

# The Parish Of Machaire Rois



# LENT

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent. Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2025.**

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## **Weekly Reflection.**

### **Faithfulness to God's calling.**

We all get a certain satisfaction from discovering shortcuts. In this fast-moving world we often ask, 'What is the fastest way from A to be B? What is the quickest way to get this done?' We have gotten used to doing some things much more quickly than we would ever have done them in the past. In no area of life is this truer than in communications. Communications that once took days or even weeks now take seconds. We benefit greatly from this increased efficiency; however, we also know that when it comes to the more important things in life, there are no shortcuts. Time and patience, faithfulness and application are required and cannot be substituted.

In today's Gospel reading Jesus is tempted to take a variety of shortcuts. Yet Jesus knew that there was no shortcut for what God had sent him to do. And so we read that Jesus entered the wilderness 'filled with the Holy Spirit'. That same Spirit has been poured into our hearts at Baptism. In the wilderness, Jesus drew inspiration from the word of God every time he was put to the test by Satan. That same word of God has been given to us, a word which, according to St. Paul in today's second reading, 'is very near to you'. In our own testing times, we can pray in the words of today's psalm, 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!'

Fr. Owen Joe.

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<b>Sat 8<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b>
<b>Sat 8<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>6.00pm.</b>	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> AM.</b> Joseph Byrne, Belfast &amp; Cloughvalley Lower.</p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> AM.</b> Alan Clayson, his wife Mary (née McNally) Northampton, formerly Toey, Shantonagh.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Minnie &amp; Patrick Byrne, Cloughvalley Lower &amp; their parents Patrick &amp; Annie &amp; deceased members of the Byrne &amp; McNally families.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Patrick &amp; Kathleen McMahon, Rockdaniel Road &amp; their parents Margaret &amp; Patrick.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Peadar McEaney, Rockdaniel Road &amp; Annie &amp; John McEaney, Pearse Avenue.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Paddy &amp; Alice O'Rourke, Magheross &amp; deceased members of the Gartlan family, Magheross &amp; the O'Rourke family, Annacroft.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Oliver Murray, Ardee Road.</p>
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Peter & Mary McMahon, Mullinary, their sons Laurence & Noel and their daughter Kathleen.
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<p><b>Month's Memory.</b> Paul Callan, Longfield.</p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> AM.</b> Cormac O'Donohue, Dunogue.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Margaret Rooney, Cloughvalley.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Margaret (Peggy) Walsh, 78 Cloughvalley.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Mary Kirk, Ardross Avenue.</p>
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>Mass for Lent.</b>
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>AM.</b> Brian Duffy, Drummond Etra.
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.00pm.</b>	<b>St Joseph's Boys National School, First Confessions.</b>
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<p><b>Mass for Lent.</b></p> <p><b>AM.</b> Rosie Boyle, Mullinary &amp; remembering her parents James &amp; Bridget.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Sheila &amp; Laurence McNally, Ballybay Road, Kay &amp; Des Finnian &amp; Sheila Doyle, Dublin.</p>
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>Mass for Lent.</b>
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>Mass for Lent.</b>
<b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Jimmy Scotson, Mullinary & Mary Fennell, The Bridge.
<b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>6.00pm.</b>	<p><b>Month's Memory.</b> Jolanta Diementiene, Glaslough Street, Monaghan.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Jimmy &amp; Catherine Chambers, Dunogue, John Chambers, Camp, Tralee &amp; Harry Chambers, Tiragarvan.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Kitty &amp; Brian Hand, St Macartan's Villas &amp; deceased Hand &amp; Keenan families.</p>
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> John Malone, Woodlands, Brian & Josie Scanlon, their daughter-in-law Leslie, London.
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Seamus Hanratty, Dundalk Road.

**Recently Deceased:** John Bosco Boylan, Derryolam Court.  
 Johnny Kellett, Cloughvalley/Leonsgarve.  
 Alice McNamee, (née Boylan) Drumboat, Inniskeen.  
 Sean Donohoe, Killyconnigan, Monaghan Town.

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## Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

**Sunday at 11am (alternating)**

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<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Raferagh. 11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Michael & Ellen Culleton, Greaghlonge.
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Raferagh. 11.00am.</b>	<b>Corcreagh National School, First Confessions.</b>
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Raferagh. 7.30pm.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Brendan McEneaney, his parents Tommy & Bridget, Packie & Jemmy McEneaney, Ardagh, & Jimmy McCaffrey, Shanco. <b>Birthday Remembrance:</b> Tommy McEneaney, Corvalley.
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Corduff. 11.00am.</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup>AM. Mary McCabe, Corkishbane.</b> <b>AM.</b> Peter & Rose Gollogly, Corbane & deceased family members. <b>AM.</b> Nancy McConnon & deceased McConnon family, Sreenty. <b>AM.</b> Ellie & Pat Joe Finnegan & deceased family members, Lisacullion. <b>AM.</b> Eugene & Bridget Connolly, their sons John, Michael & Fr Eugene, Corduff.

