

# The Parish Of Machaire Rois



**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026.**

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## **Weekly Reflection.**

### **Jesus' words to Martha and Mary.**

The words of Jesus to Martha and Mary are addressed to us all, 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.' Jesus is assuring us that the bond which our faith in him creates will not be broken by death. His friendship with us endures beyond the moment of physical death. If we are open to the gift of his friendship, even though we die, we will live, and, so, we will never die in the ultimate and final sense.

Jesus' mission is to bring life in its fullness - eternal life - to all, by offering his friendship to all, by drawing all into communion with himself. We will grieve the death of our loved ones, as Martha and Mary grieved the death of Lazarus, as Jesus himself wept at Lazarus' tomb, but because of our faith in Jesus, the Lord of life, there will always be hope at the heart of our grief, and we can face into our own death trusting in Jesus the resurrection and the life.

The gift and grace of Easter is **resurrection and new life**. It is the same gift and grace we taste and experience through the **Sacrament of Confession** - where the God of compassion and infinite mercy awaits our return and spreads a feast to welcome us home.

In the name of the parish, all are invited and will be welcomed when we gather in St. Joseph's on Palm Sunday Evening (March 29th - 5pm) for the Penance Service marking the beginning of Holy Week. May God who has begun this good work in us bring it to completion.

Fr. Owen Joe.

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<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Anna McCabe, Ballybay Road, Fr. Eugene McCabe, Patrick & Margaret McCabe, Tonaneave & deceased members of the McCabe family. <b>AM.</b> Tom Hughes, 11 Ardross Avenue.
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March.</b>	<b>6.00pm.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Anne & Michael Martin, Kilmactrasna. <b>AM.</b> Micheál Downey, Patrician Drive & his son Michael. <b>AM.</b> Patrick & Minnie Byrne, Cloughvalley Lower & their parents Annie & Patrick & deceased family members. <b>AM.</b> Patrick & Kathleen McMahon, Rockdaniel Road & their parents Patrick & Margaret. <b>AM.</b> Detta Doyle & her husband John, formerly 19 Ardross Avenue. <b>AM.</b> Janey Callan, Drumconrath Road. <b>AM.</b> Julia Shields & deceased members of the Shields family, 40 Cloughvalley.
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> AM.</b> Sheila McArdle, 22 Highfield, Carrickmacross. <b>AM.</b> Paddy Burns, Corcrin.
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Paddy O'Reilly, 24 Convent View. <b>AM.</b> James & Molly Duffy, Corcuillogue & their son Gerard & daughter Sheila Comer & her husband John. Also remembering Ann Stott & her daughter Cath & deceased members of the Duffy family. <b>Mass</b> for the deceased members of the Duffy & Hoey families, Main Street. <b>Remembrance Mass</b> Margaret Duddy, Manchester & late of Farney Street.
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>Mass</b> for recently deceased Gerry Carolan, Barley Hill, Kingscourt.
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>AM.</b> Deceased Logan family, Cuchullian Terrace & the O'Byrne family, Laragh.
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>AM.</b> Margaret Rushe & deceased members of the Rushe family, Corduff.
<b>Thursday 26<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 27<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 28<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Elizabeth Hand, Ardee Road.
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>6.00pm.</b>	<b>Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday.</b> <b>AM.</b> Kevin Conroy, Beech Drive, Carrickmacross. <b>AM.</b> John O'Reilly, Ashley House, Shercock Road.
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>Mass of Palm Sunday.</b> <b>Mass For the People of the Parish.</b>
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>  <b>5.00pm.</b>	<b>Mass of Palm Sunday.</b> <b>AM.</b> Frank Marron. Ardross Avenue. <b>AM.</b> Jeanne McNally, Drumconrath Road <b>Easter Confessions - Penitential Service.</b>


**Recently Deceased.** Bernard Jeffrey, Emmet Road. Eamonn Boylan, Derryolam Court. John Keenan, Drumberagh, Laragh. Teresa Murphy, (née Dowd), Castleblayney.

**Palm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March:** Palm will be blessed at each of the Masses.  
(Please bring your own Palm.)

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**Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh. Sunday at 11am (alternating)**  
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<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.</b>	<b>Raferagh. 11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Patsy & Kathleen Farrelly, Lisdrumturk & deceased family members.
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Raferagh. 7.30pm.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b>
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Corduff. 11.00am.</b>	<b>Mass of Palm Sunday.</b> <b>AM.</b> Peter Byrne, Sreenty, his wife Kathleen & deceased members of the Byrne Family. <b>AM.</b> Peter Burns, Coraghy & deceased members of the Burns Family. <b>AM.</b> Tommy & May Marron, Umerafree & their gran-daughter Marie Capaldi


	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Joseph's.)</u></b>  The Blessed Sacrament Chapel opening hours are as follows.  <b>Monday: 9am. - 10am. Tuesday: 9am. - 7pm. Wednesday: 9am.10am. Thursday: 8am. - 10am. Friday: 8am. - 10am. Saturday 10am. - 11am. and 5pm. – 6pm. Sunday 1pm. - 6pm.</b></p>
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**The BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL will be open directly after the 7.15am Mass on Thursday and Friday mornings during Lent.**

**Confessions in St Joseph's Church.**  
**Easter Penance Service** (Confessions) in St Joseph's on Palm Sunday Evening, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 5pm  
**Confessions** in St Joseph's on Saturdays after the 11am Mass – and the Eve of the First Friday (Thursday) after the 10am Mass.

