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

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Weekly Reflection.

Being a blessed and graced presence!

Today's Gospel reading is very appropriate for this time of year. It is the familiar story of Mary visiting her cousin Elizabeth. One young woman with child takes the initiative to visit her older relative who is also expecting a child. St Luke's description of this meeting suggest that both women were greatly blessed by their coming together. Each woman was a source of blessing for the other.

Perhaps this gospel scene can help to remind us that it is our presence to each other that is important at this time of year, rather than any presents we might purchase. Living Christmas well is about being present to others in ways that leave them blessed and graced. The Lord can work powerfully through each of us to bless and grace others.

We tend to associate the giving of blessings with priests. Yet, because of our Baptism, we are all called to be a source of blessing for others, to be channels of the Lord's blessing to one another. We do that by the quality of our presence, by our attentive, loving, accepting, affirming, caring presence. As Mary and Elizabeth were a source of blessing for the other, we too can be a source of blessing for others by the way we are present to them over the coming days of Christmas. The Christ-child blessing all of us as we journey onwards from here.

Fr. Owen Joe.

Saturday 21 st December.	11.00am.	 AM. Richard & Mary Callan, & Mary Cosgrove, Drumgowna. AM. Thomas Boyle, Carrick View. AM. Marion Marron, (nee Coleman) Magheraboy Road, her daughter Ellen & her Mother Bridie. 		
		AM. Joe & Anne Meegan, Tullynaskeagh, remembering their Daughter Miriam & her Aunt Vera. AM. James Brady, Bailieborough.		
Saturday	6.00pm.	AM. Patsy & Jacinta Crosby, "The Glen," Donaghmoyne Road.		
21st December.		AM. Martin Walsh & his parents Peter & Bridget, Cloughvalley. AM. Kathleen Keenan, her husband Ned, her daughter Noeleen		
		Keenan & Grandson Francis, 33 St Macartan's Villas.		
		AM. Patsy Malone, Drumbroagh & Watford, England.		
Sunday 22 nd December.	9.30am.	AM. Julia & Patrick Ward, Parnell Street. AM. Joe McNally, Creevy Swinburne.		
Sunday	12Noon.	AM. Laura & Linda Crossan, Greaghdrumitt.		
22 nd December.		AM. O'Gorman & O'Brien Families, Dundalk Road.		
		AM. Martin Donnelly, & Deceased Members of the Donnelly Family,		
		6 Castleblayney Road.		
		AM. The Fealy Family, Coolfore, the Keenan Family, Inniskeen, & the Lawless Family, Navan.		
		AM. Eileen & Kevin O'Brien, Mullinary.		
	5.00pm.	Penitential Service.		
Monday	10.00am.	AM. Remembrance Mass. Regina & Tommy McKenna & Deceased		
23 rd December.		Members of the McKenna Family, Corcuillogue, & AM. Patrick Breen.		
Tuesday	6.00pm.			
24 th December. Christmas Eve	9.00pm.		Christmas Eve Vigil Masses.	
Wednesday 25 th December.	9.30am. 12Noon.		Christmas Day Masses.	
Christmas Day Thursday	10.00am.			
26 th December.	To.ooaiii.	Feast of St Stephen. AM. Bridie Morris, her Husband John, 50 St Macartan's Villas.		
Fri 27 th Dec.	10.00am.	AM. Francis Noel Duffy, Shercock Road.		
Sat 28 th Dec.	11.00am.	Morning Mass.		
Saturday	6.00pm.	1st AM. Owen Shields, 40 Cloughvalley.		
28 th December.		AM. Joe, Bridie, Paula, Peter & John Shevlin, Farney Street.		
		AM. Peter & Mary Malone Drumbroagh, & Deceased Family		
		Members.		
		AM. Phil, Katie & Paddy Callan, Cornasassanagh, & Deceased Family Members.		
Sunday29th Dec.	9.30am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.		
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Sunday29 th Dec.	12Noon.	1 st AM. Sheila	Drury, Ardross, Carrickmacross.	

Recently Deceased: Mary McKenna, Derrygorry, Emyvale (Clara), mother of Fr John F. McKenna
CC, Scotshouse.
Michael Walshe, Lisnagrieve, Annyalla, father of Canon Adrian Walshe, P.P.
Castleblayney, Clontibret and Aughnamullen East.
Sr. Christine Colbert, St Louis Convent.
Eamonn Woods, Terenure, & Carrickmacross.
Margaret Burns – Coll (nee Winters) Cordoagh, Kingscourt.
Laurence Markey, Westlothian, Scotland, formerly Emmett Street.
Margaret Reilly (nee Jones) Mohill, Co Leitrim and formerly Main Street.

