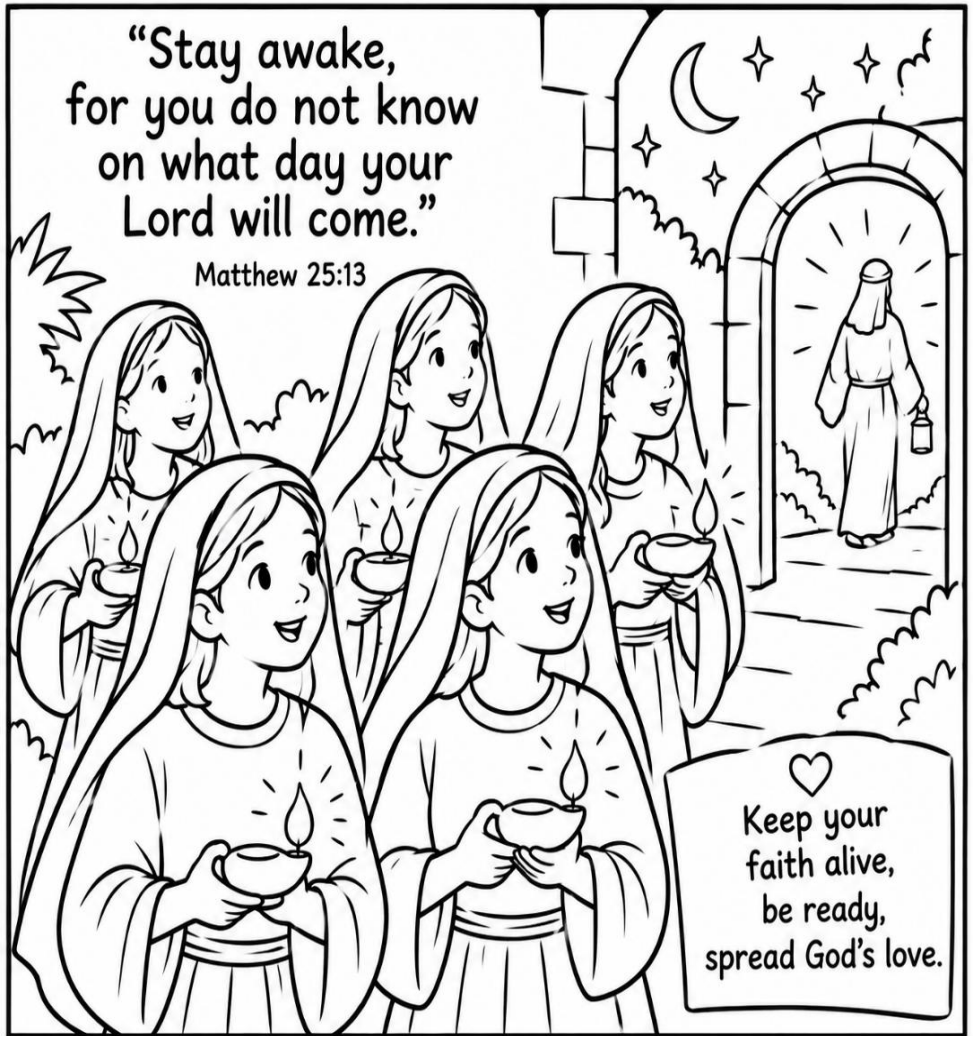


Baptisms: Saturday at 5.00pm contact the Parish Office on **71263152 10am-12 noon** Monday-Friday

Marriages At least 3 months notice must be given to the Parish. Contact Parish Office to arrange Pre-Marriage Preparation Course.

To join us for the live streaming of all Masses via the webcam, log in to: www.cregganchapel.com or www.churchservices.tv/creggan.
If you have any difficulty accessing the webcam, please contact the parish office on 028 7126 3152 or email stmaryscreggan@derrydiocese.org.
If you have concerns regarding Safeguarding children & adults

in need of protection within the Church, please contact Marie O'Kane, the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) 07596500793 or at dlp@derrydiocese.org Additional Contact numbers -

PSNI Tel 101 or Social Services Western SHC Trust Tel 02871314090 (ask for Duty Social Worker)

Republic of Ireland: Garda Síochána, Buncrana +353749320540 or Letterkenny HQ +353749167100 TUSLA Family and child agency, buncrana +353749320420 or Letterkenny +353749123672

Parish of St Mary's Creggan



Sunday Mass
Vigil *(Saturday)* 6.30 pm
10.30 am
12.15 pm
Polish Mass **3.00 pm (every 2nd & 4th Sunday)**
Holy Day Mass as announced

Sacrament of Confession
Monday - Friday 5.00 pm - 5.30 pm
Saturday - 10.30 am
5.30 pm - 6.20 pm

