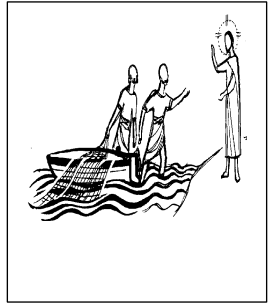


PARISH OF ANTRIM  
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**SUNDAY MASSES**

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 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

**Adoration:** Fri 10.30 – 12 noon St. Comgall's  
Every 1<sup>st</sup> Fri. @ 6pm St. Joseph's

**Prayer Group** – Every Wed 7pm in Sr.  
Catherine's Room  
St. Comgall's

**Readings:** Sunday Cycle A Week 3 in  
OT Weekday Cycle 2

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Open our hearts, loving Father, that we may know both healing and hope. Touch our inmost selves and bring us the wholeness we need. Plant in our hearts the vision of your reign that we be people of faith, hope and love.*

**PRAYER PEOPLE**

Intention for Parish Community Year 13  
Week 9

*We pray for all the children that are being enrolled for the Sacrament of Penance by their parents this weekend in the parish that God will guide them in their journey of faith together.*

Offertory Collection: £3,378.00  
*Thank you to all who contributed.*

*Thought for the Week*

*“The relationship between the Risen Lord, the community of believers and sacred Scripture is essential to our identity as Christians. With the Lord who open our minds to them, it is impossible to understand the Scriptures in depth. Yet the contrary is equally true: without the Scriptures, the events of the mission of Jesus and of his Church in this world would remain incomprehensible. Hence, St. Jerome could rightly claim: “Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.”*

*Pope Francis*  
*Aperuit illis*

**Recently Deceased:**

**Months Mind:** Ethan Smith

**Anniversaries:** Jimmy Hannan, Sean McGrogan, Harry Allen; Catherine Allen, Joe McGarry, Sr. Mary Kelly, Margaret McWilliams, Paschal McWilliams, Paul Magee, Catherine Donnelly, Harry Allen, Patrick Molloy, Mary Heffron, Brian Lavery, Cecil Doole

**Alpha Course** Antrim Parish invites you to explore the Alpha Programme. Meet new people, explore questions of faith, with no pressure. Commencing Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March for 12 weeks in St. Joseph's Hall from 7 – 9pm. Refreshments available. All welcome.

**Liturgy Committee - Eucharistic Ministers – Information Session**

All current and former Eucharistic Ministers, and anyone interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister are warmly invited to attend one of the below information sessions on this vital parish ministry, with particular focus on visiting the sick and housebound in our Parish.

Sessions will take place on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January or Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, from 7.30pm–8.00pm in St Comgall's Church

If you are unable to attend either, but are interested in **being part of this ministry, please leave your name with the Parish Office and one of our Liturgy Team members will be in touch.**

**CELEBRATING ST BRIGID – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 7pm Parish Hall @St Joseph's** Antrim Parish Social and Hospitality Committee and CLG Naomh Comhghall are coming together to celebrate the legacy of St Brigid, Ireland's patroness and the beginning of Spring. An old Irish tradition is weaving a St Brigid's cross from material like rushes, or pipe cleaners. Come and join us in the tradition of making St Brigid's Cross (Cros Bride). The tea will be brewing and some refreshments will be awaiting for you. There will be live Traditional Irish music. It is an opportunity for families and friends to come together for an evening of fun, music and a wee chat. Registration link: **<https://forms.office.com/r/QFLymAhrBd>**

**St. Benedict's College – Vacancy** Learning support assistant job available at Saint Benedict's College in Randalstown. This is a 30 hours per week role. Please contact Roisin on; 028 94472411 or [rboyd463@c2kni.net](mailto:rboyd463@c2kni.net) for further details.

**Workshops on Charisms of the Holy Spirit.** St. MacNissius Church Randalstown on 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> November from 9am – 7pm led by Brother Thomas Paul. For more details contact Meg Doherty 07470822437 or Aji Noble 07934166436.

This year, **The St Brigid's Day Lecture** will be given by Fr Tom Layden, S.J. Fr Layden is a Jesuit priest, living and working in Belfast. The theme of his lecture, "The Nicene Creed: A foundation for Ecumenism", is based on Pope Leo XV1's address at Nicaea.

The Lecture will be in St Brigid's Parish Centre, Derryvolgie Avenue, Belfast BT9 6FP, on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February, at 4.00pm. All welcome.

**Salsa Classes** Beginner Salsa classes at 7pm on Wednesdays in at St Comgall's youth centre.

Contact 07713388035 for more info.

**25th JANUARY 2026**  
**3rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - WORD OF GOD SUNDAY**

**Priest:** Having heard God's word, we are prompted by the Spirit to pray for our needs, the needs of the Church, and those of the world.

We pray for all clergy who are entrusted with the ministry of the word. May they be faithful to the will of God in their preaching. May their reverence for the Scriptures be evident.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for unity among Christians: that divisions may be healed and we may be united in Christ.

*Let us pray to the Lord.*

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

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for our parish community. That God's word may be our guiding light in daily living.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for our deceased brothers and sisters. Especially...

**Recently Deceased:**

**Month's Mind:** Ethan Smith

**1<sup>st</sup> Anniv:**

**All those named in the bulletin.**

May they hear the words of the Father: 'Well done good and faithful servant. Come and share your master's happiness.'

*Let us pray to the Lord*

**Priest:** Lord, your word is alive and active; it speaks to the deepest parts of our hearts and souls. May we faithfully meditate on this word, and be quick to put it into practice. Through Christ our Lord.