

# Church of St. MacNissi

8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> March 2025  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 6.30am & 7.00pm  
with Lenten Reflections  
Wednesday - Friday 6.30am 9:30am

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon-Fri 10am-12noon and Tues - 5:30pm-7pm

**Recitation of the Rosary**- Thursday 6pm

**The Divine Mercy** - Friday 3pm

**The Stations of the Cross** - Friday 7pm

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 6pm and Sunday 10am

## PARISH CENTRE

Legion of Mary - Tuesday 7:30pm

Prayer Meeting - Wednesday 7:45pm

**WEB ADDRESS** To watch Mass on our Parish website please go to [www.mcn.live](http://www.mcn.live) on your web browser. Funerals/weddings can only be recorded at the specific request of the immediate family

**Pope Francis** has invited us this Lent to "journey in hope together". A short-term pledge via [www.pioneerassociation.org](http://www.pioneerassociation.org) for parishioners who wish to become a "pilgrim of hope" for people who are living under the shadow of addiction

## CONTINUOUS PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE, FAMILY LIFE & VOCATIONS

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March** A reminder to those who committed to a period of prayer. Contact Terry or Anne Marie on 9447 9239

## ANNIVERSARIES

Jane Carrick, Benjamin Merrick, John Upton, Dermott Mulholland, Briege McCudden, Seamus Devlin, Hugh & Maeve Carey, Teresa Esler, Zita Magill, Annie McKeown Rosemary, Peggy, Joe McMichael

## INTENTION

Phillip Coogan Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am

Our priests are obligated to offer **Sunday Mass** on behalf of **ALL** the people (*pro populo*) in the parish. The deceased are remembered in the Prayers of the Faithful.



## ST MACNISSI'S CHURCH GRAVE LEASING AGREEMENT

effective 21/04/2025

This leasing agreement is displayed on the notice board in the foyer of the Church. If you have any comments please contact the Parish office.

## PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTION £1450

Standing orders for month of February £5018

Thank you for your support

## TO SET UP A STANDING ORDER

please call or email the parish office to arrange.

## FEAST DAY THIS WEEK

**Tuesday** St Aengus of Laois

**CLEANING TEAM** Wc 9<sup>th</sup> March is Team 4

## MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

16/03/25 Keran McCann	John Carmody
Vincent O'Connell	Gerard McBride
Brian Fitzsimmons	Fiona McKeown

## MINISTERS OF THE WORD

09/03/25 Geraldine Ibbotson Tara McSorley

## ST PATRICKS DAY

Singers & instrumentalists  
Saturday vigil Mass choir  
welcome all those who would love to sing/play with us at Mass on St Patricks day morning. Maybe learn a 'cupla focal' also! Please phone 07734 570890 for practice details or speak to any choir member. Thank you.



## FAMILY OF PARISHES "Visio Divina - Picture your faith"

Open to all, a prayer evening welcoming everybody, wherever you are in your faith journey. Visio Divina is a beautiful evening of praying through art, history and scripture, following Christ's journey through his passion, death and resurrection. Enjoy a chat & cuppa afterwards and get to know your community.

Dates: 13th, 20th, 27th March & 3rd April

Venue: Minor Hall at St Comgall's

Time: 7:30pm - 8:30

**OFFICE MOBILE** 07734 570890

**OFFICE 028 9447 2103** MON - FRI Please

**EMAIL;** [randalstown@downandconnor.org](mailto:randalstown@downandconnor.org)

TO BOOK A BAPTISM, WEDDING, or FUNERAL & ANNIVERSARY NOTICE

**PLEASE CONTACT CANON JOHN FORSYTHE IN AN EMERGENCY ONLY.** 07834 383314

# **Trocaire** LENTEN APPEAL

Your Trocaire Lenten pack is available for collection in the church foyer.

