

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 16th June 2024.

A copy of this weekend's readings are available in the church. (Beside Newsletter)

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Weekly Reflection.

"Growing the Faith"

If you travel along any of the main roads in our country these days, you will probably come across signs for "Strawberries from Wexford" for sale. Strawberries are a seasonal fruit in Ireland, with some areas, notably the sunny southeast, having the best conditions for a successful crop.

Some years ago, we tried growing them at St. Macartan's College and while our crop of strawberries was extremely poor initially, we were amazed at how quickly the plant could spread. The plants grow a series of runners on which the fruit grows, and each runner in time as it trails the ground puts down roots and becomes a new plant. In a short number of years, the strawberries had taken over the gardens.

The Catholic faith can have a similar growth. The fruits of our lives – forgiveness, peace, care and love, are received from our parents and grandparents and then in time we allow the faith to spread and develop in the next generation and in the community, as we hand on our values and our beliefs, and our young people put down roots for themselves. While some families may have better conditions in which to grow, all of us can enable the spread of faith to happen.

Fr Shane.

Sat 15 th June.	11.00am.	Remembrance Mass. The Deceased Members of Faith & Light.
Saturday	6.00pm.	Months Memory: Michael Goss, 116 Cloughvalley.
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		St Macartan's Villas.
		AM. Bernadette McCartney, Farney Street.
		AM. Eilish Boylan, 19 Cloughvalley.
		AM. Packie & Bridgie, Cunningham Bridge Street.
Sunday	9.30am.	AM. Patrick, Bridget, Joseph & Ann Kiernan & John Clinton, Lurgans,
16 th June.		Bernard & Mary Doherty & Margaret Rouse, Castleblayney.
		AM. Peter Burns & Benny Dunne & Deceased Members of the Burns
		& Dunne Families, Lisdoonan.
Consideration	400	AM. Tom & Madge Cassidy, Carrickmaclim.
Sunday	12Noon.	AM. Mary & Gerry O'Reilly, Lisgall, & Deceased Members of the
16 th June.		McKeown Family, Drumbroagh & Ward Family, Leggimore.
		AM. Sean Woods, & Deceased Members of the Woods Family, 3 St Joseph's Terrace.
		AM. Barney & Annie Shevlin, Main Street, & Deceased Family
		Members.
Mon 17 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Tues 18 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Wed 19 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thurs 20 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
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Recently Deceased: Catherine Scully, Meadowland Mullinary,

Clare Mulligan, (nee McNally) Cootehill & late of Magheraboy Road.

Noeleen Finnegan, Doohamlet. Mary Mitchel (nee Kelleher) Dublin.

Planned Giving Envelopes for 2024/2025.

The new year (2024/2025) planned giving Envelopes are now ready and can be collected from the Sacristy. We would appreciate as much help with the distribution of Envelopes in the Community as possible. If you feel you could help with distribution, please call to the Sacristy, and speak with Martin and Breda, after the daily or weekend Masses. The new envelopes will commence the First Sunday of July. We are distributing an Enduring Certificate Form to enable a tax rebate for the parish, with your box of envelopes. You may wish to sign and return the form to the parish office, so that we may claim a rebate from Revenue. We thank you for your continued support to our Parish.

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

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Sunday 16 th June.	Raferagh 11.00am.	Sunday Mass.
Wed 19 th June	Corduff	No Mass.
Sunday 23 rd June.	Corduff 11.00am.	AM. Peter & Mary Ward, Lisnafeddly.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

Will take place *each Wednesday evening* in Corduff/Raferagh 5pm until Mass at 7:30pm.



Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Josephs.)

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel opening hours are as follows.

Monday: 9am. - 10am. Tuesday: 9am. - 7pm. Wednesday: 9am.-10am.

Thursday: 8am. - 10am. Friday: 8am. - 10am.

Saturday 10am. - 11am. and 5pm. - 6pm. Sunday 1pm. - 6pm.

Rosary In St Joseph's Church: Monday – Friday at 6.30pm.

A HUGE THANKS from **Faith and Light** to Deery's Lounge for hosting a coffee morning on Thursday 6th June in aid of our **Lourdes '25 Fund**. Thanks to all of you who came along and made donations, and to the local businesses who sponsored raffle prizes. The event raised €1040. A special thanks also to The Greenmount Restaurant for an additional very generous donation.

'<u>Day for Life'</u>: a dedicated day celebrating the beauty and dignity of all human life.

<u>Day for Life Sunday</u> is celebrated annually with a special message by the Catholic Church across Ireland, Scotland, England, and Wales. It is a day specifically dedicated to raising awareness and reflecting on the deep value and meaning of human life at every stage, and in every condition. **On Sunday 16 June,** the Church will mark Day for Life 2024 with a message on the theme: *The Lord is my shepherd - Compassion and Hope at the End of Life.* The Day for Life message is available on https://councilforlife.ie/day-for-life-2024/

Lough Derg Three-Day Pilgrimage: continues until August 15th. More details can be found at **www.loughderg.ie**, booking essential.

