

SOCIAL DISTANCING AND WEARING OF FACEMASKS

...in the interests of the common good and for everyone's well-being Bishop Noel asks that Face coverings continue still to be worn when in the Church.

The Church of St. MacNissi

02 & 03 October 2021
27 Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 7.00pm Wednesday – Friday 9.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon – Fri 10.00am -12noon

Weekend Masses Sat Vigil 6pm Sun 10.00am

CREGGAN PS OPENING MASS

Thursday 7th Oct @ 11am

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love You above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You - **already there** and unite myself to You. Never permit me to be separated from You
St Alphonsus Ligouri (1696-1787)

An age-old tradition of our Church re-assures us that if the faithful are deprived of the Eucharist for a protracted time eg. war, pestilence, or no priest available, they may receive 'spiritually'

FEASTS

Tues 4th Oct St Francis of Assisi

Wed 6th Oct St Bruno

Thurs 7th Oct Our Lady of the Rosary

Fri 8th Oct Children Day of Mission Prayer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

9 th October	Brenda Corr Terry McKeown Malachy Duffin	Colin McIlmunn Gerard McBride Fiona McKeown
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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

9 th October	Margaret Kerr	Frank Devenny
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ANNIVERSARIES;

Felix Robb & Maureen Hughes - Sat 2 October 6pm

Michael McLaughlin - Sun 3 October 10am

Gerard McCormack, Henry Busby, Chelly Busby,

Ellen O'Hara, Margaret McAndrew -McCoy,

Joseph Heffron, John Brown

INTENTIONS;

William Griffin Saturday 9th October at 6pm

MONTHS MIND;

Ursula McGuigan Sunday 10th October 10am

PARISH COLLECTION

Last week's collection was **£1060.00**

To set up a Standing Order

Account name Church of St MacNissi

Sort Code 95-04-31 A/c number 1100 0861

your name. Thank you.

"My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't."

Sick & Housebound Visit

will be visited this week from Wednesday 6th October. IF you would like to register for a home visit please leave your name and contact details at the parish office or contact Fr John

BAPTISM is celebrated each weekend. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Babies are usually baptised in the parish community in which they are growing up. If you wish to have your baby baptised in a parish other than where you live, it is an act of courtesy to get a note from your own parish priest.

God-parents need to be (1) at least 16 yrs, and (2) practicing Catholics. It is also possible to nominate a friend from another Christian denomination and they are included in the parish register with the note *Christian Witness*.

We congratulate the parents of babies
Emily Rae Whyte/ Ronan John Scott
Neidín Anna O'Flaherty/Áda Una O'Donnell
who were welcomed into our Catholic family
in the Sacrament of Baptism

BAPTISM, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS AND ANNIVERSARY bookings contact;
PARISH OFFICE; Mon – Fri 028 9447 2103
EMAIL; randalstown@downandconnor.org
WEBSITE; www.stmacnissirandalstown.com

PAROCHIAL HOUSE 028 9447 2640

IN ANY EMERGENCY Fr John 078343 83314

CHURCH CLEANING TEAM

Week beginning 04/10/2021 - Team 1
Volunteers Please contact Anne McKee 07811361110

PERMANENT DIACONATE DOWN AND CONNOR

Please remember in your prayers this weekend, four men from our Diocese who are commencing the first stage of formation for the permanent diaconate in Down and Connor.

We also keep in prayer the seven men who are in the final months of their initial formation and will be ordained deacons in Spring 2022.

Right or wrong: *A Sunday school teacher was trying to demonstrate the difference between 'right' and 'wrong'. "All right children, let's take an example," she said. "If I were to go into a man's pocket and take his wallet with all his money, what would I be?"*

A child in the back answered, "You'd be his wife."



~ John O'Donohue ~

*A Friendship Blessing Anam Cara
A Book of Celtic Wisdom*

May you be blessed with good friends.
May you learn to be a good friend to yourself.
May you be able to journey in your soul where there is great love, warmth, feeling, and forgiveness.
May this change you.
May it transfigure that which is negative, distant, or cold in you.
May you be brought into the real passion, kinship and affinity of belonging.
May you treasure your friends.
May you be good to them and may you be there for them;
May they bring you all the blessings, challenges, truth, and light that you need for your journey.
May you never be isolated.
May you always be in the gentle nest of belonging with your *anam cara*.

S.V.P. PARISH HELPLINE ☎ 0750 8549606

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DOGGIE SITTER

Required for approx **3hrs only**
on Tuesday 5th October afternoon
Contact 077612 91864 / 077062 97482 to help an elderly lady get her hospital appointment by dog-sitting in her home (Beechmount) **Woof woof!**



PATHWAYS Adult Faith Development
Two-year, part-time course, now enrolling for 2021-2023 intake

Have you ever thought about exploring your beliefs ... Would you like to explore issues and questions of faith, the Church, and how to link faith to life? Pathways may be for you. The course runs one Saturday per month (10 am – 4:30 pm) from October to June, either in-house at Drumalis, Larne or online via Zoom.
028 28276455/28272196 email maura@drumalis.co.uk

TIR NA NOG G.A.C. DRAW RESULTS

Tuesday 28th September 2021 were:
WINNING NUMBERS 3 4 17 26
No jackpot Winners Jackpot Next Week - **£2800**
£25 Winners Nan Picken/ Sally Robb
John Shannon/ Colm McMullan

KICKHAMS GAC CREGGAN LOTTO RESULTS

Wednesday 29th September 2021;
WINNING LETTERS D, J, L, U
£25 DRAW WINNERS Michelle Bradley & Sam Maguire.
Next week's jackpot is £600. Tickets are available online at kickhamscreggangac.com, at local outlets or usual ticket sellers. Next draw is **Wed 6th October 2021**

Henry Ford said on the 50th anniversary of his wedding, "The secret of my success in my married life and in my business is the same", **"I don't change models every now and then; instead I stick on to one and try to improve it."**

SEASON OF CREATION

"Restoring our Common Home".
TIME TO HEAL THE WORLD

Pope Francis tells us

It must be said that some committed and prayerful Christians, tend to ridicule expressions of concern for the environment.

Others are passive; they choose not to change their habits and thus become inconsistent.

So what they all need is an "ecological conversion", whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them.

Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue;

it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience. (LS 217)

Last week we were given tips told on how to reduce **Plastic Pollution** This week ...

THINGS YOU CAN DO

SHOP BETTER - AVOID WASTE

- Plan your grocery shopping carefully
- Buy only what you can use before its "Best Before" date to avoid waste.
- Buy local organic produce on a regular basis.
- Choose durable goods in preference to single and limited use items
- Choose Fairtrade items when they are available

PROTECT OUR COMMON HOME PLEASE SIGN THE PETITION

At (COP15) in **October**, world leaders can set meaningful targets to protect creation. In **November**, countries will announce their plans to meet the goals of the Paris agreement. Next Sunday is the last of the Season of Creation finishing 4 Oct.

Ahead of those meetings, **it is our responsibility as Catholics to speak up for those brothers and sisters who are the poorest people in the world and advocate on their behalf.**

We must act now. Please sign the on-line Healthy People Healthy Planet *petition* by going to:
www.thecatholicpetition.org

"I never married because there was no need I have 3 pets at home which answer the same purpose as a husband:

*I have a dog that growls every morning,
a parrot which swears all afternoon
and a cat that comes home late at night"*