

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025. A copy of this weekend's readings are available in the church. (Beside Newsletter).

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### **Weekly Reflection.**

#### Remembering Our Beloved Dead.

The last line of today's Gospel reading is Jesus saying to the man who died next to him on Calvary Hill, 'Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.' The Annual Remembrance Service for all who have died in our parish since this time last year is being held in St. Joseph's Church, today Sunday, 23rd November at 4pm - with everybody welcome to come and join in this very special remembrance.

Writing in this month's issue of *The Sacred Heart Messenger*, Jesuit priest, Fr Jim Corkery had this to say: Love is in my mind as I address the question I was asked to write about this November: **why pray for the dead?** The best reason to pray for the dead is our love for them, especially because this love lives on in us. Even though they have gone where we cannot go, and we miss them terribly, we love them still, and we wish them to be happy and to be remembered with tender love. Spontaneously, therefore, we pray for them - for their well-being in a life that we do not know. We act as if they were still with us, because we are aware of them all around us. There is something of enormous importance here: the living and the dead are not radically separated from one another, living in two totally different realms that never touch. Rather we remain with our loved ones when they go to God, and they remain with us, even though they have departed this life. Death indeed separates us but without removing us from one another completely. This is where praying for the dead begins to make particular sense.

Our parish community praying for our beloved dead and for all who are experiencing incredible loss and heart-break at this time - that they will be comforted.

Fr. Owen Joe.

Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November.	6.00pm.	Month's Memory: Maura McEntee, Mullinary, Carrickmacross.  Month's Memory: Kathleen Brady, Rockdaniel Road.  AM. John Smith, Dublin & formerly Corduff.  AM. Eamon Carolan, 23 Rockdaniel Road.  AM. Deirdre Hand, Convent View.  AM. Madge Waters, Cloughvalley.
		<b>AM.</b> Brendan & Owen Winters & deceased members of the Winters & Lenehan families, 36 Drummond Etra. <b>AM.</b> 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.
		AM. Jim Brady, Bailieborough.
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November.	9.30am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
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Sunday23 <sup>rd</sup> November.	4.00pm.	The Annual Service of Remembrance Ceremony.
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	10.00am.	Novena Mass for the Holy Souls.
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	10.00am.	AM. Eileen & Sean Hand & Martin & Cassie Finnegan, Corduff.
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## Feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Christ the King) – 100th Anniversary.

Today, the last Sunday of the Church's Liturgical Year is marked as the Feast of Christ the King. This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this feast which Pope Pius XI first proclaimed towards the end of the Holy or Jubilee Year 1925. As with all of the liturgical seasons and feasts, Christ is at the heart of our prayer and our devotion. Christ, the crucified King, whose throne is both on the Cross and in every human heart has won for us a place in eternal life by reconciling all things to himself. In his own words, his kingdom is not of this world. Rather, it is rooted in faith, in love, justice and peace. May we never forget that by our baptism we are royal people sharing in the kingdom of Christ – all of us as priests, prophets and kings.

#### **Recently Deceased.**

Ann (Anni) Kilgallon, Monkstown, Dublin & formerly Kilmactrasna, Carrickmacross.

Margaret Traynor, Drumgurra, Corduff.

Kevin Kelly, Dublin.

Tommy Keenan, Crover, Broomfield.

Rosemary Tully, New Jersey, USA.

**Dr. Peter Moran,** Canada/Farney Street, Carrickmacross.

Chloe McGee, Barnadonagh, Carrickmacross.

Alan McCluskey, Drumconrath, Co Meath.

Shay Duffy, Mullyore, Carrickmacross.

**Dylan Commins**, Ardee, Co Louth.

**Chloe Hipson**, Lanarkshire, Scotland.

## **Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.**

Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November.	Corduff. 11.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
Wednesday	Corduff.	Novena Mass for the Holy Souls.
26 <sup>th</sup> November	7.30pm.	Remembrance Mass: Michael & Elizabeth Sweeney.
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> November.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	AM. Patrick, Maureen & Peter McKeown & Anna Manning, Coraghy.
		<b>AM.</b> Peter Marron, Ardragh & deceased family members.
		AM. Fr. Joe & Tommy McCluskey & deceased members of the
		McCluskey family, Carrickahogue.



## Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Joseph's.)

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel opening hours are as follows.

Monday: 9am. - 10am. <u>Tuesday</u>: 9am. - 7pm. <u>Wednesday</u>: 9am.10am. <u>Thursday</u>: 8am. - 10am. <u>Friday</u>: 8am. - 10am. <u>Saturday</u> 10am. - 11am. and 5pm. - 6pm. <u>Sunday</u> 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.

## The Annual 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 today Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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."

**Annual Ecumenical Mass:** For the deceased members, relatives & friends of Mannan Castle Golf Club, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in Mannan Castle Club House. All welcome.

**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.

<u>St Vincent De Paul</u>: Church Gate Collection Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at St Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross and on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at St John's Church Raferagh.

**St. Macartan's Cathedral Restoration —Diocesan-Wide Appeal:** Bishop Larry Duffy wishes to express his gratitude to everyone in our parish for their generous support in last week's special collection in aid of St. Macartan's Cathedral restoration. Your participation will ensure this sacred and historic treasure is in sound physical shape to continue serving the needs of our collective faith community. 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/ All donors will be remembered in a dedicated Mass of thanksgiving in St. Macartan's Cathedral (date to follow). Thank you.

<u>Carrickmacross Library</u>: Join us in the Carrickmacross Library on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm as Irish Times diarist, Frank McNally returns to Carrickmacross to launch his new book, 'Not Making Hay: the life and deadlines of a dairy farmer.' To book call 0429661148 or email <u>Carrickmacrosslibrary@monaghancoco.ie</u>

Mary's Meals: provides life-changing school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The meals make it possible for hungry children to come to school and give them the energy they need to concentrate and participate in class. It costs just €22 .00 to provide a child with meals in a place of education for a whole school year. We would like to express our thanks and acknowledge the most recent donations totaling €1,570.00 to Mary Meals. Anyone who wishes to give to this Charity can leave their donation in the Parish Office.

**The Fr Noel Conlon Charitable Trust** would like to thank everyone who contributed so generously to the June 2025 walk in September which raised a total of €6,050 for the Alzheimer's Society. A special word of thanks to Christopher Conlon for kindly providing the refreshments afterwards. We also wish to acknowledge and thank all who donated to the September walk. Your continued support enabled us to contribute €2,000 to the Carrickmacross Cancer Society and €2,000 to Castleblayney Night Nursing. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated.

<u>3rd Year Reaghstown Tractor Car & Bike Run</u>: in aid of Carrick Cancer Society & Ardee Hospice Homecare on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 1.00pm, at Westerns GFC ROOMS. A92 A99F. Entry Fee €20. Registration from 12noon. Run starts at 1.00pm. Free draw for all participants. Refreshments, Raffles, Spot Prizes and Auction. Everyone Welcome.

**Advent Service in St. Patrick's Church, Bawn, A75 FY98**, on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. It's a lovely way to prepare for Christmas and we ask you to bring along your children and grandchildren to join in the carols on the night. Refreshments will be served afterwards. Please come and join us on the night.

<u>Scoil Phadraig Corduff</u>: Thank you very much, to all who attended and donated to the Coffee Morning for Scoil Phadraig on Sunday 8th of November. It was a great success and your donations and support helps hugely. Thanks to all the parents, Corduff Centre committee members and everyone who baked and helped out. Also, thanks to all the sponsors and people who donated prizes, your contributions were greatly appreciated.

#### For Attention of Parents of children attending Primary Schools or have yet to start.

The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025.

See - https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/

<u>Clogher don Óige</u> 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 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025 until 29<sup>th</sup> 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.

<u>Medical Missionaries of Mary</u>: 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,

<u>Tusla Foster Carer</u>: Have you ever thought about fostering? Change a child's life by becoming a Tusla Foster Carer. Talk to Tusla Fostering

<u>Divine Mercy Conference RDS Dublin 2026</u>: A coach will travel from the old Magnet Cinema Dundalk to the RDS in Dublin on Saturday, February 28th, 2026, *further details:* please contact Laurena on 0851833110

today by freephone 1800 226 771 or visit www.fostering.ie to learn more.

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.