

The Parish Of Machaire Rois



The Holy Family of Jesus Mary & Joseph.

Sunday 29th December 2024.

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Weekly Reflection.

'Away in a Manger'

As a youngster I always loved the simplicity of this carol. The lyrics of 'no crib for a bed, where the little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head', concluding with 'bless all the dear children in thy loving care, and bring them to Heaven to live with thee there', appealed to an innocence then that our world seems to have lost sight of.

Who are those 'dear children' today? They are the victims of the unrelenting slaughter of the innocents in Gaza, the Holy Land, the birthplace of Jesus. They are the victims of senseless wars and violence and hatred in so many parts of the world. They are the aborted babies who never had the chance of life. They are our brothers and sisters with Special Needs who are forever close to God.

We pray for all these dear children at this festive time and know that God holds them 'in his tender care, and brings them to Heaven, to live with Him there'.

Fr Shane.

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Saturday 28th December.	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
Saturday 28th December.	6.00pm.	1st AM. Owen Shields, 40 Cloughvalley. 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.
Sunday 29th December.	9.30am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
Sunday 29th December.	12Noon.	1st AM. Sheila Drury, Ardross Avenue, Carrickmacross.
Monday 30th December.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Tuesday 31st December.	10.00am	AM. Oliver Martin, 24 Crann Nua, formerly St Macartan's Villas.
Wednesday 1st January.	10.00am. 7.30pm.	New Year's Day Masses. <i>Feast of Mary, The Mother of God</i> <i>World Day of Peace.</i> AM. Pat Duffy, Rockdaniel Road. Evening Mass for the New Year's Day.
Thursday 2nd January.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 3rd January	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 3rd January	.730pm.	AM. Patsy, Tomas & Catherine Kirke, Greaghdrumneesk.
Saturday 4th January.	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
Saturday 4th January	6.00pm.	AM. Teresa & Peter Grimes, Cuchullain Terrace, & Deceased Members of the Downey & Grimes Families.
Sunday 5th January.	9.30am.	AM. Rosie McGee, Barnadonagh, Carrickmacross.
Sunday 5th January.	12Noon.	AM. Noeleen Keenan, her parents Kathleen & Edward Keenan, formerly St Macartan's Villas. AM. Terry Cassidy, Mullaghamacteer. AM. Catherine (Kitt) Ward, 5 Pennybridge. AM. Brian & Teresa Duffy, Emmett Street. AM. John Maguire, Nafferty.

Recently Deceased: Ann Finnegan, Cornalaragh.
Maisie Healy, (née McGeough), Cork, formerly Oghill, Inniskeen.
Ita Kennedy, (née Murphy), Portlaoise, formerly O'Neill Street.
Sean McConnon, Ballycartlan, Magheraclone.

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

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

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

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Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday 29th December.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	AM. Peter Brennan & Deceased Members of the Brennan Family, Carrickahogue.
Sunday 5th January.	Corduff. 11.00am.	AM. Michael Slattery, Dublin & New York. AM. Kathleen Connolly, Cornalaragh. AM. Kathleen Conlon, & remembering her husband Patsy, Raferagh.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

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



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Mass Duties for January in St Josephs.

Weekend Readers: **6.00pm.** Patricia Harkin. **9.30am.** Malachy Marron.
12Noon. Angela McEntee.

Weekday Readers: **Mon:** Kathleen Murtagh. **Tues:** Paddy Gallagher. **Wed:** Malachy Marron.
Thurs: Teresa Carolan. **Friday am.:** Pat Kerrigan.
Friday pm.: Thomas Mee. **Saturday 11am.:** Maureen Nwokoo.

Collectors: **6.00pm. Mass:** Terry Kiernan, Paul Martin, and Patrick Shields.
9.30am. Mass: Tommy Swinburne, Jim Halligan and Jimmy Finnegan.
12Noon Mass: Jim Cumiskey, Raymond O'Hara and Patrick Quinn.

World Day of Peace is marked on 1st January each year, the Feast of Mary, Mother of God. The theme this year is **"Forgive us our trespasses: give us your peace"**. A copy of the Message for World Day of Peace from Pope Francis can be accessed via this link [Pope Francis' Message for the World Day of Peace 2025 - Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development](#) We are also mindful that this World Day of Peace comes at the beginning of a Jubilee Year of Hope. Pope Francis invites us to look at the many challenges that severely endanger the survival of humanity and Creation with a heart full of hope. In particular, the Holy Father recommends three actions that can truly mark a path of peace: the forgiveness of the international debt; the abolition of the death penalty; the establishment of a World Fund that will definitively eliminate hunger.



Jubilee Year of Hope 2025.

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 today 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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The Year Ahead

A Wish

May God make your year a happy one!
Not by shielding us from all sorrows and pain,
but by strengthening us to bear it, as it comes;
not by making our path easy,
but by making us sturdy to travel any path;
not by taking hardships from us,
but by taking fear from our heart;
not by granting us unbroken sunshine,
but by keeping our face bright, even in the shadows;
not by making our life always pleasant,
but by showing us when people and their causes need us most,
and by making us anxious to be there to help.
God's love, peace, hope and joy to us for the year ahead.

A Prayer

Lord, You make all things new.
You bring hope alive in our hearts
and cause our Spirits to be born again.
Thank you for this new year,
For all the potential it holds.
Come and kindle in us
a mighty flame,
so that in our time many will see the wonder of God
and live forever to praise his glorious name.

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On behalf of Mr. Shane, Canon Owen Joe and Fr Vitas and the Parish Team, may we wish all our Parishioners, a New Year filled with Many Blessings.