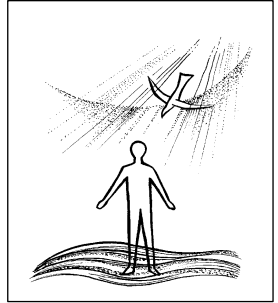




**PARISH OF ANTRIM**  
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**SUNDAY MASSES**

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 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 13th St Hilary – Bishop & Doctor

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Lord God, we pray for a deeper understanding of the meaning of our Baptism. Help us to appreciate the dignity conferred on us through the sacrament. Give us the grace to live up to it with joy and generosity so that we may continue your mission of love on earth.*

**PRAYER PEOPLE**

**Intention for Parish Community Year 11**  
**Week 6**

*We pray for all parishioners that they may be strengthened by the Sacrament of Baptism that they have received and live by.*

***Thought for the Week***

***When once we begin to form good resolutions. God gives us every opportunity of carrying them out."***

***St John Chrysostom***

Offertory Collection: £2,661.00  
***Thank you to all who contributed.***

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**Month's Mind:** Eileen Magowan, Mary Kerr

**1<sup>st</sup> Anniv:** Sadie McIlmunn, Geraldine Ashe, Mari Laverty,

**Anniversaries:** William Wallace, Annie Corr, Sarah McLaughlin, James Taggart, Kathleen & Roisin Mackle Claude & Nellie Young, Paddy McGrandles, Henry Stewart McCollum, Bernard McGovern, Paul Taggart, John O'Dea, Jean & Jeff Burton, Mick Kelly, Marie Carbery, Jane O'Hara, Mary Marley

**Pre Sacramental Meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> Penance will be held for parents on Thursday 18th January @ 6.30pm in St Joseph's Hall.**

**Pre Sacramental Meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion will be held for parents on Thursday 18<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 Sunday 14 January 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).

## **The Baptism of the Lord**

### **7<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**Priest:** In the Sacrament of Baptism God gives us the gift of new life and a share in his divine life. Let us bring our needs to him in prayer.

We pray that the Church will continue to show the true image of God as she brings the Good News of salvation to all.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for those who are suffering because of war and conflict. May the New Year bring them peace with justice.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for our parents who brought us to Baptism, handing on the gift of faith; we pray for the newly baptised that they may grow in grace and faith.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for those who preach and teach the gospel to bring the message of salvation to the poor, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for the sick and suffering that they may be treated with compassion and understanding and find relief from their pain or distress.

*Let us pray to the Lord*

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time,

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**All those named in the bulletin**

May they enter into the joy and peace of God's presence with Mary and the saints

*Let us pray to the Lord*

**Priest:** Lord, hear the prayers of those here present. We offer them through your Son Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.