with its Tin Whistle and Fiddle lessons (beginners and improvers). Lessons for pupils (7yrs+) are at St Comgalls Youth Club, Antrim, Tuesday evenings from 26 Sept. at 7:00pm Pupils will learn all sorts of tunes, including jigs, reels, and marches. Contact John Hart on 07768835678 for any queries.

**Pathways** – **Adult Faith Development Programme** *Now in our 18^{th} Year*... Have you ever thought of taking time out, to reflect, to better understand your faith in all its richness, to explore how it might be integrated with your busy, daily life and to nurture in a focused way your relationship with God? If the answer is "yes", then Pathways may be for you. The course runs one Sat per month (10 am - 4 pm) from October to June, at Drumalis or online via Zoom.

Certificate in Christian Thought (Two-year, part-time course)

The Certificate in Christian Thought aims to offer a space where adults can explore, reflect upon, discuss and study faith and how it relates to life in today's world, both at a personal and community level. It is possible to do the course for validation by St Mary's University College or for personal development only. The course is offered at Drumalis, Larne or online via Zoom over seven Saturdays from September to May.

For further information or to register on either of these courses, contact Drumalis hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am -5 pm) -028 28276455/28272196 or email <a href="mailto:mailt

St. MacNissi's Randalstown **BINGO NIGHT** on Tuesday Oct 3rd at 8pm at the Parish Centre Entry for the **Great Randalstown Bake Off** competition is open! Awards will be given for 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place best homemade tray bake with judging and prizes being part of a Coffee Morning in St. MacNissi's Parish Centre from 11am Contestants pay £5.00 to enter and must be there to win their Bake Off apron and Bosch Cake Mixer! email Michael for a Entry Form: randalstownpc@downandconnor.org

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**Priest:** Let us bring our prayers before the Lord trusting not in our own good works, but in his mercy.

We pray for the Church throughout the world, especially where her members suffer persecution, that the Lord may watch over and protect them.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for migrants and refugees, that leaders and authorities may assist those in need and nations and communities may welcome those fleeing from war or oppression.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for farmers and those working on the land that they may do so in safety and rejoice in a bountiful harvest.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for ourselves, that we may avoid judging others especially in conversation and the area of social media. May we judge not that we may not be judged.

# Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for the sick and those suffering long-term illness, that they may know the Lord's closeness, be granted healing, and never lose heart.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for those who have died, that God may welcome into the light of his face all who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection.

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All those named in the bulletin

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**Priest:** Heavenly Father, in your great mercy hear our prayers and direct our hearts to accept and do your will in imitation of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen