#### 14th APRIL 2024 - 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER,



## 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:

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Jesus, risen from the dead, your gift of faithful love is the bread that nourishes us into eternal life, and the living water that quenches our thirst. Give us the wisdom to persevere in our love for you so that we may always choose life and so live in your love and fidelity.

# Thought for the Week

"If Christ were standing before me now, what would I feel, not about him, but about myself."

St Augustine

# PRAYER PEOPLE Intention for Parish Community Year 11 Week 20

We pray as a parish community for our new Bishop Alan McGuckian on Sunday that the Holy spirit will guide him in his responsibility as chief pastor in the Diocese. Offertory Collection: £4,008.00 *Thank you to all who contributed.* 

**Recently Deceased:** Veronica Wade, Jacqueline Allen, Bobby Clarke, Stephen Martin

Month's Mind: John Toner 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv: Bridie Coulter

**Anniversaries:** Fr. Felix McGuckin, John Hurrell, George Hodkinson, Peggy McCready, Lily Gillan, Brian Kennedy, Tony Kelly, Patrick McCartan, Peter Devlin Jnr., Catherine Smyth, Florence McAteer, Catherine Magee, Michael Cassidy, Hugh McCavana, Cathal O'Hare, Mary Campbell, Angelina Laverty, Anna Taggart, Bernard Sheridan, Philomena Campbell,

Bernadette Borelan, Gerard McNeill

The Most Reverend Alan McGuckian will be installed as Bishop of Down and Connor in St Peter's Cathedral, Belfast today. The Parish of Antrim wishes him well and every blessing in his ministry.

# **TROCAIRE LENTEN APPEAL 2024**

Returns for this appeal should be made as soon as possible. Remember to Gift Aid if you are paying income tax.

Parish Rosary and Night Prayer every Tuesday @ 8pm in St Joseph's Church. All welcome.

<u>PARISH ENVELOPES</u> – New parish envelopes have been prepared for the coming year. If you wish to have an envelope or a standing order form from 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 please contact the parish office. Envelopes will be available for collection in the church porches. If you are not able to find your envelopes, please contact the parish office.

# Eucharistic Healing Evening - Sunday 21st April 2024 - 6pm-8pm

We would like to invite you to our next healing night which will be held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February in St Joseph's Church. Beginning at 6pm - Adoration, Benediction, Confession and Prayer Ministry. All Welcome

### **Apostolic Bingo Tea**

The next Bingo Tea is on this Sunday 14 April at 8 pm in St Joseph's Hall. Books are £5 and everyone is welcome to come along for a good night's craic while helping to raise much needed funds for the Developing World.

<u>Diocesan Holy Hour for Vocations Sunday</u> in St. Peter's Cathedral 20<sup>th</sup> April. Vigil Mass @ 5.30pm for vocations followed by Holy Hour @ 6.30pm

#### **Fun Bowls**

Fun Bowls start Tuesday 9 April in St Joseph's Hall from 7.30- 9.30 pm. Cost £2 (inc light refreshments). All ages and abilities welcome. Equipment provided.

Antrim & Randalstown Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine Knock

11th/12th May 2024, Cost:- Sharing £150 Single Room £165. Includes Coach, B/breakfast & 2

Evening Meals. Contact Vera 07540134325 Catherine 028 94465021

#### **National Pilgrimage for Life**

The first *National Pilgrimage for Life*, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May in Knock Shrine. The pilgrimage begins with Anointing of the Sick in the Basilica at 2.30pm, followed by Mass at 3pm and Rosary Procession after Mass, weather permitting. Main celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Francis Duffy. We invite you to join us in Knock to celebrate the gift of life and to pray for the protection of all human life.

#### Mary's Meals - Crisis in Ethiopia

Mary's Meals provides school meals to over 2.4 million children every day. At this time, We ask you to remember in your prayers families facing extreme food insecurity and hunger in Ethiopia and we invite you to a special online session where our founder Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow will share more about this urgent under-reported crisis this Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> of April at 7pm, find out more at <a href="https://www.marysmeals.org.uk">www.marysmeals.org.uk</a> or email <a href="marysmeals.org">info@marysmeals.org</a>

# 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER 14<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024

**Priest:** We gather with Easter joy in our hearts and celebrate the good things God has done for us as we bring before him our prayers and petitions.

We pray that Christians everywhere may be free to celebrate their faith in the Risen Christ in peace and without fear of persecution.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that those in authority may use their power for the food of all and especially to protect the poorest and most vulnerable in society.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that farmers and those working upon the land may do so in safety and be blessed with a bountiful harvest.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that those receiving the sacraments of First Penance, Holy Communion and Confirmation may grow ever closer to the Lord and place his Gospel at the heart of their lives.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that the sick may be healed and those who care for them may be granted fortitude and patience in times of stress and suffering.

## Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that those who have died in the peace of Christ and all the dead whose faith is known to God alone may find a place at the heavenly banquet.

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All those named in the bulletin.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**Priest:** May the petitions of your Church be pleasing in your sight, O Lord that our prayers may be answered in your merciful love. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen