Parish of Machaire Rois



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<u>Mass tímes for Chrístmas 2017</u> Vígíl for Chrístmas Day: 9pm. Mass on Chrístmas Day: 9am, 10.30am and 12 Noon. Mass on Tuesday 26th- Saturday 30th December

11am.

The Parish Office will be closed from Monday 25th December re-opening Thursday 4th January 2018.

Thank you to all those who helped with decorating the Church for Christmas. Your help was very much appreciated.

Joint Christmas Message 2017 from Bishop John Mc Dowell, Church of Ireland Bishop of Clogher and Mgr Joseph Mc Guinness, Diocesan Administror of Clogher, A copy of the letter is available in the Church, and Parish Office .

Mass Duties for January 2018

<u>Collectors</u> : Vigil Denis Durkin, Padraig Mc Nally . **Sunday 9.30am**: Tony Gartlan , Brian Ward. **12 Noon**: Pat Gilsenan, Jim Halligan , Tom Mc Gahon.

Readers : (Weekdays)

Monday :	Phil Feeney	
Tuesaday:	Lily Gartlan	
Wednesday:	Kathleen Murray	
Thursday:	Sr Enda	
Friday :	Mrs Pat O'Carroll	
Saturday:	Maureen Flannagan	
Readers : (Weekend)		
Vigil :	Máirín O'Gorman	
9.30am:	Patrick Waters	
12 Noon:	Philomena Kent	

The Carrickmacross Annual "Goal Mile" will take place on Tuesday the 26th December 2017 at 11am at the Carrick Aces Athletic Club Running Track(Oriel Road, Carrickmacross) . The Goal Mile involves running or walking

Carrickmacross) . The Goal Mile involves running or walking 4 laps with an opportunity to make a donation to this worthwhile cause. Everyone is very welcome to this Fun/ Walk . Further information can be found on www.goalglobal.org

Emmets Christmas Day Swim. This year's swim is for the Shane McMahon Beneficiary Fund: Shane was an active referee for the Emmets club and indeed for the Association until he was recently diagnosed with Motor Neuron Disease. He played football for the Emmets and has a minor championship medal and we hope everyone throughout the parish and county will get behind this very worthy cause! Sponsorship cards are available from O'Rourkes Fuels and donations can be directly made at the Carrickmacross Credit Union. In view of the expected large crowd; all traffic will be directed to Creevy Lake via the Old Castleblayney Road; in conclusion of the swim the traffic will then be directed back via the Ballybay Road. Registration for swimmers will be from 11am onwards and it is advisable to be there good and early; to avoid any confusion or delay. Please bring your sponsorship cards and money with you and please follow the instructions and advice of the stewards regarding parking etc. Thanks to everyone for the huge response to the Shane McMahon Fund and we will see ye all on Christmas morning!

Lisdoonan Tidy Village Committee Christmas Tree of **Remembrance.** A Christmas Tree of Remembrance has been erected in the village by the Tidy Village Committee. If you wish to have your loved one / absent family member remembered on the tree for Christmas a Bauble can be purchased in our local shop where you can enter a name / message to your loved one and this sealed bauble can be placed on the tree of remembrance for Christmas. A single bauble will cost €2 or you can buy 3 baubles for €5. Any donation would be gratefully accepted. The Hill Reunion Dvd , now available !! would make that perfect Christmas and new year gift. Consists of 2 discs, 1st : with family photos and history of the hill , and 2nd : the reunion Celebrations where all the ceoil and craic tells a story, Contact Olivia on 0872052502 or Ann on 0870561433.

Annual Eucharistic Healing Retreat led by Eddie Stones and Fr Bill Keogh, in The Abby Hotel Donegal Friday $12^{th} - 14^{th}$ January . For more details contact 0877847304.

Saturday 23 rd December	11am	M.M. Rosaleen Marron, Cloughvalley.
	6.30pm Vigil Mass	M.M Eamonn Carolan , Rockdaniel Road. Deceased Members of the Curley and Harney families , Crann Nua. Eileen and Kevin O'Brien , Mullinary.
Sunday 24 th December	9.30am	Patrick and Julia Ward, Parnell Street. John ,Ted and Kay Kiernan.
<u>Christmas Eve</u>		
	12Noon	O'Gorman and O'Brien families, Dundalk Road.
		Lithuanian Mass at 4.30pm
	9pm	Vígíl for Chrístmas Day at 9pm
Monday 25 th December		Mass celebrated at 9am , 10.30am and
		12 Noon.
<u>Christmas Day</u>		Children are invited to bring along their gifts from Santa , to have blessed at the 10.30am Mass on Christmas Day.
		<u>Chrístmas Blessíng</u>
		'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son' (Jn3:16) This is the source of our Joy and celebration . Gods precious gift that is forever new and constantly inviting us into his life. Fr Larry Duffy, Fr Michael Jordan, Fr Matthews Semba, Deacon Sean , and Parish Staff wish you a blessed Christmas and a new year filled with Hope and Peace.
Tuesday 26 th December	11am	Francis Noel Duffy. Mary and Pat Bermingham.
Wednesday 27 th Dec.	11am	Maurice Mc Auliffe, Danny and Thomas Mc Kitterick and deceased members of the Mc Kitterick and Mc Auliffe families. Joe, Bridie Peter and Paula Shevlin.
Thursday 28 th Dec	11am	Ann Boyle, Corduffkelly.
Friday 29 th December	11am	Patrick Hand, Ardross Avenue.
Saturday 30th December	11am	M.M. Tom Coyle , 10 Pearse Avenue, Carrickmacross.
	6.30 Vigil Mass	Mona Donnelly, Mullinary.
Sunday 31 st December	9.30	
	12 Noon	Pat Duffy, 24 Rockdaniel Road.
		Jacqueline Sharkey (Nee Mc Mahon) 2 Donaghmoyne Court.
		2 Dorrycham Dark Vincent Shields, Athenny, Adola Zahleskiene, Plas

Recentley Deceased : Annie Reynolds, 2 Derryolam Park, Vincent Shields, Athenry. Adele Zablockiene, Plas Fionn Barra, Carrickmacross (formerly Lithuania). Margaret Dunleavy, Durham.

Please Pray for the deceased donor who left 4,000 Euro to the Parish, and to the anonymous donor who gifted 1,000 Euro.

Christmas Anticipation Prayer

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment In which the Son of God was born Of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, *[here mention your request]* through the merits of Our Saviour Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.

