

Sunday 30th March 2025.

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

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Weekly Reflection.

'Home-comings'

We are all familiar nowadays with the staged Irish homecoming for our sporting superstars at the airports as our successful teams and individuals return to the flag-waving loving embrace of family and supporters. I noticed when our Special Olympians returned recently that these are really moments of boundless joy and tenderness for the athletes involved, as they fell into the open arms of proud mothers and fathers, with tears in their eyes.

There is an old expression which says, 'when someone comes to meet you, your journey is always shortened.' In the Gospel, the Prodigal Son has readied himself for what he fears may be a challenging home-coming, but the father runs to meet him, and, in that embrace, there is no need for words, only love.

The father represents God who awaits any sign of our desire for reconciliation. All we need to do is make the first steps of repentance and He will run to meet us – our sins will be forgiven. As Lent draws to a close, perhaps we could take those first steps, for our journey home to the Father will be shortened as He comes to meet us and welcomes us home with open arms.

Fr Shane.

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Sat 29 th March.	11.00am.	Month's Memory: Seamus Kelly, Corduffkelly.
		Month's Memory: Ollie Martin, Rossdreenagh.
Caturda	6.00	1st AM. Anna McCabe, Ballybay Road.
Saturday 29 th March.	6.00pm.	1 st AM. Frank Marron, formerly St Macartan's Villas.
29 th Marcn.		AM. Kevin Conroy, Beech Drive.
		AM. Janey Callan, Drumcondrath Road.
		AM. Paddy Marron, Donaghmoyne Road.
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Sunday 30 th March.	9.50aiii.	Mass for the reopie of the ratism.
Sunday	12Noon.	Month's Memory, Patrick (Paddy) Hand, Drummond Etra.
30 th March.		1st AM. Frank Marron, Ardross Avenue.
		AM. Jeanne McNally, Drumcondrath Road.
		AM. Bernadette McConnon, Corcrin & remembering Joseph & Rose
		McConnon.
		AM. Danny & Maggie O'Donoghue, Cuchulainn Terrace & deceased
		members of the O'Donoghue & Marron Families, Corlea,
		Magheracloone.
		AM. Dan Markey, his brother Tommy & James & Rita Dolan & deceased members of the Dolan Family.
Monday	7.15am.	Mass For Lent.
31 st April.	10.00am.	Mass for Lent.
Tuesday	7.15am.	Mass for Lent.
1 st April.	10.00am.	AM. Elizabeth & Richard Brady & their daughters May & Doreen.
Wednesday	7.15am.	AM. Michael & Cepta Deery, Main Street.
2 nd April.	10.00am.	Mass for Lent.
Thursday	7.15am.	Mass for Lent.
3 rd April.	10.00am.	Mass for Lent.
Friday	7.15am.	Mass for Lent.
4 th April.		Mass for Lent.
	10.00am.	
Friday 4 th April.	7.30pm.	Mass for the First Friday.
Sat 5 th April.	11.00am.	AM. Bernard Morgan.
Saturday	6.00pm.	Month's Memory: John Bosco Boylan, Derryolam Court.
5 th April.		AM. Sheila Ward, 33 Cloughvalley, remembering her husband John
		& the deceased members of the Ward & Kerley families.
		AM. Maura Flaherty, 5 Hill Crest, Mullinary.
		AM. Eddie & Roisin Sherry, their son Eddie Jnr, their daughter
		Fionnuala Sherry & deceased members of the Sherry & Martin Families.
Sunday	9.30am.	AM. Joe & Julia Patton, their daughter Frances & great grandson
6 th April.		Óisin Boyle,
		AM. Rosemary Lee, Inver Park.
Sunday	12Noon.	Month's Memory: Johnny Kellett, Cloughvalley.
6 th April.		AM. Bernard, Margaret & Patsy Jackson, Magheraboy & Anna
		Jackson, Rockdaniel Road.
		AM. Oliver & Mary Lonergan, Main Street.
		AM. Eileen McGuchen, Middlesbrough, England, late of Lisacullion,
		Shantonagh.
		AM. Elizabeth Hand, Ardee Road.

Palm Sunday 13th April: Palm will be blessed at each of the Masses.
(Please bring your own Palm.)

Recently Deceased: Sheila McArdle, (née McGlew), Highfield, (formerly Killanny).

Winifred (Winnie) Garland, Inniskeen.

Mary McKeever, (née Byrne) Dundalk, (formerly Emmett Street). Eileen Matthews, (née Logan) Dundalk, (formerly Farney Street). Teresa Stokes, (née O'Brien), London, (formerly Pearse Avenue).

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

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Sunday 30 th March.	Corduff. 11.00am.	 AM. Paddy & Annie Callan & deceased members of the Callan family, Cornasassanagh. AM. Peter Byrne, Sreenty, his wife Kathleen & deceased members of the Byrne Family.
Wednesday 2 nd April.	Corduff. 7.30pm.	Remembrance Mass Rose Dennehy, Co Kerry, (née Keenan) Sreenty, (who died recently) & deceased members of the Keenan & Dennehy families.
Sunday 6 th April.	Raf. 11.00am.	AM. Madge & Jamesy Lennon, Cornalaragh. AM. Jim Murphy, Raferagh.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Michael's, Corduff every Wednesday evening from 5-7pm, finishing with Rosary at 6:30. Please drop in at any time to spend some time in quiet reflection.

