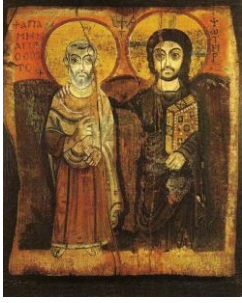


2nd February 2025 – The Presentation of the Lord



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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: Sat 1st St. Brigid, Abbess, Secondary Patron of Ireland, Mon 3rd St. Blasé, Bishop & Martyr

PRAYER OF THE DAY

St Brigid's Blessing

*May Brigid bless the house in which we dwell
Bless every fireside , every wall and door
Bless every heart that beats beneath its roof.
Bless every hand that toils to bring it joy.
Bless every foot that walks portals through.
May Brigid bless the house that shelters us.*

Thought for the Week

*“Come Holy Spirit,
bend what is rigid in me,
melt what is frozen.”*

Gregorian Chant

PRAYER PEOPLE

Intention for Parish Community Year 12
Week 11

We pray for all parishioners that they will grow in goodness and faith.

Offertory Collection: £3,905.00
*Thank you to all who contributed.
If you would like to set up a standing order please call or email the parish*

Recently Deceased: Jack Hanna (Eng)

Months Mind: Sean McGleenan, Jack McAloney

Anniversaries: Madge Magee, Gerard Hill, Arthur McShane, Seamus & Gerard Duffy, Harry Allen, Eddie Kelly, Rosetta Hart, Cathal O'Loan, Anne Donnelly, Peter McQuaid, John & Mary Dobbin, Edward & Margaret McBrien, Magaret McAleese

The Blessing of Throats will take place after masses on Monday, the feast of St. Blase.

1st Friday of the Month

There will be Adoration and Confessions in St. Joseph's on Friday 7th February 2025 from 6pm – 7pm. This will take place on every 1st Friday of the month.

We, The Parish Social Committee, would love you to join us in The Parish Hall, St Comgall's this Sunday, after 11am mass for an informal get together simply to enjoy a cup of tea/ coffee together and have a good old chit chat. This invitation is open to all parishioners and if you have a friend or neighbour who you think would enjoy please bring them along, we would love to see you all.

All Saints Antrim Collection. Many thanks to all those who contributed to the collection last weekend for All Saints Church in Antrim. The amount raised was £2,505. A magnificent effort by our parishioners.

The next Bingo Tea is on Sunday 9th February at 8 pm in St Joseph's Hall. Books are £5. Everyone is welcome to come along for a good night's craic while helping to raise much needed funds for missionary work in the Developing World.

Venerable Matt Talbot On Monday 3 February, the relics of the Venerable Matt Talbot will be received at St Peter's Cathedral at 5pm. Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm and the visit will conclude with Night Prayer at 10pm. All are welcome to join us at the Cathedral for this time of prayer and intercession, particularly for those struggling with addictions, as well as their families and all those who are affected by addiction.

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 (25th January; 22nd February and 29th March) Booking essential. To find out more, contact **Pauline 07519289185 or Marie 07896119669 or email belfastbe@yahoo.com**

Legion of Mary - Weekly Meetings in the Parish Centre in Randalstown every Tuesday @ 7.30pm www.legionofmarydc.co.uk All welcome.

Lenten Program Belfast Jesuit Centre. Dr Kieran O'Mahony OSA will return to the Belfast Jesuit Centre this Lent to lead a programme entitled, *Salvation in The Gospel Of John: Keys for Unlocking the Message Today*.

The programme will run at 7.00pm, on each of the Thursdays of Lent, beginning on the 6th March - 10th April. A suggested donation of between £80-£120 is suggested for the course but a small number of subsidised places are available for those unable to pay. Early registration is advised as numbers are limited. To register, visit our Facebook page or website: www.belfastjesuitcentre.co.uk

26th January, 2025
The Presentation of the Lord

Priest: To God, the Father Almighty, may our every prayer be directed, for it is his will that all humanity should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth.

As we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of Jesus, we are reminded of our own consecration to God at Baptism. May we always remember that ‘in him we live and move and have our being’.

Let us pray to the Lord.

On this World Day for Consecrated Life, we ask the Lord to bless all those who have dedicated themselves to the service of God through religious life. We give thanks for their radical witness to the Kingdom through poverty, chastity and obedience, as well as for their continued prayer for us.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for the children who are enrolled for the sacrament of Holy Communion and First Penance this weekend, and for their parents. May they know the presence of God in their lives. May their parents be witnesses of faith to them.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for the sick, that they may be strengthened by the love of those around them. Through God’s grace, may they find healing and comfort in their suffering.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for those who are approaching the end of their earthly life. May their hearts be filled with faith and the hope of the Resurrection. May they be prepared for meeting God face to face.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for happy repose of the faithful departed. We remember especially...

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All those named in the bulletin.

Let us pray to the Lord

Priest: May the petitions that your Church presents be pleasing to you, O Lord, and may we receive from your mercy, that which we cannot ask out of confidence for our own merits. Through Christ our Lord.