**Easter Confessions – St. Joseph's, Palm Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.**

Our Lent will not be complete unless we avail of the Sacrament of God's mercy. Think of God's mercy waiting for you, like the Prodigal Son's father waiting for his child's return. Come in humble honesty to acknowledge your faults and failings. There is no need to torture yourself because God already knows your sins. By putting words on them, you are accepting responsibility for where you have fallen down. Humbly acknowledge the areas of life where you feel you should improve. Let the merciful Father embrace you. Relax in God's gentleness. Confession is not meant to be a torture chamber. It is the banquet of God's mercy. At the end of the banquet there is music and dancing. There is music in the wonderful words of absolution. And the dancing will be in the joy of your heart. (taken from Gospel *Reflections and Prayers* by Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap.)

	<p><b>St Joseph's Triduum 2026. Schedule</b> Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May. Mass 10am Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 7.30pm Wednesday &amp; Friday. 7.30pm Thursday Eucharistic Healing. Confession each morning after 10am mass. St Joseph Candles on sale 9<sup>th</sup> April €2.50 each. Fr Maurice Colgan OP., will lead the Triduum. He is a Dublin based Irish Dominican friar and is involved in youth ministry.</p>
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**South Monaghan Pioneer Council:** A presentation of Pioneer Pins, Certificates for 10, 25, 50 & 60 years Membership & Certificates for 40 years will take place on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April at the 6pm Mass in St Joseph's Church Carrickmacross. It is requested that anyone wanting to have the Pins etc., please leave your name with the contacts below please by Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2026 in order to get Pins etc. ready. Contact Patrick on 0896232. Jim on 087 6734553 for further information.

**A meeting of the south Monaghan Pioneers** will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 8 pm in Teach Ui Bhriain (Inside Church Grounds of St Joseph's church Carrickmacross)

**A meeting of the Clogher Diocesan Pioneer Council** will take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 8pm in the Millenium Centre in Donagh Co. Fermanagh. **South Monaghan Pioneers** will hold an Annual Meal in the Shirley Arms on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 7pm.

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## Holy Week 2026 – Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday.

<b>Palm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026.</b>		
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>Sat. 6.00pm.</b>	<b>Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday.</b>
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>Mass of Palm Sunday.</b>
<b>St Michael's, Corduff.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>Mass of Palm Sunday.</b>
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<b>Mass of Palm Sunday.</b>
<b>St Joseph's Church.</b>	<b>5.00pm.</b>	<b>Penitential Service / Confessions.</b>

*Palm will be blessed at each of the Masses, with parishioners bringing their own Palm.*

**Monday to Wednesday of Holy Week – Mass in St. Joseph's at 7.15am & 10am & Corduff on Wednesday at 7.30pm.**

<b>Holy Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2026.</b>		
<b>St. Macartan's Cathedral.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>The Chrism Mass.</b>
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>7.30pm.</b>	<b>Mass of The Lord's Supper, ending with the transfer of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose, concluding with Night Prayer at 10pm.</b>

*Trócaire Boxes / Envelopes will be part of the Offertory at the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday.*

<b>Good Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026.</b>		
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>3.00pm.</b>	<b>Celebration of The Lord's Passion.</b>
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>7.30pm.</b>	<b>Celebration of The Lord's Passion.</b>
<b>St Michael's Corduff.</b>	<b>7.30pm.</b>	<b>Celebration of The Lord's Passion.</b>

<b>Holy Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup> 2026.</b>		
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>9.00pm.</b>	<b>The Easter Vigil.</b> <small>(Please note – No 6pm evening Mass).</small>

<b>Easter Sunday April 5<sup>th</sup> 2026.</b>		
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.</b>
<b>St John's, Raferagh.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.</b>
<b>St Joseph's.</b>	<b>12.Noon.</b>	<b>Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.</b>

**Trócaire 2026:** Our Trócaire Box this year has a photograph of Uwamahoro and her family outside their crumbling home in Rwanda. **"We share one cup, one plate, one saucepan. we share everything"** Uwamahoro says. In Rwanda what used to be rare, once-in-a-generation storms now return every year, before families can even recover from the last. Your donation could help rebuild homes destroyed by floods – repairing storm damage, providing water tanks, planting kitchen gardens and supporting woman to diversify their income. It could supply stoves for cooking and gardens to keep children fed. **Please give what you can by donating online at [trocaire.org/box](http://trocaire.org/box), calling freephone 1800 408 408 or returning your Trócaire Box to your local school or parish by Easter Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026.**

**Senior Citizens Party:** There will be no party in April owing to Holy Week. Our next party will be in May. Wishing all a very Happy Easter.

**Céilí in Corduff/Raferagh:** Community Centre on Friday March 27th. Dancing from 9 to 12. Music by the Michael Duffy Céilí Band. Admission €10, including refreshments. Everyone welcome.