



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:

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord, be our strength as we seek help with the efforts of this week. May we put our trust in you, and in your love for us. In your goodness help us this week not to lose heart and give up but to persevere in our resolve. Grant us the wisdom to see the best in others.

PRAYER PEOPLE

Intention for Parish Community Year 11
Week 14

We pray for the children making their First Penance this week that they may experience the joy of God's forgiveness and give good example to the rest of us.

Thought for the Week

“Let nothing frighten you... who has God, lacks nothing. God alone is enough.”

St Teresa of Avila

Offertory Collection: £2,755.00
Thank you to all who contributed.

Recently Deceased: Ethel McLaverty, Robert Skillen

Month's Mind: Peter McQuade

Anniversaries: Bernard Totten, Harry Morgan, John Law, James Hill, Oonagh Lees, Peggy & Peter McCorry, Danny McCloskey, Eugene Creane, James & Elizabeth McLoughlin

WELCOME

To the Columban Fathers who visit the parish this weekend to remind us of the need to be aware of support we can give to the missions.

Lenten Prayer Services will take place each Monday evening during Lent @ 7pm in St Comgalls Church and will last about 30 mins the theme for this time is:

REPENT AND BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS

Monday 4th March - Week 3

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks wisdom, here we are preaching a crucified Christ." 1 Cor. 1: 22

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CONFIRMANDI 2024

We congratulate the young parishioners who received the Sacrament of Confirmation during the past week.

Information On Measles - PHA Notice

The NHSCT are holding an MMR walk in vaccination clinic in St Comgall's Primary School, Antrim on Friday 1st March between 6.30 pm – 8.30pm.

The clinic is for children 6 years and over, who have not completed their two dose MMR vaccination schedule (children will have received a letter from the Public Health Agency advising they require MMR) & adults who have been identified as a close contact to measles and who do not have MMR vaccination/immunity.

FIRST PENANCE

will be celebrated in the parish during the coming week. Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament of forgiveness.

Parish Rosary and Night Prayer Every Tuesday @ 8pm in St Joseph's Church. All welcome.

The Rosary You are invited to join in praying the Rosary for peace in the world, in our communities and in our homes. The Rosary will take place in Sister Catherine's office (beside the Parochial House) each Sunday & Thursday evenings at 7PM. if you are not able to make it, please join us from wherever you are .

Right to Life Support an amendment to reduce our abortion law from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Babies born prematurely at 22 weeks are thriving and there is a contradiction in our abortion law. Collect a postcard today from the back of the church and post it to your MP in support of this amendment.

Apostolic Bingo Tea

The next Bingo Tea is on Sunday 10 March at 8 pm in St Joseph's Hall. Books are £5 and everyone is welcome to come along for a good night's craic while helping to raise much needed funds for the Developing World.

DIOCESAN VOCATION WEEKEND Have you ever considered the possibility that God is calling you to the priesthood? If so, take this opportunity to gather with other men who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood. This retreat will create the time and space to help you discern God's calling in your life. The retreat will take place in Drumalis Retreat Centre, from Friday 8th – Sunday 10th March 2024. If you wish to attend this retreat or would like further information contact: Fr Conor McGrath, c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org or 02890654157.

The 3rd Sunday of Lent
3rd March 2024

Priest: Dear brothers and sisters we should pray at all times and above all during Lent let us watch more intently with Christ as we direct our prayers to God.

We pray for the Holy Father's intention for the month of March, we pray for the new martyrs that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world may inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for people who are in need that they may find help and that peace and security may be established everywhere.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for ourselves during Lent that we may resist temptation and be strengthened by God's grace to give from the fruits of our self-denial.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for those considering a call to the priesthood or consecrated life, that they will answer the call and proclaim Christ crucified, we pray to the Lord.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for those who carry the cross with Christ because of their illness or infirmity that they may find healing and comfort through the prayers and loving care of those around them.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for our deceased relatives, friends and parishioners that the Lord may grant the faithful departed the reward of their labours.

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All those named in the bulletin.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Priest: Have mercy, O Lord, on the prayers of your church and turn with compassion to the hearts that bow before you, that those you make sharers in the divine mystery may never be left without your assistance. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.