

5th Sunday of Easter Year B

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday evening 7.00pm
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30am

WEEKEND MASSES;

Saturday (VIGIL) 6.00pm
Sunday 10.00am

CONFESSIONS –

After weekday Mass and before Saturday Vigil

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday from 7am

Anniversaries;

Bishop Kevin Rafferty, Sr. Katey Dougan,
Sam McKeown, Peggy McKeown, John Dougan,
Richard Johnston,
Carmel Murray, Mary McCausland, John Woods,
Mary Kinghan, Colum Boyle, James Mullan,
Rosena Mullan, Brendan Devlin, Declan McLaughlin,
Harry Robb, Joanne McConville, Tommy Scullion,
Margaret Redmond, Josephine Harkin, Hugh Robb

S.P.R.E.D. Monday in the Parish Centre from 7pm

Prayer Meeting Wed 8pm in the Old Church

Rosary group – Friday 6pm

Bethany Bereavement Support 07517820129

WEEKLY COLLECTION - We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's offering of **£1984.73**
STANDING ORDERS FOR MONTH OF MARCH £2027. Please contact Parish Office for more information.

CLEANING TEAM 4 from Sun 29th April Thank you.

Ministers of the Word 06/05/2018

Vigil 6pm Susan McIlwee, Mary McGrath
Sunday 10.00am Denise Cassidy, Lily Cassidy

Ministers of the Eucharist 06/05/2018

Vigil 6pm Vincent O'Connell, George McAuley
Brian Fitsimmons, Bridie Quinn, Marie Close
Sunday 10.00am Hugh Fitzgerald, Fiona McKeown
Catherine Purdy, Colette Mulholland, Colin McIlmunn

IMPORTANT DATES IN 2018

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Creggan & Maine Integrated

Saturday 12th May 10.30am

Mt St Michaels

Sunday 20th May 12.00noon

CEMETERY SUNDAY 3rd June 3.00pm

CRANFIELD SUNDAY 24th June 3.00pm

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Tues: Beechmount, Magheralane, Grant Ave,
Neillsbrook Nursing Homes: Drummaul, Glenkeen & Maine.

Wed: Clonboy, Craigstown, Station Rd Ballygrooby,
Whelans, Barnish, The Meadows

Wed : Blackrock, Creggan, Staffordstown, Cranfield,
Thornleigh, Shanes St, Castle Rd

Closure of St MacNissi's Pre-School Playgroup Randalstown

Since 1984, St MacNissi's Pre-School Playgroup has provided quality care and education for children, in a safe, stimulating and supervised environment. Unfortunately, due to falling numbers of children in attendance this parish based playgroup has been running at a loss.

Having reviewed the current provision of the Playgroup service within the parish, having explored and examined alternative avenues of funding and service provision, and following a period of consultation with staff as to the future of the Playgroup, it has been decided by the Trustees that this parish based pre-school service is unable to continue, and will effectively close at the end of June. The parish recognises and is saddened by the loss to the community that this closure will mean, particularly for the staff and the many families who honoured this parish Playgroup by placing their children in its care.

The parish are also indebted and pay tribute to the Playgroup staff who through their professionalism and dedication over the years have provided the highest quality of care and education for children of families within this parish.

World Meeting of Families Tickets and Registration

Everyone who **registers online** to attend one or three days of the Pastoral Congress (22-24 August), is **guaranteed to receive tickets** for the **Festival of Families** (Croke Park, Saturday 25th August) and the **Final Mass** (Phoenix Park, Sunday 26th August).

Those who only wish to register for the **Festival of Families** or the **Final Mass** need to be aware that tickets will be limited subject to venue capacity and availability.

To register online please go to

www.worldmeeting.ie/en/Tickets/Tickets-Registration

THE PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

Tuesday from 9.30 - 11.30 am.

