

The Church of St. MacNissi

First Sunday of Advent
27 & 28 November

SUNDAY MASS Saturday 6pm Vigil & 10.00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7.00pm Wednesday – Friday 9.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues – Fri 10.00am -12noon

To access our parish liturgical services on web cam www.mcnmedia.tv go to

'Northern Ireland' – Antrim-Randalstown'

ANNIVERSARIES;

Margaret McClenaghan 1st Ann Sat **6.00pm**

Tir Na nOg Deceased Members Sun **10.00am**

John McGill, Frances Totten, Vera Lenaghan,
Michael McCormack, Paddy McCormack,
John McLarnon, Jeannie McDonnell, Brigid Totten,
Les Tiernan, Damian Muldoon, Catherine Robb,
Peggy Bradley (nee Shannon) Jennifer Bennet,
Gerry McGuigan, Marie McGuigan, Mary Gildea,
Mary Jane McPeake, Margaret McPeake
Stephen Murray

INTENTIONS;

Joe Reid & Joan Shore Tuesday 30th November 7pm

MONTHS MIND Martin McVeigh 5 December 10.00am

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

05/12/2021	Mary Gately Vincent O'Connell Brian Fitzsimons	Colin McIlmunn Gerard McBride Fiona McKeown
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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

05/12/2021	Hannah Gately	Fergus McMorrow
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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

BAPTISM, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS AND ANNIVERSARY bookings contact; **PARISH OFFICE;**
Mon – Fri 028 9447 2103

EMAIL; randalstown@downandconnor.org

PARISH COLLECTION £974

Thank you for your continued generosity.

To set up a Standing Order

Account name **Church of St MacNissi**

Sort Code **95-04-31**

A/c number **1100 0861** your name.

Current envelope no. if you have one

S.V.P. PARISH HELPLINE ☎ **0750 8549606**

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Advent
A Season of Hope
& Expectation

Why not take a bit of time out over the Christmas period and Join us for?

Reflections for Advent

Each Tuesday evening after the 7 pm Mass for half-an-hour.

Tuesday 30 th	November	Hope
Tuesday 7 th	December	Peace
Tuesday 14 th	December	Joy
Tuesday 21 st	December	Love

Each Reflection will be a combination of listening to sacred music and liturgy.

ADVENT MEDITATIONS WITH JOSEPH AND MARY

Our diocesan Living Church office are offering **two** online programmes following the footsteps of **Joseph** and **Mary** as they travel towards Bethlehem. The programme runs for 4 weeks and provides 1 hour of prayer and reflection with scripture and participants will receive an accompanying prayer journal to use each day at home. Advent meditations with **Joseph** begins on **Thurs 25th Nov at 7pm.**

Advent meditations with **Mary** **Sun 28th Nov at 7pm.**

If you would like to join please e-mail livingchurch@downandconnor.org indicating in which programme you are interested.

ADVENT RETREAT:

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us" Fr Perry Gildea CM Friday 10-Sunday 12 Dec 2021 contact Drumalis - tel 28272196/28276455 or website - <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

ADVENT AT HOME You will find at the back of the church a very useful booklet covering the 4 Sundays of Advent. The readings include activities for all the family in which to engage.

Copies are limited. You may take **ONE** for YOUR family. Contains prayer for the four Sundays of Advent and has been written with families in mind.

The BBC Radio Ulster *Morning Service* programme broadcast on this Sunday at 10.15am presents Mass from **our** parish

CHURCH CLEANING TEAM 29/11/2021 Team 1
Volunteers Please contact Anne 07811 361110

SOCIAL DISTANCING AND

WEARING OF FACEMASKS

...in the interests of the common good and for everyone's well-being Bishop Noel asks that the wearing of Face coverings while in the Church be maintained



The Synod on Synodality: Preparing our hearts and minds

Pope Francis has invited every Diocese around the world to participate in the Universal Synod on Synodality. This is a process of journeying together. As the Church, we will listen to each other, dialogue with each other, pray together, discern together, and make decisions together for the purpose of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world! Listening and speaking within the Church always involves prayer. We are praying together so that we can hear the voice of the Holy Spirit.

The starting point of this journey begins with our own personal prayer and reflection. *"Prayer opens hearts. It opens the ear to a listening that is more than hearing and makes us attentive to the action of the Spirit in our lives."* (Cardinal Grech) In your prayer this week we ask that you pray for the success of our synodal journey and that you take time to reflect on the needs of the people in your community. This week we encourage you to pray with the prayer used at the Second Vatican Council.

Adsumus Sancte Spiritus.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.
All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Sick and Housebound

will be visited this week from **Wednesday 1st December** 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

BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

We are very happy to welcome back this life-giving team which serves the whole community
The next session is on
Friday 3rd December in our Parish Centre

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

The Annual Church Door Collection is essential in boosting our much needed income to support vulnerable households in our community. We greatly appreciate the donations including food vouchers left at the Parish Office during this year. On behalf the SVP thank you so much for your continued support.
GIFT Aid envelopes are available in the Church Porch.

TROCAIRE GIFTS OF LOVE. For many families in the developing world, life is a daily struggle and COVID has made their plight even worse. So, this year, your help is needed more than ever. Trocaire's *Gifts of Love cards* will be available in the church foyer after the weekend Masses on 4/5, 11/12 and 18/19 December. Donations for Trocaire also gratefully received.

RANDALSTOWN APOSTOLIC WORK Christmas Raffle Tickets are £5 per book available from members and from Mary - Mob. 07740 123128 . The raffle will be held on Sunday 19th December. Thank you in advance for your ongoing support.

TIR NA NOG G.A.C. DRAW Tues 23rd Nov
WINNING NUMBERS; 14 17 24 25

£25 winners Kay Logue S P McAtamney
Mary McLaughlin Aidan Liddy

Next draw **Tues 7th December Prize- £600**
Christmas Draw (all proceeds in aid of the Senior Camogie & Football Ulster campaigns)

Tickets are now available from The Mini Market, The Orchard Fruit & Veg, Heffrons Bar and any senior footballer, camog or committee member.
Single £5 can be purchased online via **klubfunder**
3 tickets for £10

KICKHAMS GAC CREGGAN LOTTO RESULTS

Wednesday 24th Nov
WINNING LETTERS C K R X

£25 DRAW WINNERS

There was no jackpot winner

£25 winners **Damien Graham Jackie Larkin**
Next week's jackpot is £1400

Tickets available online Kichamscreggangac.com
at local outlets or usual ticket sellers.
Next draw **Wed 1st Dec 2021.**