

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 23rd June 2024.

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

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St Vincent De Paul: Contact- Free Phone 1800677777.

Weekly Reflection.

'Do you not care?'

Over the last twenty or thirty years the Catholic Church worldwide and in particular in our own country has experienced enormous challenges. The Church is often described as being like a boat, and the imagery of the storm in the Gospel today is a good depiction of what has threatened our faith over these times. The abuse scandal has caused enormous damage to the institution of the Church but has also done horrendous damage to the lives of the individuals who were the victims, and to their families.

The frightened cry of the disciples to Jesus 'Do you not care?' as their little boat was swamped and threatened, could easily have been on the lips of those whose innocent lives were wrecked by the paedophiles. The response of Jesus to the disciples then is His response to all who have been hurt and all whose lives have been blighted. 'I am with you, and I will calm the storm and bring you peace and rest.'

The Good News is that Jesus always cares, even when His Church has failed.

Fr Shane.

Sat 22 nd June.	11.00am.	-, , - 5,		
		Family, & Barney & Bridget McCabe, Lossetts.		
Saturday	6.00pm.	1 st AM. Eileen McDonald, Dundalk & Carrickmacross.		
22 nd June.		AM. Teresa McCarthy, Remembering her Husband Jim, & Deceased		
		Family Members.		
		AM. Eamon Treacy, Carrickmacross & Limerick.		
		AM. Joey Gartlan, Cuchullain Terrace, & Deceased Members of the		
		Gartlan, McEnaney & O'Connor Families.		
Sun 23 rd June.	9.30am.	Sunday Mass.		
Sunday	12Noon.	AM. Joan Gallagher, Tullynaskeagh.		
23 rd June.		AM. Kathleen Smith, 35 Highfield & Remembering her Son Philip.		
Mon 24 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.		
Tues 25 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.		
Wed 26 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.		
Thurs 27 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.		
Friday	10.00am.	AM. Peter Coyle & Deceased Members of the Coyle & Dowd		
28 th June.		Families.		
Fri 28 th June.	7.30pm.	No Mass.		
Sat 29 th June.	11.00am.	AM. Molly Farrelly, Pearse Avenue, her Husband James, her Sisters Ali, Brigid & Teasie, her Brothers Peter, James, Patrick & Deceased Members of the McConnon, Farrelly, & McEneaney Families.		
Saturday	6.00pm.	AM. Eilish Swinburne, 3 Ballybay Road.		
29 th June.		AM. Barney Malone Bridge Street.		
Sun 30 th June.	9.30am.	1 st AM. Frances (Frankie) Patton, Coolfore, Carrickmacross.		
Sunday 30 th June.	12Noon.	 1st AM. Martin McConnon, Corcrin. 1st AM. Colm Byrne, 29 Inver Park. AM. Jim & Elizabeth Doherty, Nafferty their Son Peter & their Grand-Daughter Eibhlin Doherty, Louth Village. AM. Eugene, Kathleen, Pat, & Philip Traynor, St Macartan's Villas, AM. Eamonn & Margaret Fox, Nafferty. AM. Frank Hughes, St Macartan's Villas. 		

Recently Deceased: Mary Callan, Castlen West, Lisdoonan. David Driscoll, Sudbury England. Julia Mooney (nee Hickey) Rouskey Drumcondrath 4.

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.

<u>Cemetery Sunday – The Blessing of the Graves.</u>				
St Joseph's Cemetery:	Sunday 7 th July	(Directly after 12 Noon. Mass.)		
St John's Raferagh:	Sunday 14 th July	(Directly after 11am. Mass.)		
St Michael's Corduff:	Sunday 21 st July	(Directly after 11am. Mass.)		
(Please bring Holy Water)				

<u>Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.</u> Sunday at 11am (alternating) Live streaming is now available to be viewed Via Should you have any difficulty accessing the live streaming please contact via email directly to Support@churchservices.tv

Sunday 23 rd June.	Corduff 11.00am.	AM. Peter & Mary Ward, Lisnafeddly.
Wed 19 th June	Raferagh	No Mass.
Sunday 30 th June.	Raferagh 11.00am.	AM. Mary & John Breslin, Glasgow.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

Will take place *each <u>Wednesday evening</u>* 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.

<u>Rosary In St Joseph's Church</u>: Monday – Friday at 6.30pm.

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

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 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.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage 2024: will be celebrated on Sunday 28th July 2024 at Knock Shrine. Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, Papal Nuncio of Ireland, will lead the pilgrimage. There will be Anointing of the Sick in the Basilica at 2.30pm. Pilgrimage Mass at 3pm followed by the Rosary Procession. Please see posters for further information.

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

Mary's Meals: Fr Eamonn Kelly, Parish Priest of Raphoe, together with Mary's Meals, **are** now launching Step by Step to Feed the Next Child 2024. They have in the past walked to Knock Shrine to raise awareness of, and funds for, Mary's Meals. We have walks originating in Malin (Donegal), Thurles, Cavan, the Spire (Dublin), Kilkenny, Longford, Limerick, and N Ireland. All walks go from 7 August to 15 August. We are seeking people to help us create new walks, join us for a day or half day or a few hours, collect, take a sponsor card, or promote the walk. For more information contact Eamonn Kelly (Rev), Parochial House, Convoy, Co Donegal, F93HX2R, <u>eamonnkelly1949@gmail.com</u> or 0879077985.

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. NEW for 2024 is our Junior Tractor Run. Registration from 3pm. Run at 3:30pm. Children to take their own vehicle. ENTRY FREE.

<u>Children's Summer Faith CAMP</u>: for ages 7 - 13yrs in Bunscoil Lughaidh Naofa, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan. Monday 29th July - Thursday 1st August 2024, 10am- 3pm each day. The activities at the camp will include art, drama, sport, music, action songs and prayer. \in 40 per child and \in 25 for each additional child in the family. Booking is essential as places are limited. Booking forms are available in the Carrickmacross Parish Office or can be downloaded on the Parish website. Please email: <u>carrickmacrossfaithcamp@gmail.com</u> to register.

Samaritans Drogheda Branch: would like to thank everyone who contributed to their Church Gate Collection on Saturday15th & Sunday 16th June. Your generosity is greatly 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.

Brick + Art Summer Camp: Monday 22nd – Friday 26th July from 10am -1.00pm in St Joseph's National School, Carrickmacross. Contact Aaron (08970696908) for more information.

<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.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service: will hold Blood Donor Clinics in the Riverbank Hotel, Carrickmacross, Monday 8th July & Tuesday 9th July from 3.45pm to 8.00pm. All clinics are by appointment only. Please call 1800 222 111 to book an appointment or to check your eligibility, visit www.giveblood.ie.

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>St. Joseph's Cemetery – June 2024 Update</u>.

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; <u>www.Irishgraveyards.ie</u> 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 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.