**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. Tuesday: 9am. - 7pm. Wednesday: 9am.10am.**  
**Thursday: 8am. - 10am. Friday: 8am. - 10am.**  
**Saturday 10am. - 11am. and 5pm. – 6pm. Sunday 1pm. - 6pm.**

### 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 March 19<sup>th</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Raferagh:** Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Please note** that these Wednesday Evening Masses will be celebrated in the Church where Mass was celebrated the **previous** Sunday – and are available for the booking of Anniversaries.

### Masses for St Patrick's Day Machaire Rois Parish.

**St Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am & 12Noon.**

**St John's Church, Raferagh: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March 11.00am.**

**Faith and Light Fiesta** takes place Sunday March the 9th in Steadfast House from 3pm to 5pm.

### Interested in becoming Catholic or Learning More?

#### **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).

**Pioneer Council: Step forward, stand out** take the temporary pledge this Lent. Send Applications through our email [southmonaghanpioneers@gmail.com](mailto:southmonaghanpioneers@gmail.com) at any time.

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## **Eucharistic Ministers.**

**During the season of Lent, we will be holding two nights of inservice for our Eucharistic Ministers. This will enable ministers to achieve an ever deeper understanding of the very important ministry in our Church.**

**We are looking for new Volunteers to join our Eucharistic Ministry Team. If you are interested in the role of Eucharistic Minister, please contact the Parish office on 042 9661231, or alternatively please call to the office in person, during Parish Office hours Monday – Friday 10am – 12.30pm.**

**The meetings will take place for\*ALL Existing and New Ministers\* this coming Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 7.00pm – 8.30pm and on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March from 7.00pm – 8.30pm. in the Workhouse, Carrickmacross.**

**Trócaire Boxes:** Are now available and can be collected at the back of each of the Churches in the Parish.

**St. Louis Secondary School Carrickmacross:** invite 5<sup>th</sup> class girls to a subject sampling day on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 9:10 -3:00pm. Please visit our school website [www.stlouiscmx.com](http://www.stlouiscmx.com) to register

**Fr Matthews Semba:** has contacted the parish to highlight the plight of the people of Malawi. Copies of Fr Matthews appeal is available in each of the three churches (Beside Newsletter) Anyone who wishes to give to this Charity can leave their donation in the Parish Office.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter:** The next Marriage Enrichment Weekend is in Knock from Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Book now at [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

**Poor Clares Galway:** Monastic Experience Day for women 18-35. An opportunity to explore and experience Poor Clare life and spirituality. The event will take place from 10am to 5pm on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Contact: [vocations@poorclares.ie](mailto:vocations@poorclares.ie) to register. For more information: [www.poorclares.ie/monastic-experience-days](http://www.poorclares.ie/monastic-experience-days)

**Clogher Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025:** will take place 4-9 July 2025. Price €1050.00 or Sterling Equivalent excluding travel insurance. Price includes flights, full board accommodation/meals, Transfer from designated places throughout the Diocese to/from Airport. Assisted Pilgrim price: €975 To book Pilgrim Places; Contact John Hueston, Lisnaskea. Tel: 028 677 24329 or download booking form from [www.lourdes2clogher.com](http://www.lourdes2clogher.com).

**Clogher don Óige Young Adult Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome 26<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2025.** A limited number of places available for a 10-day pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee Year, open to young adults (18-30) a full pilgrimage programme including events with Pope Francis. Join over 1.5 million young people from across the world who are expected during these days to come together to celebrate their faith. More details at [www.clogherdonoige.org/rome2025](http://www.clogherdonoige.org/rome2025) or email [james@cdo.email](mailto:james@cdo.email)

**Carrick Rovers Bingo:** Every Monday night 19.30 to 21.00. in St. Louis's Convent Hall. Great Prizes to be won.

**Purse Found:** outside the Market Square Shopping Centre, Carrickmacross, contact the manager O'Gorman's Supervalu, 0429661387.

**'Sing for Joy!' - A Day of Music and Ministry** We invite you to join us for **'Sing for Joy!' - A Day of Music and Ministry.** Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co. Donegal. Boat departs at 9:30am. In the prayerful setting of Lough Derg, this day will provide space for the power of music to nourish our spirit and allow us to give praise to God through the beauty of sound, song, and silence. There will be various inputs as well as time to pray, connect with others and explore this Sacred place. The day will conclude with the Celebration of the Eucharist at 5pm (open to the public). This day is open to young people aged 18-35 and is free to attend (supported by the Knights of St Columbanus). Registration is essential via <https://bit.ly/SingforJoy> . For further information please contact [info@knightsofstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk](mailto:info@knightsofstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk) / +447759496677.