All parents/carers and children under 4years are welcome

CREGGAN LOCAL HERITAGE Anyone with local memorabilia which they wish to display should contact P McAteer on 028 9447 9107. This is trial run for a more comprehensive exhibition which we plan to hold in the future



Fr John Forsythe on 028 9447 2640

Parish Office 028 9447 2103

Email: randalstown@downandconnor.org

OFFICE OPEN Monday 12. - 4pm Tues, Thurs & Fri from 8.30am **OFFICE CLOSED** Wednesday

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<http://www.facebook.com/SaintMacNissi>





Congratulation and welcome to our Parish Family;

Tova Jeannie Florida / Dylan Moran
Cillian Patrick Luke McKernan/ Ana Beatriz Jorge
BAPTISM PREPARATION for first-time parents on
Thursday 31st May to confirm attendance contact
Parish Office 9447 2103 (9am-2pm)

APOSTOLIC WORK PILGRIMAGE

Antrim & Randalstown Pilgrimage to Our Lady's
Shrine Knock, 12th/13th May.
Coach from Parish Centre @ 7.30 a.m. sharp. Contact
Vera Hegarty 028 9447 2447

APOSTOLIC WORK ANNUAL DRUMALIS RETREAT

will take place on Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd June.
£90 for the weekend or £50 for Saturday only.
Contact Vera 028 9447 2447 or Mary 07740 123128
before 23rd May



NOVENA FOR OUR LADY

Ballymena parish are celebrating
a novena in honour of Our Lady
from May 1st -May 9th at
St Patrick's Church, Crebilly at
7.30pm each evening. Various
speakers, a night of healing
prayer and a night of
reconciliation. Everyone is
welcome to join us in Crebilly.
A special time of prayer!

Living Church Down & Connor Lough Derg

Pilgrimage The *sixth* Living Church Lough Derg 3
day Pilgrimage will take place this year from **Friday**
29th June to Sunday 1st July 2018. The pilgrimage
will be the traditional three day format. Those who
took part in the pilgrimage over the last few years
spoke of the many blessings they received from being
on the island of Lough Derg, as countless people
have throughout the years. There is quietness and
deep spirituality to be found there that is very
special. Please consider coming along. The cost of
the pilgrimage is **£65**.

We are now offering two departure points
Belfast and Ballycastle. For details of travel
arrangements and to book a place please call the
Living Church Office on 028 9069 0920 or email
livingchurch@downandconnor.org by Friday 15th
June. Registration forms on request from
Living Church Office or your Parish Office

ACCORD invites applications for
the Certificate in Counselling
(Marriage and Relationship),
for the academic year 2018/2019.
Application Criteria and Form:
<http://www.accord.ie/joining-accord/becoming-a-counselor>
Closing date: 18th May 2018



FRIENDS OF AFRICA Una McKeown is going to
Zambia in June with Friends of Africa. She will hold a
coffee morning on Saturday 5th May at Creggan
Pavilion from 10.00am – 1.00pm. All proceeds go
directly to school and Community projects.

GAA Activities

Tir na nOg Lottery 24/04/2018

Winning Numbers 4/6/11/21

JACKPOT NOT WON NEXT WEEK - £1600

£25 WINNERS Anne Kerr / Anthony McCormack / L
Givens / Michelle Redmond

JACKPOT NEXT WEEK - £1600

Kickhams GAC Creggan Lottery 25/04/2018

Winning Letters D-J-L-Q

Jackpot £3300 **WON** by James Dougan

Next Week's jackpot £500

Set Dancing Adults every Wednesday 8.30-10pm

REQUIRD FOR GENERAL HOUSEWORK

Locally on a Thursday from 10.00am – 2pm. Must
have own transport. Phone 079122 87157

GORTGILL HALL TOOME – DANCE Ceili Classes
every Wednesday 8pm - 9.30pm everyone welcome.



The National Osteoporosis Society invite you to a
FREE Osteoporosis & Bone Health event in the
Dunsilly Hotel, Antrim on Tuesday 29th May from 7pm
to 9pm.

All people affected by Osteoporosis are invited to
attend this evening and there will be presentations on
the evening from leading Osteoporosis Health
Professionals

As this is a FREE event places are limited and to
reserve your place please text/phone Edel on 07515
574785 or email on e.rogan@nos.org.uk

S.V.P. – PARISH HELPLINE ☎ 0750 854 9606