

St Joseph's Carrickmacross St Michael's Corduff St John's Raferagh

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#### Weekly Reflection.

#### 'Jesus, remember me.'

Palm Sunday begins the most sacred time of the church year. In this holy week we are reminded once again of the forgiveness which Jesus offers to anyone who confesses their sin. He prays for Peter, his chosen successor who shortly after pronouncing absolute loyalty then denies him, he forgives the soldiers who abuse and crucify him for 'they know not what they do, and above all he offers paradise to the thief crucified with him who asked Jesus to remember him when he came into the kingdom.

We can be stubborn and headstrong on occasions when we trust only in ourselves and persist even when we are on the wrong path. Alternatively, we can acknowledge our sins and can ask God for help and be humble like the good thief and simply say, 'Jesus remember me.'

The Penance Service on Palm Sunday gives us the perfect launch pad for the week. As we begin to recognise the depth of God's love, we become faithful rather than fickle followers.

Fr. Shane.

Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> April.	11.00am.	1st AM. Michael Marron, Trostan, Dundalk Road.		
Saturday	6.00pm.	Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday.		
12 <sup>th</sup> April.		1 <sup>st</sup> AM. Jim McConnon, Rossdreenagh.		
-		1 <sup>st</sup> AM. Joan Corr, Dromiskin, Co Louth & Bridge Street,		
		Carrickmacross.		
		AM. Margaret & Joe Gillen, Ardross Avenue.		
		AM. Paddy & Verney McCabe, late of Nafferty & Parnell Street.		
		AM. John, Bridget & Rose Carragher & Deceased Members of the		
		Carragher Family, Carragartha, Corduff.		
		AM. Ryan Joseph Gartlan, 19, St Macartan's Villas.  AM. Mary & Willie Lynch, Lisanisk & Deceased Members of the		
		Kelly Family, Lisanisk.		
Sunday	9.30am.	Mass of Palm Sunday.		
13 <sup>th</sup> April.		AM. Mae & Paddy Flanagan, Ardross Avenue & deceased members		
-		of the Brennan & Flanagan families.		
Sunday	12Noon.	Mass of Palm Sunday.		
13 <sup>th</sup> April.		1st AM. Teresa Murnaghan, "Hill Crest", Mullinary.		
		<b>AM.</b> Irene & Oliver O'Rourke & deceased members of the O'Rourke		
Cundov	F 00mm	& Heeran families.		
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> April.	5.00pm.	Easter Confessions - Penitential Service.		
Monday	7.15am.	Mass For Lent.		
14 <sup>th</sup> April. 10.00am.		Mass for Lent.		
Tuesday	7.15am.	Mass for Lent.		
15 <sup>th</sup> April.	10.00am.	1 <sup>st</sup> AM. Sr. Sheila Finnegan, St. Louis Convent.		
Wednesday	7.15am.	AM. Pat & Alice McEntee, their daughters Kitty & Susan McEntee &		
16 <sup>th</sup> April.		deceased members of the McEntee & Charters family,		
		Ardee Road.		
	10.00am.	Mass for Lent.		
Holy Thursday	11.00am.	Chrism Mass in St Macartan's Cathedral.		
17 <sup>th</sup> April.	7.30pm.	Mass of The Lord's Supper, ending with the transfer of the		
		Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose, concluding with		
Good Friday	3 00nm	Night Prayer at 10pm.  Celebration of The Lord's Passion.		
18 <sup>th</sup> April.	3.00pm.	Celebration of The Lord's Passion.  Celebration of The Lord's Passion.		
-	6.00pm.			
Holy Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> April.	9.00pm.	The Easter Vigil.		
Easter Sunday	9.30am.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.		
20 <sup>th</sup> April.		AM. Gerry Beggan, Magheross.		
Easter Sunday	12Noon.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.		
20 <sup>th</sup> April.		Month's Memory: Bernadette Slevin Lisgall & remembering her		
		husband Gerard & their son Carl,		
		AM. Deceased members of the Slevin & Caulfield Families &		
		baby Cian.  AM Malachy Royle, Cartloblayney Road & decased members of the		
		<b>AM.</b> Malachy Boyle, Castleblayney Road & deceased members of the Boyle, Donaghy & Finnegan Families.		
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#### **Recently Deceased.**

**Anne Farrelly**, Tullybrick, Shercock.

**Pierce Kerr,** New York, formerly Cortaghard, Latton.

Lizzie Hand, Drumbracken, Magheracloone.

Owen Roe O'Neill, Dublin & formerly Donaghmoyne Road.

# Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh. Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Corduff. 11.00am.	Mass of Palm Sunday.  AM. Lorraine Mullan, Mullaghcroghrey.  AM. Peter (Pete) Burns & deceased members of the Burns family, Coraghy.  AM. Tom McNally, Greagh, his parents Annie & Patrick, his brothers Peter, Brian & Pat, baby Charlie & deceased
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April.	Corduff. 7.30pm.	members of the McNally Family.  Mass For Lent.
Good Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April.	Corduff. 7.30pm.	Celebration of The Lord's Passion.
Easter Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> April.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.  AM. Eugene & Rose Cooney & deceased members of the Cooney & Marron families, Cargahogue.  AM. Brian, Paul, Teresa, Laurence & Eamon O'Connor & deceased members of the O'Connor Family, Lisdrumturk.

