

Parish of Machaire Rois



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Today Sunday 20th March (Palm Sunday) you will see a second large cross in the church porch. As we remember Christ's passion we are invited to unite our own crosses with his. We place at the foot of the cross our personal crosses / our sufferings, or suffering in the world. You may write a petition, or leave a memento or newspaper cutting in the box provided. These will be brought to the altar at the afternoon liturgy of Good Friday .

Penitential Service (Today) 20th March at 6pm.

There will be a number of priests available. We encourage as many as possible to avail of this opportunity of spiritual preparation for the feast of Easter.

Rite Of Reconciliation

1. The Priest will welcome and Bless you.
2. Make the sign of the Cross.
3. In your own words, share the areas of your life that concern or trouble you.
4. In Your own words, tell God that you are sorry or use a learned act of contrition.
5. O my God, I thank you for loving me, I am sorry for all my sins, for not loving others and not loving you. Help me to live like Jesus and not sin again. Amen.
6. The Priest may propose an act of penance.
7. The Priest, through the ministry of Christ, will absolve you from your sins.

Easter Confessions Wednesday 23rd March :

10.30am - 12 Noon, 6.30pm - 7.30pm.

Holy Saturday 10.30am -12 Noon and 3-4pm.

Easter Ceremonies

Holy Thursday 24th March : Mass of the Lord's Supper 3.00pm and 7.30pm :

Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Those who have volunteered to serve as Ministers of the Eucharist will be commissioned at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday at 7.30pm.

Good Friday 25th March : Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00pm and 7.30pm:

Holy Saturday The Vigil Of Easter Night 9.00pm.

You are invited to a three-day celebration.

The Easter Triduum (Triduum=three days) is celebrated from Holy Thursday at 3pm to Easter Sunday evening. This extended celebration offers people of faith a deep spiritual engagement with Christ's Passover through death to risen life, what we call his Paschal Mystery. The celebration is marked by three Liturgies:

The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday afternoon & evening, with its themes of service (the Gospel of the washing of the feet) and the gift of the Eucharist.

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday is a unique Liturgy, "austere and very sad", which ponders on the saving death of the Lord Jesus

The Vigil of Easter Night with the proclamation of Christ's resurrection from the tomb and of our rising with him from sin to the new life of love and grace. But there is more to celebrate than Liturgies. In the Triduum, the penitential fast of Lent gives way to the Paschal Fast, which is to be kept sacred by all on Good Friday and, if possible prolonged through Holy Saturday, so that we may come to the joy of the Sunday of the Resurrection with ready and uplifted hearts.

Good Friday is a day of **Fast and abstinence**. The Celebration of the Lord's Passion is at 3pm and 7.30pm. It will consist of (a) Liturgy of the Word. (b) The Veneration of the Cross. (c) Holy Communion.

Easter Vigil The Celebration of Easter Day, the Resurrection of the Lord begins with the Easter Vigil at 9pm outside the Main door of the Church with the Blessing of the New Fire. It is the single most important celebration of the Church Year. From antiquity it has been known as the 'Feast of Feasts'. The music, the candlelight, the Paschal fire adds drama to the Liturgy which we do not have at other times of the year. It is a fitting end to the season of Lent and to commence the season of Easter.

Liturgy Group Meeting 21st March at 7pm.

Trocaire Parish Envelope There is a **yellow envelope** in the current box of envelopes dated 24th March.

Proceeds from your Trocaire box can be placed in this envelope and, will be collected at all Masses on Holy Thursday. Alternatively please bring your Trocaire Boxes to the Church on Holy Thursday. Place them in the collection boxes at the entrance of the Church. They will be carried to the Altar in the Offertory Procession.

Diocese of Clogher 2016 Centenary Celebration. An evening of visual , musical and drama presentation in St Macartan's Cathedral Monaghan, Tuesday 29th March and Wednesday 30th March and in St Michael's Church Enniskillen on Friday 1st April, at 8pm on all Nights. Collect your complimentary ticket in the Parish Office.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be **closed** from Holy Thursday. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament continues as usual times from **Tuesday 29th March.**

Friends of Lough Derg (FOLD) Carrickmacross. **Bus to Knock 3rd April – Divine Mercy Sunday.** Bus leaving Shirley Arms at 8am. Cost €20. To book please contact Padraig 0872332215 or Jimmy 0429662197. As this is the 'Year of Mercy' early booking is advised to secure a seat. See poster in church porch.

Carrickmacross Ladies G.F.C. are holding our A.G.M in the Emmet Centre on Sunday March 20th at 6pm. New members are always welcome !!

A Street Prayer Witness, will be held on the Diamond Monaghan on Good Friday March 25th 12.00-1.00pm. All Welcome.

Saturday 19th March	11:00am	M.M. Tom Hughes, Ardross Avenue.
	6:30pm (Vigil Mass)	M. M. Enda Mc Eaney, Tullyallen, Carrickmacross. Michéal Downey, Patrician Drive. James Murray, Corduffkelly. John and Rose Ann Traynor, Rockdaniel Road and Aghafad. Kieran and Liam Mc Ginn, Derryolam. Paddy Dolan Farney Street. Bob and Kitty Irwin and James and Alice Logan , 29 Emmett Street.
Sunday 20th March Palm Sunday	9:30am	
	12 noon	Patrick Mc Gorisk and Kathleen Mc Gorisk Sean, Peter and Rose Callan, Larry Kerr. Mary and Oliver Loneran, "Maryville" Main Street, Carrickmacross. Seamus Hanratty, Dundalk Road.
Monday 21st March	7.15am	Tom and Eileen and P.J Mc Cartney, Farney Street.
	10.00am	
Tuesday 22nd March	7.15am	Tommy Cunningham , Ardee Road and deceased family.
	10.00am	James and Mary Finnegan, Lisdrumturk and deceased family members.
Wednesday 23rd March	7.15am	Patrick , Alice and Sue Mc Entee , Ardee Road.
	10.00am	Confessions will take place after 10am Mass : 10.30am-12.30pm Evening Confessions : 6.30pm- 7.30pm
Thursday 24th March Holy Thursday	3.00pm 7.30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper 3pm and 7.30pm
Friday 25th March Good Friday	3.00pm 7.30pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3pm and 7.30pm
Saturday 26th March Holy Saturday	9.00pm	The Vigil of Easter Night 9.00pm
Sunday 27th March Easter Sunday	9:30am	John and Mary Slevin and Charles and Mary B and Ted Caulfield. Colm Duffy and his mother Mary Duffy , Mullinary Thomas and Elizabeth Callan and Luke Brennan, Drumgowna.
	12 Noon	Malachy Boyle, Castleblayney Road and deceased of Boyle , Donaghy and Finnegan families. Ryan and Lee Kiernan-Byrne , Bernard and Margaret Byrne, Patrick , Bernard and Eileen Sheridan. Johnny Gartlan, Ardee Road, Paddy and Annie Winters, Tullynaskeagh, and, all the deceased of the Gartlan and Winters families. John- Paul Reilly and his sister Ellen. Michael Murtagh and deceased Family members Leggimore.

Recently Deceased: Maureen Clarke, Donaghmoyn Road. Hugh Mc Nally , Derryrolam. Caroline Dempsey, Drumcondrath. Lillian Thomson (Nee Fennell) Liverpool and late of Farney Street. Jonathan Brady O'Donnell.

