

The Parish Of Machaire Rois



WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Sunday 16th November 2025.

A copy of this weekend's readings are available in the church. (Beside Newsletter).

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Weekly Reflection.

'The Hills of Connemara'

'The Hills of Connemara' is a folk song I remember from my childhood which the old people would sing on their ceilidhs, which recounted Ireland's propensity for the brewing of poitin and the fear of the excise men who could interrupt this illicit activity. There is a phrase in the song when despite the vigilance of the lookouts, the worst has happened and the net has closed in on the still; 'Stand your ground, you are too late.'#

This expression was given many outings by my father on all sorts of occasions, as when we as children showed the inadequacy or ineptness of our trying to turn an animal back as it made a burst for freedom, or when the school bus had disappeared around the bend in the road without us onboard, or the stylish corner-forward made eejits of our defending.

Jesus is using a similar type of expression today when He urges us to bear witness to him despite provocations, or threats or even betrayal. 'Stand your ground for I will give you a wisdom and an eloquence that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict.'

Following Christ puts us at odds with much of our society, but standing firm in face of ridicule and condemnation may well win us our lives.

'Stand your ground.'

Fr Shane.

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Sat 15th Nov.	11.00am.	Month's Memory: Philomena Malone, Drumgowna.
Saturday 15th November.	6.00pm.	AM. Bridget & Hugh McNally & deceased members of the Jones family, Derryolam. AM. Thomas & Rose Kerley, St Macartan's Villas & deceased members of the Kerley & McCahey families. AM. Pat & Cora Collins, Drumconrath Road. AM. Valentine & Anne Neary, 3 Parnell Street. AM. Peadar & Sylvia Finnegan, Rossdreenagh & their daughter Dymrna McGuinness, son John & Sr. Sheila Finnegan, (St. Louis Convent). AM. Benny Woods, Highfield. AM. Kay Cunningham (née Marron), Farney Street, remembering her mother Chris, her brothers Frank & Michael Marron. AM. John & David McMenamin, Rockdaniel Road & Mary & David Larney, Donaghmoyne Road.
Sunday 16th November.	9.30am.	AM. Joan McGrath (née Fahey) & her husband Eamonn & daughter Cliona.
Sunday 16th November.	12Noon.	AM. Ado Hamilton, Carrickmaclim & deceased members of the Hamilton family. AM. Louie & Mary Morris, Castleblayney Road.
Mon 17th Nov.	10.00am.	AM. Philip McMahon, 10 Cuchulain Terrace.
Tues 18th Nov.	10.00am.	Novena Mass for the Holy Souls.
Wed 19th Nov.	10.00am.	AM. Kitty McEntee & remembering her parents Pat & Alice & her sister Susan, Ardee Road.
Thursday 20th November.	10.00am.	Month's Memory: Sandra McCabe, Cloughvalley Upper. AM. Kathleen Brady, Drumcondra Road.
Friday 21st Nov.	10.00am.	Novena Mass for the Holy Souls.
Saturday 22nd November.	11.00am.	Month's Memory: Maura McEntee, Mullinary, Carrickmacross. AM. John Smith, Dublin & formerly Corduff.
Saturday 22nd November.	6.00pm.	Month's Memory: Kathleen Brady, Rockdaniel Road. AM. Eamon Carolan, 23 Rockdaniel Road. AM. Deirdre Hand, Convent View. AM. Madge Waters, Cloughvalley. AM. Brendan & Owen Winters & deceased members of the Winters & Lenehan families, 36 Drummond Etra. AM. Bernadette Conlon, Dundalk Road. AM. Jacqueline Sharkey (née McMahon), 2 Donaghmoyne Court. AM. Maura Brennan, Drumgowna & her parents Michael & Bridget Kennedy. AM. Peadar Lynch, Castleblayney Road. AM. Gerry McGee, Crann Nua.
Sunday 23rd November.	9.30am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
Sunday 23rd November.	12Noon.	AM. Thomas McGahon, Cloughvalley. AM. Rosaleen Marron, Cloughvalley & her parents Tom & Rosie Weldon & her brother Seamie.
Sunday 23rd November.	4.00pm.	The Annual Service of Remembrance Ceremony.

Recently Deceased.

Malachy Connolly, Malkitt Cottage, Lurgans Hill, Carrickmacross.
Tom Cumiskey, Yorkshire, England (formerly Farney Street).
Mary Maguire, Ard Josaif, Newtownbutler Road, Clones.

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Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday 16th November.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	AM. Michael Hand, Corvalley & deceased members of the Hand family & Paddy & Eileen McDermott & deceased members of the McDermott family, Corvalley. AM. Tommy & Alice Culleton, Corcreagh & the Finnegan family, Carrickartagh & John & Mary Rushe formerly Dublin. AM. Patrick McCloskey, Carrickahogue.
Wednesday 19th November	Raferagh. 7.30pm.	Novena Mass for the Holy Souls. AM. Patrick (Paddy) Browne & deceased members of the Browne family, Coventry, England & Raferagh.
Sunday 23rd November.	Corduff. 11.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.