Easter Confessions in St Joseph's Church on this Palm Sunday evening April 13th at 5.00pm.

<u>Blessed Sacrament Chapel</u>: will be closed <u>Holy Thursday</u> to <u>Easter Sunday</u> inclusive and opened again on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April at 9.00am.

**Faith and Light fiesta** today Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> April in Steadfast Day Service 3pm. All are welcome.

#### St Joseph's Triduum.

The St Joseph's Triduum (3 days of prayer) in honour of St Joseph the Worker (Feast Day, May 1st) will take place in St Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross from Tuesday 29th April to Thursday 1st May.

Masses on Tuesday 29th April, Wednesday 30th April and Thursday 1st May at 10.00am. Evening Masses on Tuesday 29th April & Thursday 1st May 7.30pm. A Eucharistic Service of Healing will be celebrated on Wednesday 30th April at 7.30pm. Prayer Petitions: place your written petitions in the petition box located at the front of the church beside St Joseph's Altar. St Joseph candles will be on sale at weekend Masses, €2.50 each, and may be left in the church to burn for your intentions during the three-day Triduum. Fr Robert McCabe will lead the Novena this year. He is from St Mary's Parish Navan. He worked at Lough Derg as part of the team during the Three-day Pilgrimage Season for many years. He was also Chaplain to the Defence Forces. Fr Robert is presently the Central Spiritual Director of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association. We look forward to welcoming Fr Robert to our parish.

#### St. Joseph's Cemetery Update - April 2025.

Just a note to update parishioners regarding ongoing activity and proposed new improvement projects planned for St. Joseph's Cemetery, Carrickmacross. Grass cutting, strimming and general maintenance is ongoing, and are at a more advanced stage this year than in previous years, thanks to our Cemetery Workers and the recent spell of good weather. The Cemetery Committee is currently working on a three-year plan to improve the older part of our Cemetery. This plan will include replacing the footpaths which are quite dilapidated, installing a number of multi-directional floodlighting standards and restoration of the Calvary monument. Needless to say, this work will incur significant cost, and the Cemetery Committee are also looking at fund raising options to cover this cost.

**Annual Cemetery Church Gate Collection** will take place before the Vigil Mass on Sat 26<sup>th</sup> April '25 and before the 9.30am and 12noon Masses on Sun 27<sup>th</sup> April '25. We ask that you please give generously to this worthwhile cause, as we continue to enhance the resting place of those nearest and dearest to ourselves. Sincerely, Cemetery Committee.

### **Holy Week 2025 – Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday.** Palm Sunday April 13th 2025.

St Joseph's.	Sat. 6.00pm.	Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday.
St Joseph's.	9.30am.	Mass of Palm Sunday.
St Michael's, Corduff.	11.00am.	Mass of Palm Sunday.
St Joseph's.	12Noon.	Mass of Palm Sunday.

St Joseph's Church.	5.00pm.	Penitential Service	/ Confessions.

Palm will be blessed at each of the Masses, with parishioners bringing their own Palm.

Monday to Wednesday of Holy Week – Mass in St. Joseph's at 7.15am & 10am & Corduff on Wednesday at 7.30pm.

### **Holy Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup> 2025.**

St. Macartan's Cathedral.		11.00am.	The Chrism Mass.	
St Joseph's.		Mass of The Lord's Supper, ending with the transfer of the		
		Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose, concluding with		
		<b>Night Prayer at</b>	10pm.	

Trócaire Boxes / Envelopes will be part of the Offertory at the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday.

### Good Friday April 18th 2025.

St Joseph's.	3.00pm.	Celebration of The Lord's Passion.
St Joseph's.	6.00pm.	Celebration of The Lord's Passion.
-	-	(Please note change of time from previous years).
St Michael's Corduff.	7.30pm.	Celebration of The Lord's Passion.

## Holy Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup> 2025.

St Joseph's.	9.00pm.	The Easter Vigil.
		(Please note – No 6pm evening Mass).

### Easter Sunday April 20th 2025.

St Joseph's.	9.30am.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.
St John's, Raferagh.	11.00am.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.
St Joseph's.	12.Noon.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.

**<u>Trócaire Lenten Campaign</u>**: Deadly storms and droughts. Entire harvests lost. Livelihoods and education opportunities, gone. One in every two children under the age of five, malnourished. Right now, in Guatemala, hardworking families like Ilma and Julio's (photographed on the Trócaire Boxes) are being pushed further into poverty by the relentless effects of climate change. Ilma and Julio must choose between school fees that offer hope for tomorrow, and food for their little ones. There is not enough for both anymore. But with your gift now to help Ilma and Julio's family this Lent, you can stand beside their family. To help tackle climate injustice. To rush relief after climate crises and get families back on their feet. To help them train in new, climate-resilient farming techniques, with seeds and tools that restore soils and protect harvests. To help them send their children to school, bring weather-mapping techniques to their community, and build the kind of just, sustainable future that should belong to us all.

Please give generously for Ilma and Julio's family, and future, this Lent: