**19th MAY – 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**PARISH OF ANTRIM**
St Comgall, St Joseph, St MacNissius

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**SUNDAY MASSES**
St. Comgall’s Saturday 6.30pm (Vigil), St. Comgall’s 9.00am 12.00 noon
St. Joseph’s Saturday 5.30pm (Vigil), St. Joseph’s 11.00am
St. MacNissius 10.00am

**Weekday Mass**
St. Comgall’s: Monday to Friday at 10.00am, Tuesday 7.00pm
St. MacNissius: Monday 9.15am
St. Joseph’s: Monday to Thursday 9.30am. Friday 7.00pm

**Feasts:**

**Confessions**
St. Comgall’s – Sat 12 - 12.30pm
5.45 - 6.15pm
St. Joseph’s Sat 4.45 – 5.15pm

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, you are one and all your works are holy. Through Jesus, you call us all to life and count our love for each other as love for you. As we celebrate this Easter season, we ask you to deepen our faith, to renew our hope, and to let our love increase.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

“As long as we remain locked in our own separate worlds, we cannot address divisions and suffering. We must seek to bring people together. We must visit nursing homes, volunteer at food banks and hospitals and interest ourselves in unfamiliar traditions of religion.”

Jean Vanier
Founder of L’Arche Community
Died 7th May 2019

**‘THE FAITH CORNER’**

Jesus the turning point in human history.

Throughout human history, every civilisation has reached out to God. Different societies have reached out to God in different ways, and many of them seem strange to us today, but they all point to a single truth: Deep in the heart of every person, there is a desire to know God and yearning to draw nearer to him. Similarly, at every moment of human history God has reached out to man. God desires to be with his people. This happened through the reaching out of God in the coming of Jesus Christ. God who took on flesh to be with his people.

We pray for: Recently Deceased: James Kenyon, David Brown,
1st Anniv Fred Kift
Anniv: Anne Blackwell, Rose McShane, Brendan Topping, Hugh Gilmore, Cornelius O’Sullivan, Tony Crossan, James Kennedy, Albert & Catherine Scullion, Molly Donnelly, Margaret & Joseph Duffin, Sammy Heffron, Andrew McAnespie, James Begley, Cormac Boomer, John Murray, Eddie McWilliams, Margaret Doherty, Nora & Jim McBride, Gerard Duffy, David McNeilly, Maureen & Bernard Shannon, Maria Nesbitt, Sean, Brendan & Mary Byrne, George Hart, Mary (Molly) Taggart, Selina Dickey, Sidney Jennings, Thomas, Patrick & James O’Connor,

**Offertory Collection:** £3,210.00

**The collection for the Education of Students to the Priesthood amounted to £1765.00 Thank you**
TROCAIRE LENTEN APPEAL
Please return your donation to Trocaire as soon as possible. Thank you.

PARISH DRAW Week 43
1st Prize - £150 384 J. Green (B. Clegg)
2nd Prize - £100 832 E. Malseed (M. Dean)

Tannaghmore Tea Club The Quiz night at Tannaghmore planned for 31st May has been postponed until September

St. MacNissius Naíscoil - Funded spaces still available at Naíscoil na tamhnaí Móire starting September 2019 please contact Kelly on 07840206866

Mums and Tots in St. Comgall’s Parish Centre, on Friday mornings @ 9.30am – 11am are looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen making refreshments? If you are interested please contact the Parish office.

Friends of Africa – One of our parishioners Joseph Webb is travelling to South Africa in June to work with Youth projects through teaching in schools and building in the local community in a rural town of Supingstad. He will be taking up a church door collection this weekend. All donations gratefully accepted.

Antrim Spred Group would welcome new members, young people and adults with learning disabilities who meet, to develop their faith and spirituality. New volunteers are also welcome. No experience required. Venue: St. Joseph’s Hall Monday 7 - 9pm. For further information contact Mary 07880797674.

Beginning Experience Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner? Looking for help and understanding? Beginning Experience (a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people) meets every Wednesday evening from 8pm to 10pm in St Bride’s Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Malone Rd., Belfast. All welcome. For details please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 078 9611 9669

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Yoga Classes: Friday mornings or Monday nights. 6 week block booking £40. BOOKING ESSENTIAL. Contact Katrina on 07749064886 or email empoweredyogakh@gmail.com for enquiries or to book a place.

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Blessing Of Babies A blessing of babies who were baptised in the parish between 1 January and 31 December 2018 will be take place in St Joseph’s Church at 3pm on Sunday 9th June. All babies baptised during that period, together with their parents and godparents, are invited to the blessing followed by refreshments in the parish hall.

Paediatric Memorial Prayer Service will be held in St Joseph’s Church @ 3pm on Sunday 19th May 2019. All are welcome.

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Fifth Sunday of Easter  
19 May 2019

**Priest:** We present our prayers to God the Father through his Son Jesus who is risen from the dead and who is with us always on our earthly journey

We pray for our Holy Father Pope Francis and those who lead us in the Church. May the Holy Spirit inspire, support and guide them as they spread Christ’s message to all people  
*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for the families of our parish community that their homes will be places of faith and prayer where Mass and Holy Communion are valued and young children are encouraged to pray  
*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for the people throughout the world who are suffering persecution, hunger and homelessness because of conflict in their countries. Let us keep them in our prayers  
*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for those who are sick in mind or body that they will know the closeness and love of  
*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.  
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**All those named in the bulletin**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace  
*Let us pray to the Lord*

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**Priest:** Loving and compassionate God, we offer these and all the unspoken prayers in our hearts through your Son Jesus who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.