28th JANUARY 2024 – 4th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR



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: Wed 31st St John Bosco – Priest, Thurs 1st St Brigid – Abbess, Secondary Patron Saint of Ireland, Fri 2nd Presentation of the Lord - World Day for Consecrated Life, Sat 3rd St Blaise – Bishop & Martyr

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gentle God, you have fed us this day with your holy Word and life-giving Bread. May we continue to discern your calls in life, family, community and in the movements of our hearts. Direct all that we do this day that it may be a reflection of your goodness and love.

PRAYER PEOPLE

Intention for Parish Community Year 11
Week 9

We pray this Catholic Schools Week for our parish schools that they will be communities where Christ is present. Thought for the Week

Holiness consists of doing the will of God with a smile.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Offertory Collection: £2,794.00 *Thank you to all who contributed.*

Recently Deceased: Shaun Esler, Robin O'Loan **Month's Mind:** Vera Drain, Veronica Masserella

1st Anniv: Nuala Dempsey, Marie Laverty

Anniversaries: June Duffin, Philip Walder, Patsy McCollum, Mary, Eileen & John O'Kane,

Joseph Devine, Pat & Gabriel Mooney, Hugh & Mary Agnew, Paschal McWilliams,

Mary Heffron, Harry Allen, Seamus & Gerard Duffy, Daniel & Bridget Walsh,

Stephen & Gerard Sloan, robert & Lizzie McCann, John, Annie, Teresa & Michael Slane

Pre Sacramental Meeting for Confirmation will be held for parents on Thursday 1st February @ 6.30pm in St Joseph's Hall.

1st Friday of the Month

There will be Adoration and Confessions in St. Joseph's on Friday 2^{nd} February 2024 from 6pm – 7pm. This will take place on every 1^{st} Friday of the month.

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.

GIFT Programme

Our parish GIFT programme (Growing In Faith Together) starts on Sunday 18th February, from 12-2PM in St Comgall's Parish centre, running for 6 weeks and finishes with Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

The programme is open to young people in the following year groups 8- 12 and enables them to have fun, make new friends and develop their faith.

Parents/guardians can register their young person on the first day and the cost is £10.

CLG Naomh Comhghall Centenary Gala Ball in the Tullyglass Hotel on Saturday 24 February 2024. Drinks reception, five course dinner, and live band so stay 'til late! Tickets £75 per person. Dress black tie / formal dress. Tables of ten or individual tickets available from - secretary.stcomgalls.antrim@gaa.ie or on M: 07716440184

St Brigid's Day Lecture

Date: Thursday 1st February at 7.30pm **Venue:** St Bride's Parish Centre (38 Derryvolgie Avenue) **Guest Speaker:** Fr Gerry O'Hanlon S.J.

Theme: "Why Synodality? Progress and Challenges on The Synodal Pathway of the Catholic Church"

Fr Gerry O'Hanlon is a Jesuit priest, theologian and former Provincial of the Irish Jesuits. He has written extensively on Church reform and the role of the Church in the public square. In 2018 he published, what is regarded as a work of seminal importance: The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis – A Synodal Catholic Church in Ireland Everyone is Welcome!

St. Comgall's Playgroup AGM will take place on Tuesday 30th January @ 7pm in the Playgroup Minor Hall. All welcome to attend.

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.

The 4th Sunday of the Year 28th January 2024

Priest: We direct our prayers to God the source of all our devotion, confident in his loving and merciful response to our needs

We pray that our Holy Father Pope Francis may have health, strength and wisdom for his task of service to the Church and the world.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that leaders who govern may work to end discrimination against minorities and help those who suffer through poverty, war and oppression to know more peaceful and prosperous times.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that as witnesses to Christ's love each one here present may be an instrument of his peace and compassion in the world.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that God may grant patience and perseverance to all who are struggling with challenges in their daily life because of health or financial issues or worries.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that the elderly who suffer from isolation or sickness may be strengthened by prayer and by our love and care for them as brothers and sisters.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray that the faithful departed may rest in peace and that Christ may welcome into the light of his face all who have died and hope in the resurrection.

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All those named in the bulletin.

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Priest: May your mercy, we beseech you, O 'Lord, be with your people who cry to you, so that what we seek at your prompting we may obtain by your generosity. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.