



**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: Mon 15<sup>th</sup> St Ita – Virgin, Wed 17<sup>th</sup> St Anthony – Abbot

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Lord our God, you have the words of Eternal Life and you offer us the opportunities each day to “come and see”, to hear and listen to your words. May we be wholehearted in our following of you and in our responding to your call in our daily lives. Give us the inner peace and a listening heart to hear your voice and so to accomplish your will for each of us.*

***Thought for the Week***

***Having faith does not mean having no difficulties, but having the strength to face them, knowing that we are not alone.”***

***Pope Francis***

**PRAYER PEOPLE**

**Intention for Parish Community Year 11**  
**Week 7**

***We pray that for the unity of all Christians and that different religions will respect their differences.***

Offertory Collection: £2,783.00  
***Thank you to all who contributed.***

**Recently Deceased:** Billy Darby, Charlie McStocker

**Anniversaries:** Canon Malachy Murphy, Jimmy Hannon, Barry Robb, Rosaline Beedim, Mary Elizabeth Bean, Edna Corr, Joe McGarry, Margaret & Conor DeLargy, Mick Kelly, Sr. Mary Kelly, Charles, John & Felix Woods, Danny White, Betty Duffin, Hugh Duffin,

**Pre Sacramental Meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> Penance will be held for parents on Wednesday 17th January @ 6.30pm in St Joseph's Hall.**

**Pre Sacramental Meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion will be held for parents on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January @ 7.30pm in St. Joseph's Hall  
It is hoped that all parents will attend.**

**MINISTRY OF WELCOME. - ST. JOSEPH'S** need additional Ministers of Welcome. If you are interested in volunteering please contact the parish office or speak with any of the priests.

**Parish Rosary and Night Prayer**

Every Tuesday @ 8pm in St Joseph's Church. All welcome as we gather as a Parish to pray for each others intentions and for the needs of our world. Please do come along and join in prayer.

**Apostolic Bingo Tea**

The next Bingo Tea is on this Sunday at 8 pm in St Joseph's Hall. A great night's craic helping to raise much needed funds for the Developing World.

**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 (27th January, 24th February and 23rd March 2024) Booking essential. To find out more, contact Marie [07896119669](tel:07896119669) or 07519289185 or email [belfastbe@yahoo.com](mailto:belfastbe@yahoo.com)

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible Course** includes 8 weekly sessions. Course participants will receive a resource pack. The programme requires one hour of study per week.

Venue: **Online via zoom** Beginning **Wednesday 17th January @7pm online for 8 weeks.**

The program will conclude with a Retreat Day on **Saturday 23rd March 2024 Venue: Holy**

**Rosary Parish Centre, Belfast** Facilitators: Fr Paul Byrne & Aishling Steen. Cost is £30

To book your place click on the registration link: <https://forms.office.com/e/HTLtfTXUaD>

**\*Places are limited. Booking early is advised.\***

**Applications to Pre-school and Primary school:**

EA Connect will open for applications to Pre-school and Primary school for the school year beginning September 2024 to June 2025 on Tuesday 9 January 2024 at 12 noon. To register for EA Connect @ <https://connect.eani.org.uk/parent>

The Admissions Helpdesk is available from Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm by telephone on 028 9598 5595 or email: [digital@eani.org.uk](mailto:digital@eani.org.uk).

**St Louis Grammar School, Ballymena OPEN NIGHTS**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>/Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Principal's First Address at 7.15pm

P6/P7/prospective Sixth Form Pupils and Parents are cordially invited to visit the school (Please leave time for parking)

For further information, please telephone 028 2564 9534

Email [tweir593@c2kni.net](mailto:tweir593@c2kni.net) to arrange an alternative visit

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year**  
**14<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**Priest:** In faith let us call upon God the almighty Father who has given us all things in Christ to hear our prayers and answer them according to his will

We pray that the Church throughout the world may listen faithfully to God's call and do his will.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray that through the blood of Christ's Cross all things in the world may be reconciled and brought to peace for the sake of our salvation.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray that the homeless and those struggling to keep their homes because of financial difficulties may find support for their needs.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray that our schools may be places of true learning and kindness where children and young people are free from any kind of bullying or form of discrimination.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray that those suffering from illness or anxiety may place their trust in Christ and those caring for them and be restored to full health and peace of mind.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray that Christ may welcome into his heavenly home the souls of our departed loved ones and all who have left this world in his friendship.

**Recently Deceased:** Billy Darby, Charlie McStocker

**All those named in the bulletin.**

*Let us pray to the Lord.*

**Priest:** Grant mercy Lord to those who turn to you with all their hearts. May we never be without your assistance. We make these and all our prayers in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.