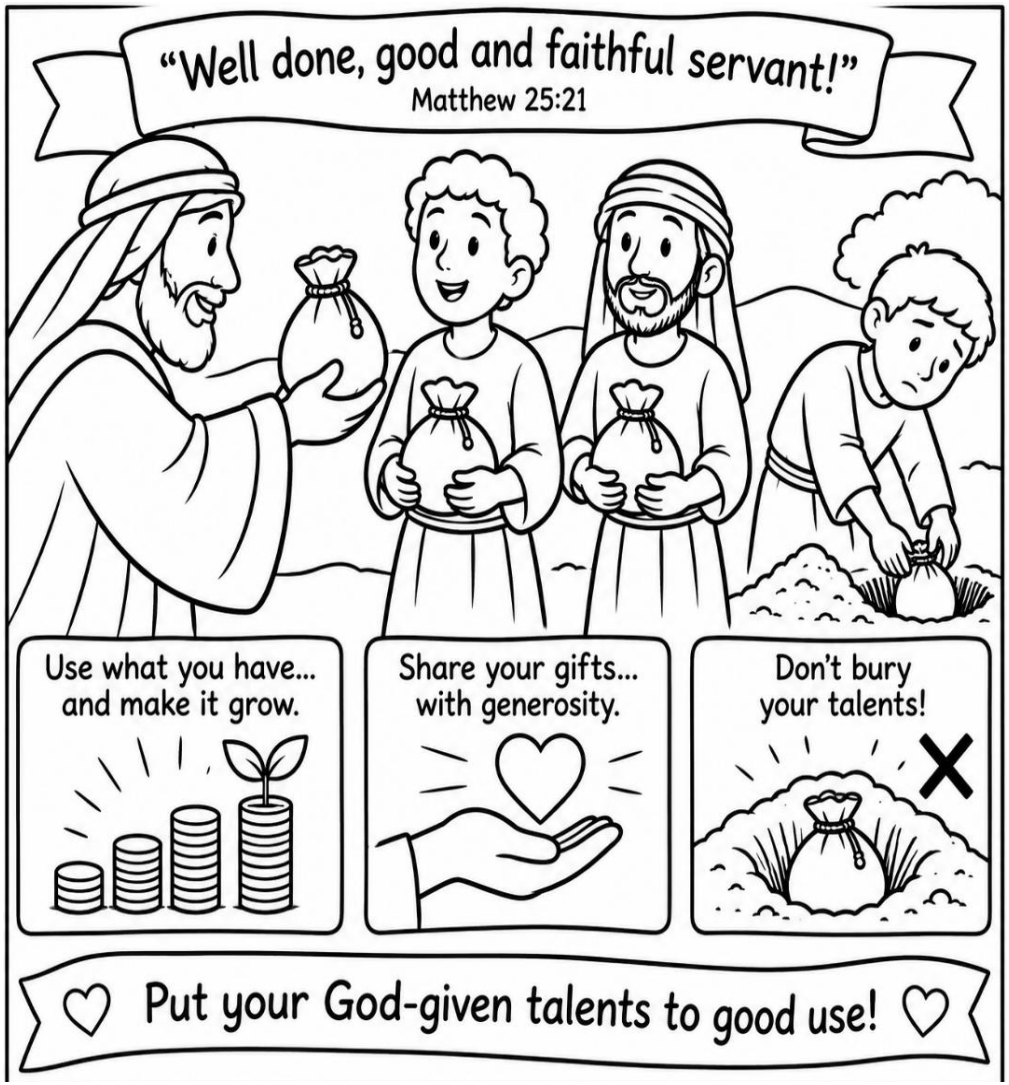


Baptisms: Saturday at 5.00pm contact the Parish Office on **71263152 10am-12 noon** Monday-Friday

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

PAROCHIAL HOUSE. 1 FANAD DRIVE, DERRY. BT48 9QE
OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday 10 am - 1 pm
Tel 02871263152 - email: www.stmaryscreggan.com

15th November 2026 **33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the talents. A master entrusts his servants with different amounts of money before going on a journey. Two of the servants use what they have been given wisely and make it grow, while the third, out of fear, buries his talent in the ground.



This parable reminds us that God has given each of us special gifts and abilities. We may not all have the same talents, but each one of us has something valuable to offer. God does not expect us to be perfect; He asks us to use what we have with faith, courage and generosity. Sometimes we can hide our talents through fear, lack of confidence or thinking that what we have to offer is not important enough. Yet even the smallest acts of kindness, a listening ear, a helping hand or a word of encouragement can make a difference in someone's life. As we approach the end of the Church year, this Gospel encourages us to reflect on how we are using the gifts God has entrusted to us. May we not bury our talents, but put them to good use in serving God and others, so that one day we may hear the words: **"Well done, good and faithful servant."**

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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.

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

Prayer for Vocations: That our seminarians, the men discerning a vocation to the diocesan priesthood, the present and future priests of our diocese will see their talents as gifts of the Holy Spirit to be used for the glory of God and the salvation of God's people.

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

John Kelly	Westway
Tony Ward	Creggan Heights
Amanda Hegarty	Crawford Square
Vivien Dorney	Swilly Gardens

May their souls experience the everlasting love and mercy of God

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Recent Baptisms: : we welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism
Darragh Jesse Bowers, Ellie Kathleen Ewart and Imogen Rose Rimmer



Last Week's Collection : £1748 €147 Parish Development £647
Standing Orders £135 . Thank you for your continued support and generosity.
The Priest Collection will be taken up at all Masses next week-end

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

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.

Catholic Marriage Encounter Weekend: St Mary's, Knock, Co Mayo: Friday 9 - Sunday 11 April 2027. This residential Weekend starts at 7.30pm on Friday and finishes at 4.30pm on Sunday, and is open to all married couples. Online booking at www.marriageencounter.ie

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Workshops February 5th/6th 2027, February 19th/20th 2027 March 19th/20th 2027 All of the above courses are now online for booking at www.accordni.com