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
(in the Divine Mercy Chapel)
Sunday 1.30 pm - 6 pm
Monday 10.30 am - 7 pm
Tue - Sat 10.30 am - 12 am

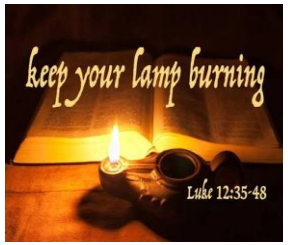
Week Day Mass
Monday-Saturday 10.00 am
Tuesday & Friday 7.30 pm

Fr. Daniel McFaul PP

Fr. Ignacy Saniuta CC

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OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday 10 am - 1 pm
Tel 02871263152 - email: www.stmaryscreggan.com

8th November 2026 **32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**



In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the ten bridesmaids, five wise and five foolish. The wise bridesmaids bring extra oil for their lamps, while the foolish ones are unprepared when the bridegroom arrives. Through this story, Jesus reminds us to **stay awake and be ready**, because we do not know when God will call us to Himself.

This Gospel encourages us to keep our faith alive each day. We prepare for the Lord not simply by waiting, but by praying, showing kindness, forgiving others and helping those in need. We cannot borrow another person's faith or leave our relationship with God until tomorrow. Each day is an opportunity to grow closer to Him and to share His love with others.
Lord Jesus, help us to keep the light of faith burning brightly in our hearts. Teach us to live each day with love, kindness and generosity, always ready to welcome You into our lives. Amen.

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Mass of Remembrance: November is a special month when we remember our dead. The families and friends who have lost loved ones during the past 12 months have been invited to come to a special Mass to remember them. The next Masses will be on **Tuesday 17th** and **Tuesday 24th** November 2026.

Annual Mass of Remembrance at St Joseph's Boys' School, Westway will take place in the school Assembly Hall on **Wednesday 11th November at 7pm**. If you would like any member of our school community remembered at the mass please contact the office on 02871262923. All welcome to attend.

Prayer for Vocations: During this month of November let us pray for the deceased priests who served our diocese and our parishes as we pray for the men who will take up their mantle in the years to come.

2027 Parish Draw: Tickets are now available to buy in the Sacristy after week-end Masses and at the Parish Office during office hours at a cost of £120 cash or by standing order, £10 per month. ***All current Standing Orders will expire at the end of December so you will need to complete a new standing order form for 2027.*** First prize £1000, 2nd prize £500 and 3rd prize £250. This would make an ideal Christmas present and at the same time you will be supporting the on-going maintenance and upkeep of our Church.

FREE 4-Week Dementia Education Programme for Family Carers
Starting Thursday 21 January 2027, 7.00pm at the Health for Life Healthy Living Centre, Creggan. **Booking essential:** eilish.brown@healthforlifenw.org | 028 7137 3870.

Recent Deaths: We offer prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of

Bernie McGowan	Glenowen Park
Thomas McBrearty	Glenfada Park

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

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Last Week's Collection : £1907 €52 Parish Development £651
Standing Orders £135. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Bank details for online donations - Account Name: St Mary's Church No 1 A/C Sort Code 90-49-74 Account No. 28301067

TROCAIRE IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS to help deliver school talks during our annual Lent Appeal during February and March 2027. We are particularly interested in hearing from people with public speaking experience, especially retired teachers or those who have worked with young people. Volunteers will visit local schools during school hours to share stories of hope, justice and solidarity from communities around the world. The role involves approximately 1-2 short talks per week during the four-month campaign period. Full training, presentation materials and ongoing support will be provided. Please contact Fionnuala McGuinness on 028 9080 8033 or fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org by the first week of December if you are interested!

ABIDE Women's Conference 20–22 November 2026: Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal, Speakers include Sarah Swafford, Danielle Noonan, Kimberlee Woo Ling, Fr Oisín Martin CFR, Fr Barry Braum, the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr David Nugent and Fr Mark Wharton, with Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin. A beautiful weekend of faith, celebration, healing and joy! Register on Eventbrite: Abide in His Love.

DERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2027, led by Bishop Michael Router: There are two options available as follows:
Option 1: 8 - 13 July, 5 nights, £980, from City of Derry Airport, with priority given to Assisted Pilgrims and family members, Care Team, Youth, Youth Leaders and Priests
Option 2: 7 - 14 July, 7 nights, £1,095, from Belfast International Airport.
Single Supplement and Travel Insurance will be extra. Expressions of Interest can be emailed to derrypilgrim@outlook.com. Bookings will begin in mid-January, with more details later. Pilgrimage Gift Vouchers of any value are available from the Pastoral Centre, Bishop Street, Derry, for anyone wishing to purchase them, particularly as a Christmas Gift. Please contact 028 7136 2475 for further information.

LIFE CHAIN - Join Precious Life on Saturday 14th November at Foyleside Shopping Centre, at 2pm. For more information, please contact **Precious Life 028 90278484 or 07592280522**