## **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL RECRUITMENT**

Initiative - Seeking Volunteers to help establish the following teams;

Social / Bereavement / Social Media / Youth  
Please complete the Expression of Interest form or speak to a member of the Parish Pastoral Council in the main porch after the Weekend Masses. Closing Date Sunday 16th March. Your Parish Needs You!

## **ONE DAY PARISH RETREAT DRUMALIS**

**Saturday 29th March 2025**

**9:30am to 3:30pm Cost £25**

**Members of the Parish Pastoral Council are taking bookings in the main porch after the weekend masses. Payment must be made when booking. Final bookings - Sunday 23rd March.**

## **DOWN & CONNOR PILGRIMAGE TO**

**LOURDES 2025:** Celebrating the Jubilee Year and our **40th** Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage: 9/10-15th/16th July 5 & 7 Night options available. Please visit [www.downandconnor.org/lourdes](http://www.downandconnor.org/lourdes) for more information or call the Pilgrimage Office on [lourdes@downandconnor.org](mailto:lourdes@downandconnor.org) 9077 0162 or email Youth Team (9-16th July): applications now open see website for details)

## **PILGRIM HEARTS**

**Walking in the Steps of Jesus this Lent.**

, a 6-week Lenten journey inspired by the Sunday gospels and the lives of the Irish Saints who embraced faith in times of challenge. From St Patrick's prayers on the mountain to St Brigid's acts of compassion, their lives remind us that holiness is lived in simple, everyday choices. You are invited to take a leaflet and follow your Lenten journey with family and/or friends. Perhaps invite a friend, a family member or someone who perhaps has been away from Church for a while to take this journey with you. Your invitation could be the start of their pilgrimage of hope.

**COMMUNITY ADVICE Antrim and N'Abbey (Formerly Citizens Advice)** Monday from 1.30 to 4.30, in Arches. No appointment needed as this is a *drop-in* service

**LUNCHEON CLUB** on **Monday** 10<sup>th</sup> March @ 12.30 in the Parish Centre

**Monday 7.00pm**

in the Parish Centre.

New volunteers and members are welcome.

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**MAINE BOWLING CLUB** St. MacNissi's Parish Centre. All ages and abilities welcome, **Monday** nights 7.30- 9 pm £2 per person.

## **ST MACNISSI'S PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP**

Parents, minders and pre school children are welcome Tuesdays 9.30am till 11.30am to St Mac Nissi's Parish Centre



**Snowball £ 310**

This **Tuesday** 11<sup>th</sup> March

8.00pm to 9:30pm IN THE Parish Centre

**TÍR NA NÓG LOTTO Tues 04/03/2025**

**WINNING NUMBERS 1 3 12 26**

**£25 WINNERS;** S Sheerin, Noren Sloan, Quinn Denver, Jonny Graham

Next draw Tues 11/03/25 Next Jackpot £4900

## **SEACHTAIN NA GAEILGE**

Biongó/ Bingo £10 per book **Thur 13th March**  
Trad music & Céilí with stew £5 **Fri 14th March**  
Check Facebook for more details

**Kickham's GAC Wed 05/03/2025**

**WINNING LETTERS E H I S**

**£25 WINNERS** F Johnston & M Dougan

**Next draw Wed 12/03/25 Next Jackpot £3200**

Tickets are available online at

[kickhamscreggangac.com](http://kickhamscreggangac.com), from outlets in town

**FRIENDS OF BISHOP ABRAHAM** sends thanks

to everyone who supported him in prayer during his recent period of exile. During the St. Patrick's weekend he will be visiting in Randalstown and is looking forward to meeting his many old friends again.

## **ST LOUIS COLLECTION GHANA PROJECT**

thank you to all those who donated so generously towards our fundraising efforts for St Louis school volunteer project in Ghana June 2025. We raised a total of £1994.88 to donate in the future please use QR code which is directly linked to one of the crowdfunding pages.

Ciara Robinson and Sean Óg Bonnes