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



Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Joseph's.)

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel opening hours are as follows.

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

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

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

Confessions in St Joseph's Church.

Easter Penance Service (Confessions) in St Joseph's on Palm Sunday Evening, April 13th at 5pm.

Confessions in St Joseph's on Saturdays after the 11am Mass – and the Eve of the First Friday (Thursday) after the 10am Mass.

Masses for Lent in Machaire Rois Parish.

St Joseph's Church Carrickmacross: Monday – Friday at 7.15am & 10.00am and

Saturdays at 11.00am.

Corduff/Raferagh: Wednesday Evening Masses for Lent at 7.30pm. Corduff: Wednesday April 2nd & 16th. Raferagh: Wednesday April 9th

St Joseph's Triduum: Triduum of prayer and healing in honour of St. Joseph The Worker will take place on Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30thApril & Thursday 1st May 2025 in St Joseph's Church. Mass 10.00am & 7.30pm each day. Fr. Robert McCabe from Navan will lead the Triduum this year.

<u>Interested in becoming Catholic or Learning More</u>? RCIA Classes Are Beginning Soon! The rite of Christian initiation of adults (RCIA) is a programme for adults interested in becoming a Catholic, receiving the Sacraments or exploring the catholic faith. Please contact the parish office for more details (042-9661231).

<u>Pioneer Council</u>: **Step forward, stand out** take the temporary pledge this Lent. Send Applications through our email <u>southmonaghanpioneers@gmail.com</u> at any time.

Mass Duties for April in St Joseph's.

Weekend Readers: 6.00pm, Mass: Kathleen Murtagh. 9.30am, Mass: Lawrence Jones.

12Noon, Mass: Margaret Burke.

Weekday Readers: Mon: Christina Farnan. Tues: Paddy Gallagher. Wed: Kathleen Murtagh.

Thurs: Teresa Carolan. **Friday am:** Pat Kerrigan. **Friday pm:** Ciara Nolan. **Saturday 11am:** Pat Drury.

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.

<u>Coffee Morning</u> in aid of "The Irish Pilgrimage Trust" Group 93, who are taking Harry Marron, Corduff to Lourdes at Easter, on this Sunday, 30th of March in Corduff/Raferagh Community Centre from 10am until 1pm. All donations will greatly be accepted.

The North East Musical and Dramatic Society (NEMS) is staging their production of "Calendar Girls" from 2nd to 5th April in the Iontas Theatre, Castleblayney. Tickets are now on sale for this heartwarming show based on a true story at www.iontascastleblayney.ie. A 21-month calendar featuring local businesses and sponsors will also be on sale with proceeds going to Carrick Cancer, Cara Cancer Support and Crocus.

Hope to see you there. Thank you.

<u>Casualty in Crisis</u>, the latest production from Corduff Raferagh Drama Group will take place on Friday 4th April and Saturday 5th April, in Corduff/Raferagh Community Centre with the show starting at 8.00pm sharp both nights. Tickets €20 are on Sale in the Mountain Dew, Corduff & David O'Rourke's, Carrickmacross. We are really looking forward to the production, for another night of high jinks and fun.

Scoil Phádraig Corduff: is accepting enrolments for Junior Infants for the 2025/2026 school year. Please email the school at info@scoilphadraigcorduff.ie, call 0429669437, or come to the school for enrolment forms.

Saint Louis Secondary School Carrickmacross: It's school musical time of year again and the Transition Year students and musical production team of teachers in St. Louis, Carrickmacross, are putting the final touches to weeks of rehearsals for this year's production, "Shrek." Ticket numbers are limited due to the capacity of the hall so will sell out fast. The show starts at 7.30pm each evening and runs from 2nd- 4th April. Tickets are on sale now at www.Eventbrite.ie or can be purchased directly from school reception.

St Enda's Prayer Group Killanny: Confessions at 7.00pm followed by Holy Mass at 7.30pm Monday 7th April 2025, in the old Parish Hall, Killanny A81 Y096.

<u>Ulster Provincial Pioneer Council host National Ball 2025</u>: Saturday, 5th April, Mass in St Macartan's Cathedral at 6.00pm, followed by dinner in Four Season's Hotel Monaghan at 7.30pm, Music and Dancing to Brendan McCahey Band. For more info contact Jim Halligan 0876734553.

Youth 2000: are hosting their annual Ulster Spring Retreat 4th-6th April in St. Macartan's College, Monaghan. This retreat is open to all 16–35-year-olds and is donation only. At our retreats, you will have the opportunity to join with over 100 young people and learn more about your Catholic faith. Come along anytime throughout the weekend and participate in the Sacraments, social, music, sport and fun. Please visit youth2000.ie to book or for more information on weekend schedule. We invite you to step out and explore your faith this Lent, in an open and inviting environment.

Bus to Eddie Stones, Clonfert: First Saturday April 5th, 2025, €20 return, bring a packed lunch. Leaving from the back of the Credit Union, Monaghan 7am, Clontibret Church 7. 10am, Blayney Church 7.25am, Brefni House, Carrickmacross 7.40am. Booking essential 087 2508043.

Eucharistic Adoration: Calling ALL ADORERS of the Blessed Sacrament in Clogher Diocese. National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 6th April (weekend of 5th Sunday of Lent). Call Glen on 086 8275437 to enquire or book a seat. Full Bus details on EucharisticAdoration.ie