<u>Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes</u>: **5-10 July 2024** Led by Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher.. Pre-pilgrimage meetings for those travelling will take place as follows: Tuesday 25th June in Four Seasons Hotel, Monaghan at 8pm & Thursday, 27th June in St Ronan's Parish Centre, Lisnaskea at 8pm. Travel Packs will be distributed at the end of the meetings.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: will take place on Wednesday 7th August 2024 and will be led by Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher. Families and parish or prayer / community groups are welcome to make the journey and to gather in Knock. Times to be confirmed. Parishes or groups of parishes are encouraged to arrange transport, should the demand exist.

Summer Camp opportunity for 6th Class Pupils: Clogher don Óige - the youth ministry office for the Diocese of Clogher - will be holding its new "Carlo Camp" in the parish this summer, Wednesday 17th - Friday 19th July, from 10am to 3pm each day. €15 per young person. Fun and games, faith activities, arts, and crafts - Carlo Camp activities will allow young people to remember the importance of their Confirmation, to grow, develop, and look forward to the new life chapter of moving to secondary school in September. For more information and to book a place visit: www.clogherdonoige.org/carlocamp

<u>Corduff Raferagh Lourdes Committee</u>: will host a Coffee morning on **Thursday 20th June** in the Mountain Dew Lounge Corduff from 9am to 1pm. Plenty of homemade goodies and a raffle on the day. Your support would be appreciated.

<u>Tea/Coffee Morning</u>: in aid of Carrick Cancer Society on Sunday **30th June 2024** 10am-1pm at Jacinta McCabe's house, Fartagorman, Corduff, A81X043. Your support is greatly appreciated.

<u>Concert in aid of Ardee and District Cancer Support</u>: in Ardee Parish Centre on the 27th of June. Gerry Guthrie supported by Ray Murtagh and Joe Mc Shane and his son Declan. Doors open at 7 pm show starts at 8 pm. Please support.

The Alzheimer Society AGM: meeting will take place in the Mteck 1 building, Knockagonny, Armagh Rd Monaghan H18P5P7 Monday 17th June 7pm.

Aughnamullen Vintage Run: takes place on Sunday 30th June 2024 from Aughnamullen Social Centre A75CY82. Registration from 11:30am. Run takes place at 1:30pm. €20 per vintage vehicle. Strictly vintage vehicles only - PRE 1999. Please support as all proceeds in aid of Ballybay First Responders and Cu Chulainn Blood Bikes. Refreshments served.

Car Parking at St. Joseph's Church: As you may already be aware, we have recently carried out a major refurbishment of our main Church carpark, located adjacent to the Catholic Hall. Trees and shrubs were pruned, debris was removed, and the entire carpark was power washed. Instead of being dark and dirty, this carpark is now clean and bright. We now respectfully ask that as many people as possible use this carpark when attending St. Joseph's Church and leave the limited number of parking spaces available in the front courtyard of the Church for those who require wheelchairs or other assistance accessing the Church. We would greatly appreciate your support in this matter – Many thanks in advance.

<u>Cemetery Sunday – The Blessing of the Graves</u>.

St Joseph's Cemetery: Sunday 7th July (Directly after 12 Noon. Mass.)
St John's Raferagh: Sunday 14th July (Directly after 11am. Mass.)
St Michael's Corduff: Sunday 21st July (Directly after 11am. Mass.)

(Please bring Holy Water)

St. Joseph's Cemetery - June 2024 Update.

We are delighted to report that the Cemetery Map Display Board has finally been erected in our Cemetery. It is located along the main driveway within the Cemetery, adjacent to the St. Louis Sisters burial plots. This Display Board contains a map of the Cemetery and is divided into three sections; A, B & C. Those interred in the Cemetery are listed in alphabetical order by section, with the following details included; Surname, First Name, Address, Month of Death, Year of Death, Age at Death & Plot Number. The details on this Display Board are based exclusively on the physical survey of the Cemetery carried out by Irish Graveyard Surveyors in May 2023. Going forward, new internments will be uploaded to the website; www.Irishgraveyards.ie every three months, while the 'Display Board' will be updated every three years.

The Calvary gates have been removed, restored, repainted and have been reinstated in their original location – work on restoring the remaining sections of railing along the Dundalk Road will continue in phases across the remainder of 2024 & 2025.

General upkeep work in the Cemetery continues at pace with grass cutting, strimming, weeding, and cleaning of paths ongoing. We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with the weeding & tidying of graves, where unfortunately there may be no surviving family members to look after them – indeed we would also encourage parishioners to look in on neighbouring plots adjacent to their own, where again there may be no surviving family members, and to tidy up as appropriate. As mentioned earlier, we are seeking volunteers to assist with general tidying duties in our Cemetery. Our plan is to earmark a number of Saturday mornings across June for this purpose. The dates and times will be:

- Sat 22nd June '24 from 10.00am to 2.00pm
- Sat 29th June '24 from 10.00am to 2.00pm

If you feel you can support, please come along on any of the above Saturdays, we would really appreciate any help or support you can offer.

Signed, Cemetery Committee.