

PARISH OF MACHAIRE ROIS

St Michael's Corduff

St Joseph's Carrickmacross

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Masses in St Joseph's

Saturday 4 May	11am	
	6pm	The Logan family, Farney Street.
Sunday 5th May	9.30am	Pete and Katie Marron, 7 Pearse Avenue; Elizabeth Matthews, Derryolam; Deceased members of the Rafferty family, Mullinary; Bernard and Mary Doherty and Margaret Rouse, Castleblayney and deceased of the Kiernan family and John Clinton, Lurgans.
	12 noon	Fr Oliver Hanratty and deceased family members; Larry and Mae Mc Cluskey, Woodlands; Kathleen Smith, 35 Highfield Estate, Carrickmacross; Maureen Mc Nally, Stratford on Avon, formerly the bridge Carrickmacross.
Monday 6th May	10am	
Tuesday 7th May	10am	
Wednesday 8th May	10am 7.30pm	Tommy, Maisie and Brendan Martin, Lurgans; Marie-Joe Soraghan, London.
Thursday 9th May	10am	
Friday 10th May	10am 7.30pm	
Saturday 11th May	11am	<i>Confirmation at 11am</i>
	6pm	M.M. Peter Finnegan, Ard Ross Avenue; Nancy Mc Ginnity, Donaghmoyne Road (1 st Anniversary); Tom, Nancy, Tim and Kevin Mc Cartney, Ardee Road, Patsy and Mary Mc Cabe, O'Neill Street, Jim and Eileen Oliver, Drummond Etra; P.J. Donnelly and deceased family members, Emmett Road; Elizabeth (Betty) Duffy, Kingscourt Road. Brendan, May and the extended Devine family, the McDonald, Gorry. Fox families, Monaghan.
Sunday 12th May	9.30am	
	12 Noon	John O'Reilly, St Macartan's Villas, deceased parents Laurence and Julia, sisters Mary and Ann and the deceased members of the Savage family, Dundalk; Anna Meegan, 3 Kingscourt Road, Carrickmacross; Anne Marron, Magheraboy Road.

Recently Deceased: John O'Connor, Magheraclone.

Dates For Diary : The Blessing of the Graves Sunday 7th July (after 12 Noon Mass.)

Congratulations to all the children who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on the 11th May.

Children of the troubles "Children of the Troubles is a project by Joe Duffy and Freya McClements. They are writing a book to remember the children who died as a result of Northern Ireland's 'Troubles'. They wish to accurately and sensitively record the lives of these children, who died so young. If your family or friends lost a child – aged 16 and under – and you would like to contribute to the book please contact Joe or Freya on 07743 589 203 or email: childrenofthetroubles@gmail.com"

Liturgy Meeting Wednesday 8th May at 8pm.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 5-10 July 2019, led by Bishop Larry Duffy. Bookings now being taken by John Hueston, Gave, Macknagh, Crom Road, Lisnaskea, Co Fernmanagh Tel (048) 67724329 (south) or (028) 67724329 (north). Email: john.cdp@btconnect.com. Forms also available at www.clogherlourdes.com . **Price €770** (or sterling equivalent) includes air travel Belfast/Lourdes return; coach transfer from/to designated points in the diocese; 5 nights accommodation based on sharing twin bedded rooms; all meals during the course of the pilgrimage in Lourdes and complimentary comprehensive insurance and airport tax. Single room supplement extra, on request. Minimum deposit €300. Please book early.

Clogher Don Óige : A great Summer camp opportunity for young people aged 12-14. July 23rd-25th at Todd's Leap, Ballygawley. 3 days of adventurous outdoor activities, with time for prayer and reflection. For more details see www.clogherdonoise.org

An 'appreciation' night for the St. Louis Sisters will be held in Nuremore Hotel on Thursday May 9th at 7pm. Launch of a double DVD Documentary on their 130 years in Carrickmacross and 200 year history of Carrickmacross Lace, varied presentations; music; and refreshments on the night. An open night and everyone welcome.

Lough Derg One Day Retreats begin on Saturday 4th May and continue on 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 19th, 21st, 25th, 26th and 27th. Why not take some time and space on Lough Derg personally or as a parish group this May? A NEW event, for those who serve in lay parish ministry, is our Parish Ministry Day Saturday, 18th May. Booking essential. Tel: 0(0353) 71 9861518. Email: info@loughderg.org, Web: www.loughderg.org

Parish Ministry Day on Lough Derg, Sat 18th May This unique day on the Island offers the opportunity for people in lay ministry across all parishes and dioceses to gather together and enjoy an enriching spiritual

experience. The theme for the day is 'It is Christ we are serving' and the guest speaker will be Mr Jim Deeds. The day will begin at 10.30am and conclude with the Celebration of Eucharist at 3pm. Hospitality on the day includes tea/coffee & scones and a light lunch. Admission: €25/£22

Athletes Finals Carrickmacross/Corduff Community Games Area Athletics Finals take place on Thursday 16th May at the Carrick Aces Athletic Track. Registration at 6.15pm and first races begin at 6.30pm. €2 registration fee per child. Open to all children from the Carrickmacross/ Corduff area.