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

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Sunday 22 nd December.	Corduff. 11.00am.	AM. Ann Finnegan, Lisnafeddly, & her Son Brendan, Amsterdam. AM. Pat & Rose Marron, their Sons Noel & Philip, Corbane.		
Tuesday 24 th December. Christmas Eve	Raferagh. 8.00pm.		Christmas Eve Vigil Mass.	
Wednesday 25 th December. Christmas Day	Corduff. 11.00am		Christmas Day Mass.	
Sunday 29 th December.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	AM. Peter Brennan & Deceased Members of the Brennan Family, Carrickahogue.		



Today is the fourth Sunday Advent and we light the final purple candle to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our Savior. This final candle, the "Angel's Candle," symbolizes peace.

Advent Wreath Prayer: "Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen."

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

Will take place *each <u>Wednesday evening</u>* in Corduff/Raferagh 5pm - 7:30pm.

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



Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Josephs.)

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel opening hours are as follows.

Monday: 9am. - 10am. <u>Tuesday</u>: 9am. - 7pm. <u>Wednesday</u>: 9am.10am. <u>Thursday</u>: 8am. - 10am. <u>Friday</u>: 8am. - 10am.

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

Advent Penitential Service: in St Joseph's Church with Individual Confessions today Sunday 22nd December at 5pm: You are encouraged to come and meet the Lord in the great healing Sacrament he gives us. We will have a number of neighbouring priests. Please come along.

<u>Children's Church Choir</u>: will be singing Christmas Carols on Christmas Eve from 5.15pm to 6.00pm.

<u>Carrickmacross Emmets 43rd Christmas Day Swim</u>: Christmas Day at 12.30pm. Sharp, at Creevy Lake.

South Monaghan Pioneers: Take the edge out of Christmas, take the PLEDGE.

Christmas Cards of St Joseph's Church Crib for sale in the Parish Office €5 for 6 Cards.

Mass Cards, Mass Bouquets and Christmas Bouquets: signed by the Priests of the Parish are available in the Parish Office cost €15.00 (this includes price of card). All Mass Intentions are celebrated individually.



Jubilee Year of Hope 2025 – Resources now available

Pope Francis has declared 2025 to be a Holy or Jubilee Year. A Jubilee Year is one set aside by the Church as a time of special grace, to encourage us all to embark on pilgrimages, to repent for our sins, to forgive and be reconciled with one another and to renew the spiritual life. The theme for this forthcoming Holy Year will be "Pilgrims of Hope", thus bringing to the fore the journey of life that we are all

on and our need to be people of hope, a hope rooted in the person of Jesus Christ. The Holy Year will begin on Christmas Eve when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door at St Peter's in Rome. Locally, it will be opened in our Diocese on Sunday 29 December — Feast of the Holy Family — when Bishop Larry will be Chief Celebrant of the 12.30pm Mass in St Macartan's Cathedral, Monaghan. Some online resources for the Jubilee Year are now available on www.clogherdiocese.ie/jubilee2025.

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Christmas Schedule 2024.

Penitential Service.

Sunday 22nd December at 5.00pm. in St Joseph's. Confessions Monday: 23rd December in St Joseph's after 10.00am Morning Mass.

Christmas Eve Masses.

6.00pm. & 9.00pm. – St Joseph's Carrickmacross, 8.00pm. – St John The Evangelist Raferagh.

Christmas Day Masses.

9.30am. & 12 Noon - St Joseph's Carrickmacross 11.00am - St Michael's Corduff.

Weekday Mass St Joseph's.

Thursday 26th Dec & Friday 27th Dec at 10.00am. Saturday 28th Dec at 11.00am.

New Years Day Masses.

Wednesday January 1st 10.00am. & 7.30pm. St Joseph's, Carrickmacross.

The Feast of the Epiphany Monday 6th January 2025.

Masses at 10.00am. & 7.30pm. in St Joseph's.

Please Note: The Gates to the Church Car Park & gates to the Holy Family Hall, will be <u>closed</u> on St Stephen's Day 26th December from 1pm-5pm.

On behalf of Mgr. Shane, Canon Owen Joe & Fr Vitus and the Parish Team, may we wish all our Parishioners, a peaceful Christmas and a New Year filled with Many Blessings.