Masses for the month of November - Corduff / Raferagh.

November Masses for the Dead will be celebrated in Corduff/Raferagh on Wednesday at 7.30pm, alternating week about.

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

Raferagh: Wednesday 19th November at 7.30pm. **Corduff:** Wednesday 26th November at 7.30pm.



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.

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

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

Message of thanks and appreciation from St. Louis Sisters.

To all our friends in the parish of Machaire Rois, we send you our greetings and thoughts.

Our farewell Mass on Sat.25th Oct. was a truly memorable occasion for us filled with the Lord's Presence and with a wonderful community participation in friendship and goodwill.

The gathering later in Holy Family Hall, while tinged with sadness, brought us so much joy, sharing the warmth and genuine care and concern from you all. Thank you for the memories and be assured of our prayers. God bless you all. Love from Srs. Ann, Bridín and Pauline SSL.

St. Macartan's Cathedral Restoration – Special Diocesan-Wide Collection 15th & 16th

November: This weekend our parish participates in a Special Diocesan-Wide Collection for the restoration and preservation of St. Macartan's Cathedral. Bishop Larry Duffy has designated this weekend for the important appeal to help fund the extensive work. We have the opportunity to share in a significant legacy for generations to come. Please keep the success of the project in your prayers. Special envelopes are available at the back of the church for those who wish to give over the coming weeks. Please note, if you are making a donation by cheque, please make your cheque payable to *Diocese of Clogher*. For more information, or alternative ways to donate, see [://clogherdiocese.ie/cathedralrestoration-summer2025/](http://clogherdiocese.ie/cathedralrestoration-summer2025/) All donors will be remembered in a dedicated Mass of thanksgiving in St. Macartan's Cathedral (date to follow). Thank you.

Faith and Light Fiesta: Today Sunday the 16th November in Steadfast House at 3pm. All are welcome.

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The Annual Service of Remembrance Ceremony.

We would like to invite you and family members to join in the annual Service of Remembrance Ceremony, when we as a Faith Community can come together to remember your loved one, who died during the year.

This Service will take place on Sunday 23rd November 2025 in St. Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross at 4.00pm.

A candle will be lit in memory of your deceased family member, and this will be available for collection following the Service. You may wish to light this candle in your home on special family occasions, remembering your deceased.

A Candle and Bouquet of Flowers will be brought forward representing all our Deceased in our Parish and beyond.

"To those who believe in thee, O Lord, Life is changed, not taken away."

Magheracloone Mission of Hope. Sunday 16th November: 9.30am. Closing Mass in St Patrick's. Theme: Going Forward with Hope.

Knock Night Vigil: Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Bus leaving from the Shirley Arms, Carrickmacross at 6.00pm Sunday 7th December. For all details contact Maeve 0874139702

Eucharistic Procession in Derry on Sunday 23rd November Feast of Christ The King. Led by Bishop Donal Mc Keown, Holy Mass at 12, All welcome. Bus day trip leaving 8:00 Phoenix Car Park Carrickmacross, 8:20 Castleblayney Church, 8:40 Four Seasons Monaghan. Booking essential plus €20 deposit, contact Thomas 0851592603

Tusla Foster Carer: Have you ever thought about fostering? Change a child's life by becoming a Tusla Foster Carer. Talk to Tusla Fostering today by freephone 1800 226 771 or visit www.fostering.ie to learn more.

Medical Missionaries of Mary: Collect used postage stamps of any kind to help fund projects in missions where they work, such as in the slums in Nairobi, Kenya. It would be very helpful and much appreciated if you would collect your used stamps and when an envelope is full leave it for collection in either the Parish Office or Keegans, marked clearly MMM. Thank you in advance,

Department of Education Survey: The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland. It is important that those who wish for a change in patronage would have their voice heard. It is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic Education for their children and for those who would wish for sacramental preparation within school would have their voice heard also. For those reasons and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, please participate in this survey if you are a parent or a prospective parent of a Primary school student. The survey can be accessed at www.gov.ie/primaryschoolsurvey

Join the Pope John Paul II Award with Clogher don Óige: We are excited to let you know that Applications for the Pope John Paul II Award are now open. Young people over 16 are eligible. We have a strong tradition in the parish of young people participating and hope this will continue. Please visit our website where you will find the registration form - Clogher don Óige website: www.clogherdonoige.org. Parents and Grandparents please encourage participation in this worthwhile Award. If you have any questions, please email jp2award@clogherdonoige.org or telephone (047) 72784.

Clogher don Óige are holding a special young adult series event – **The Chosen** – a groundbreaking drama about the life of Jesus Christ, told through the eyes of those who knew Jesus. The event will be on Thursdays, starting 25th November 2025 until 29th January 2026 from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, Monaghan. This is a wonderful opportunity for young adults aged 18-40 to watch the series, take part in group discussions and sharing and experience prayer and fellowship. Registration is essential - contact info@clogherdonoige.org or call 047 72784.