

Church of St. MacNissi

ANTRIM PASTORAL COMMUNITY

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 23rd August 2020

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday 6pm Vigil & 10.00am

DAILY MASS Tuesday 7pm

Wednesday to Friday 9.30am

ADORATION 10am -12noon

The **Obligation** to attend Sunday Mass remains **suspended –although a very sizeable number** are back already. To manage the numbers it is also possible to attend mid-week

To view Mass on our webcam;

Go to www.mcnmedia.tv

Then click '**Northern Ireland**'

click '**Antrim**' click '**Randalstown**'

RECENTLY DECEASED;

Rosealeen Totten

(Essex -wife of Jimmy Totten formerly Derryhollagh)

ANNIVERSARIES; Patrick Cassidy, John Bateson, John McCrystal, Alice Hurrell, Mary Kate Fallon, Sarah Agnes Heffron, Margaret McAteer, John Logan

INTENTIONS;

Patrick McKenna Thursday 27th August 9.30am

Feasts

St. Bartholomew

Monday 24th August

St. Monica

Thursday 26th August

St. Augustine

Friday 27th August

Covid-19

it is NOT a time to let down our guard



Thank you to all our Parishioners who continue to observe the social distancing rules and for mask wearing where possible.

I am delighted that most of our parishioners have "joined in" our suggestion to cheerfully share the load and cooperate with the tidying up after Masses. Again there is an adequate supply of cloths and sanitisers and we invite you to take a few moments after Mass to make safe the place where you have been sitting.

WEEKLY ENVELOPES

We are grateful to all who continue to support the parish. The Collection last week amounted to £1682- Thank You

If you wish to make a direct payment/debit to the parish account the details are

Danske Bank 42 High Street, Antrim BT41 4AP

Account name **Church of St MacNissis**

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

EXAMINATION RESULTS

We congratulate all our children who have had exam results recently. After a time of considerable worrying it was gratifying that the abiding professionalism of our teachers was acknowledged. As schools re-open we will all be in a learning curve as what is familiar is replaced by the 'new normal'.

Our local secondary school, St Benedict's College, continued to improve at all levels.

65% achieved 5 GCEs A-C incl. English and Maths.

82% got 5 GCEs A-C. We are proud of our students, their teachers, the staff and our principal.

A big vote of confidence increase in the number of 1st years – **84!!!!**

Our three schools in the parish have prepared detailed information on how they intend to manage the restrictions imposed by Covid-19

First Communion

Our former P4 children missed out a milestone day of their life –when 'lockdown' prevented us coming together to celebrate.

However, First Communion shall now continue with a more simple ceremony. The current restrictions on social distancing direct that our church could accommodate all 1st communicants - accompanied by **FOUR** others. The service will be streamed and can be accessed through

mediamcn.tv and follow the links to our church.

Creggan and Maine Integrated Sat 5th September
Mt St Michael 2 sessions Sat 3rd October

CONTACTS

WEBSITE: www.stmacnissirandalstown.com

FR JOHN: 078 343 83314 at any time.

PAROCHIAL HOUSE: 028 9447 2103

PARISH OFFICE - is currently closed **to the public** due to the Covid pandemic. However the office staff are back to work. If you require any information, need to make an urgent appointment, or have a general query please do not hesitate to contact the secretary. We will respond to all enquiries promptly.

Parish Office; 028 94472103 or

Email; randalstown@downandconnor.org

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Post to; Fr John Forsythe PP

Parochial House, 1 Craigstown Road,
Randalstown, BT41 2AF

Facebook

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

Twitter Follow us @StMacNissi us

Office hrs;

Mon – Thurs 9.00am – 5.00pm. Fr 9-2.00pm

Office is closed daily from 1.00 – 1.30pm



BAPTISMS Please contact Office 028 94472103

We welcome into our Catholic family

**Mia Murray
Torin O'Neill
Aidan McCoy
Noah McMillen**

who have been baptized since last weekend.

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES Can now be celebrated **within** the church. In each case we are still required to observe norms in respect of 'social gathering' (which our Diocese still interprets as 6 feet) and all requirements in relation to hygiene and sanitising.

CEMETERY: While visiting please protect yourself and others **OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING**

FUNERALS; During actual burials - graveside access is restricted to the funeral party - a maximum of 10 family members If an actual interment is taking place, kindly respect grieving families by not visiting at these times.

OUR CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS - The ongoing rota from now until September is **set out below.**

Week commencing

AUGUST: Team 3 24th Aug: Team 4
31st Aug: Team 1

SEPTEMBER

7th Sept: Team 2 14th Sept: Team 3
21st Sept: Team 4 28th Sept: Team 1

Thank you to any new team members.

There's always room for more..... 😊

We would be grateful if you could commit to ONE hour each month.

Contact Anne McKee **0781 1361 110.**

As access to our church is limited at present please contact the parish office to ensure the building is open.



MANY CONGRATULATIONS to
Patsy & Patricia O'Neill
on their 50th Wedding Anniversary
Wishing them many more years of
health and happiness

Growth in Prayer And Reflective Living Course 2020-2021 Drumalis

Begins- Monday, 14 September (by Zoom)
7 pm – 9:30 pm

Due to the success of last year's course, applications are now being accepted for the new intake of this one-year programme for those who want a closer relationship with God.

The **Growth in Prayer and Reflective Living** course will give you the tools and space to become attuned to God's voice in the midst of the clamour. Taking place over 30 Monday Evenings from 7 pm – 9:30 pm, the course will take place initially by Zoom and eventually in-house when Drumalis re-opens.

Please note that it will also be possible to attend the whole series by Zoom if this is your preference.

For further information, please contact 028 28276455/28272196 during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm) or **email** maura@drumalis.co.uk

Details are also available on the Drumalis website <http://www.drumalis.co.uk>

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I3JY2lChUU4>

TIR NA NOG LOTTERY

TUESDAY 18TH AUG 2020

WINNING NUMBERS - 7 / 13 / 24 / 25

JACKPOT NOT WON

£25 WINNERS

Maureen Hurrell / Jim McGrath /
Caoimhin Duffin / Katie Gilmore
Jackpot Next Week - £2800

KICKHAMS LOTTERY

WED 19/08/2020

WINNING LETTERS Q – U – T – Y

JACKPOT NOT WON

£25 WINNERS

Katherine O'Kane & Ciaran Totten
JACKPOT NEXT WEEK - £5000

Draw -Wednesday in Creggan Clubrooms 8.30pm