Carrickmacross Jobs Club for unemployed people commencing on Monday 29th April 2019 at 09.30am in the Workhouse, Shercock Road, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan and includes C.V Preparation, Cover Letter Writing, Job Searching, Interview Techniques and Mock Interview. For further information please contact Teresa on 042-9748090 or email to jobsclub@midl.ie.

The FR Noel Conlon Charitable Trust annual 7k walk/run around Inniskeen. All monies raised this year is going to Sosad Carrickmacross and Dementia Ireland. Registration from 1pm at InniskeenCommunity Centre. Walk Starting at 2pm Sharp. For More information or sponsor cards call Fr Noel at 042 9378678, Paul 0872729968, Trish 0872392057, Noel 0862375507.

SMA Retreat Centre, Dromantine, Newry is offering 2 short Retreats. 1. *Awareness and Mindful Living.* Conducted by Martina and Patrick Sheehan. From 10am on Fri. 10th May – Sun. 12th at 2pm. 2. *Forgiveness; the journey from hurt to healing, freedom and peace.* Conducted by Fr. Des Corrigan SMA Sat. 22nd June 9.30am – 5pm contact retreat Centre, Dromantine Tel. 028-30821964 E mail: admin@dromantineconference.com.

Starling Blue in Concert May 18th in Iontas Theatre. This year Patrice, Hannah, Liebe and Louise invite you to enjoy their intricate vocal arrangements of songs from many genres such as Irish Folk, Classical, Swing, Modern Pop, Barbershop and many more. Be sure to get your tickets at www.iontascastleblayney.ie An evening not to be missed.

A cake sale in aid of Carrick ladies u14 Féile team will take place on Sunday 5th May at 9am and after masses in Teach Ui Bhriain. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Carrickmacross Trout Anglers Annual fundraising Barbeque Sunday May 5th (9.30am-5pm). This year funds raised are in aid of Alan Clarke (Peaste) who has motor Neuron disease. For more details on this event contact Richard on 0876524847.

Free stress control course starting on Tuesday 16th May from 6.30 - 8.00 pm. in Carrickmacross Workhouse. Course will take place every Tuesday evening for 6 weeks (come along when you can, no need to register, tea/coffee provided).

The Carrickmacross Pioneer Council Meeting Monday 6th May 2019 at 8pm in Teach Ui Bhriain. To Join the Pioneers details will be taken after 9.30am Mass in Teach Ui Bhriain.

CORDUFF AND RAFERAGH

Masses in Corduff and Raferagh

Sunday 5th may Corduff	11am	M.M.Tom Mc Nally, Greagh; Larry Traynor and deceased members of the Traynor and Ward families, Drumgura; Patrick McCahey and deceased members of the McCahey family, Liserill; Patrick and Mary Daly and their daughter Teresa Armstrong and Mame Daly and deceased members of the Daly family, Cornasassanagh.
Sunday 12th May Raferagh	11am	<i>First Holy Communion</i> Alice and Francis Conlon.

Dates for Diary The Blessing of Graves : 14th July Corduff : 21st July Raferagh (after 11am Mass.)

Corduff & Raferagh Community Centre Activities Tuesday Corduff & Raferagh Active Retirement group 10.30am. Ceili Class 9pm Thursday Pipers 8pm. Social Dancing takes place on Friday the 10th May Dancing to Curtis Magee 9.30 to 12.30 and supper served. The Hall has now come available on a Wednesday night for activities because the Bowls Clubs has finished up for the summer months. If you are interested in renting or would like to see an activity taking place please contact Pauline on 0872977091.

Corduff & Raferagh Community Association at their last meeting passed a vote of sympathy with the family relatives and friends of the late John Mc Gee Leixlip Co. Kildare and with the family relatives and friends of the late Evelyn Mooney formerly Carrigartha and Carrickmacross

Corduff & Raferagh Community Alert. A new Scheme run by Monaghan County Council was launched on last Thursday night. This new service is called Monaghan Community Alerts. This is a FREE Country wide service replacing the existing text service which is no longer fit for purpose. This new service can be accessed on Smartphones, by downloading the Komeer App and applying to join the Corduff & Raferagh Community Alert Group or by text message ,by filling in a form available , in local Gardaí Station or Library.

Carrickmacross Corduff Community Games area Athletics finals take place on Thursday the 16th May at the Carrick Aces athletic Track Registration at 6.15pm and first race 6.30pm. €2 per child. open to all children from the Corduff area

Corduff Gaels Lotto:The weekly Corduff Gaels Lotto draw took place on Sunday 28th April in Ballytrain with a jackpot of €4,800. There was no winner of the jackpot and the numbers drawn were 5, 6, 10 and 28. Congratulations to the 5 Lucky Dip winners Gerard McIntyre, Diarmuid O'Reilly, Gerard Keenan, John Connolly and Rachel and Shane Courtney. This week's draw takes place in Mc Ardle's on Bank Holiday Monday night the 6th May with a jackpot of €4,900. The Lotto will be on sale in usual outlets so your continued support would be appreciated.

Congratulations to all the children who will receive their First Holy Communion on the 12th May .

