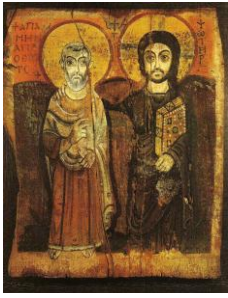
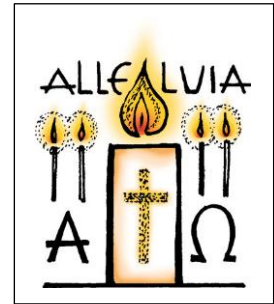


5th APRIL 2026 – EASTER DAY OF THE LORD’S RESURRECTION



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SUNDAY MASSES

St. Comgall’s 9.00am 11.00am
St. Joseph’s 5.30pm (Sat vigil) 12.00noon
St. MacNissius 10.00am

Weekday Mass

St. Comgall’s: Monday - Sat 10.00am

Mass is available to view on the Parish facebook page and youtube: Parish of Antrim

Confessions

St. Comgall’s – Sat 12 - 12.30pm
St. Joseph’s— Sat 4.45 –5.15pm

Adoration: Fri 10.30 – 12 noon St. Comgall’s followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet
Every 1st Fri. @ 6pm St. Joseph’s

Prayer Group – Every Wed 7pm in Sr. Catherine’s Room St. Comgall’s

Readings: Sunday Cycle A Easter
Sunday Weekday Cycle 2

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Risen Lord, kindle again in our hearts the fire of faith. May we be bearers of the light and joy of Easter faith to all we meet. Open our hearts, so that we can rejoice in your love for us. Lead us to newness of life by loving as we have been loved.

Thought for the Week

*Come, let us ascend the heights.
and gaze upon the waving greenness
off the plains below
O come, let us rejoice on this
Easter Day
for death has folded up his tent and
gone away.*

PRAYER PEOPLE

**Intention for Parish Community Year 13
Week 19**

We pray that all parishioners may find hope in the Resurrection to encourage them in their lives.

Offertory Collection: £3,929.00
Thank you to all who contributed.

Trocaire Boxes are available in the churches. Please take one.

Recently Deceased: Michael Massarella, Lucy May, Denis Kane, Peggy Taplin
1st Anniv; Roisin Sanderson, Bridget Carey
Anniversaries: Denis Carey Patrick Mullin, Josie Bean, Marie McGrogan, Peter Rafferty, George Hodkinson, Margaret Taggart, Mary Campbell, Jacqueline Currie, Cahal O’Hare, Hugh McCavana, Michael John Massarella,

Easter Greeting to all our Parishioners

May the joy of the Resurrection and the great hope that it brings be a source of encouragement and joy to you this Easter day.

The Parish Team

Mass Schedule Easter Week

No Mass in St. Joseph's Monday to Friday

Mass in St. Comgall's Monday – Saturday @ 10am

The Parish Office is closed from Friday 3rd to Friday 10th April.

The Alpha Course will resume next Thursday 9th April in St. Joseph's Hall.

PARISH ENVELOPES – New parish envelopes are available in the churches for collection. If you wish to have an envelope from 5th April, 2026 please contact the parish office. If you would like to set up a standing order to make your contribution please contact the Parish Office for a form. Those with standing orders in place will not receive boxes of envelopes unless requested. If you can't find your envelopes contact the parish office.

ANTRIM PARISH CLEANER YOUTH CENTRE AND MINOR HALL

A vacancy has arisen for a Cleaner, based at the Youth Centre and Minor Hall within Antrim Parish, Castle Street, Antrim, BT41 4HP.

The responsibilities will include:

Providing a reliable and efficient cleaning service to ensure the public areas of the Youth Centre and Minor Hall at St Comgall's are maintained to a high standard of cleanliness and are always welcoming to users and visitors.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment requiring 14 hours per week, work pattern to be agreed. Ability to work flexible hours will be required from time to time.

Rate of Pay - £12.71 gross per hour.

Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at:

<http://www.downandconnor.org> clicking on the tab: **JOB VACANCIES** and on the Community NI website, where terms and conditions relating to the role can also be accessed by way of a Role Profile and Employment Application form.

Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 9 April 2026

Divine Mercy Sunday: Would you like your soul to be as pure as on the day you were baptised? If the answer is yes, read on. St Pope John Paul II canonized a Polish mystic, Sister Faustina (1905 – 1938) on the Sunday after Easter in 2000 and declared that from then on, the second Sunday of Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. In a revelation to Sister Faustina (recorded in her Diary 1109) Jesus told her, 'I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to confessions and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy' (Divine Mercy Sunday). The conditions for receiving this great grace, including going to confessions, can be fulfilled by attending any of the following Churches on Divine Mercy Sunday, 12 April this year. St Peter's Cathedral @ 2pm, Mater Dei, Crumlin @ 2pm, Sacred Heart, Oldpark Rd @ 2pm and All Saints Ballymena @ 3pm.

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Priest: With exultation and joy we proclaim that Christ is Risen, and that through him we can now offer our prayers to the Father

For the Church: that the joy of the Resurrection may fill the hearts of all believers with courage as they witness to the Gospel of hope and love in our world.

Let us pray to the Lord

For nations in turmoil: that God will break the cycles of violence and discord, end acts of revenge, protect the innocent, and raise leaders who will establish peace and justice in the world.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For those who are searching for truth: May they find in the empty tomb the meaning of all things renewed in Christ.

Let us pray to the Lord

That the light of the Risen Christ may shine upon the poor, the afflicted, the hungry, the homeless, and the unborn.

Let us pray to the Lord

For the healing of hearts and relationships: that the Risen Lord will open the path to reconciliation and healing among families, communities, and nations.

Let us pray to the Lord

For the faithful departed: We pray especially for...

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1st Anniv; Roisin Sanderson, Bridget Carey Denis Carey

All those named in the bulletin.

may they share in the fullness of life in the Risen Lord.

Let us pray to the Lord

Priest Heavenly Father, increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, helping us to grow as your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Holy Saturday Prayer of the Faithful

Priest: Let us pray to our Redeemer, who suffered for us, was buried, and rose from the dead, asking him to grant us his peace as we await the joy of Easter.

For the Church: renewed by the Easter mysteries, Christ's faithful may shine as lights in the world, bringing the hope and joy of the Risen Christ to humanity.

Let us pray to the Lord

For renewed hope: that the Risen Lord will turn hearts away from war, heal the wounds of division, and bless our world with his peace.

Let us pray to the Lord

As God brought all things into being and found them 'very good', we pray that we may receive the grace to respect and care for God's creation.

Let us pray to the Lord

For those who have been baptised this Holy Saturday, that as they were buried with Christ in baptism, they will rise with him to new life.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For all who travel on our roads: may they exercise patience, a duty of care, and a spirit of courtesy so all will reach their destinations in safety.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For young people: that they may grow in their love for God, trust in His steadfast presence in their lives, and find joy and purpose in their faith.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For those who have died: that our brothers and sisters, who were buried with Christ in death, may share in the victory of his resurrection.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Priest: God our Father, you have brought us to this joyful night through the resurrection of your Son. Grant the prayers of your Church, that we may rejoice in the new life you have given us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

