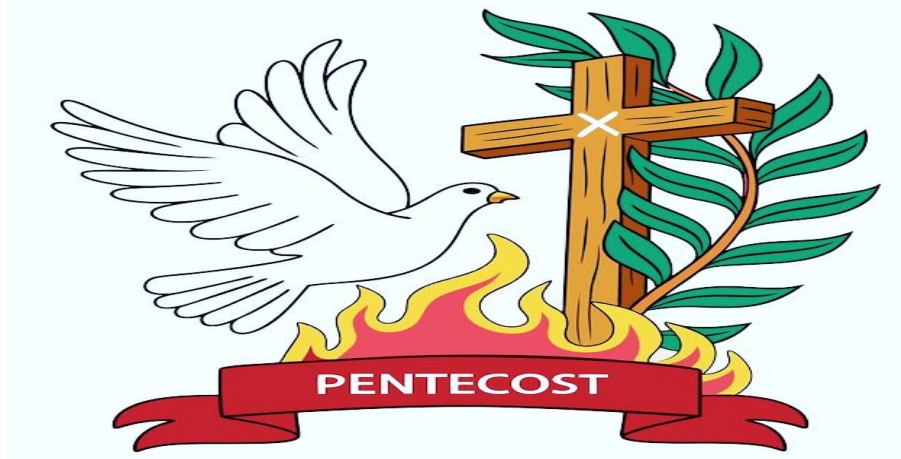


The Parish Of Machaire Rois



Sunday 24th May 2026.

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

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Weekly Reflection.

'From fracture to purpose'

I had the privilege this week of celebrating graduation Mass with the Leaving Cert students in both the Patrician High School and St. Louis' Secondary School. The theme of my homily was that as young adults these men and women are being confronted by challenges in a fractured society that will test them in ways they have not experienced before. I told them that they need not be afraid of these challenges because in the six years spent in their respective schools, they learned much more than the core subjects on the syllabus. Through the Catholic faith they were being equipped to live in a world where they would lead lives that are examined and generous and purposeful. The questions posed by our fractured world demands answers that show resilience in clarity, compassion and courage, based not on abstract philosophies, but on the person of Jesus Christ.

Pentecost was the occasion of the coming of the Holy Spirit on the frightened Apostles of Jesus. With the Spirit these disciples of Jesus went from the fractured uncertainty of the locked room to the purposeful mission of establishing the church.

Our leaving cert students can follow in the footsteps of the first disciples of Jesus through the gifts of the same Holy Spirit. They too have an identity and a morality of purpose that moves from chaos to discernment, from uncertainty to compassion and love.

We wish them every success in their exams and in the choice they make about their future, going in faith from fracture to purpose.

Fr Shane.

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Sat 23rd May.	11.00am.	First Holy Communion for the Children of St. Joseph's National School.
Saturday 23rd May.	6.00pm.	<p>1st AM. Patrick Dunne, 25 Cloughvalley, Carrickmacross.</p> <p>AM. Thomas, Annie & Seamus McNamee, Lurgans & Thomas, Margaret, Gerard & Mary Malone, Lurgans.</p> <p>AM. Tom, Nancy, Tim & Kevin McCartney, Ardee Road, Patsy & Mary McCabe, O'Neill Street, Jim & Eileen Oliver, Drummond Etra, Alan & Bridget Oliver, Ballybay & Patrick & Alice McCabe, Lisagoan.</p> <p>AM. Margaret Walsh-McMahon, Barleyhill, Kingscourt.</p> <p>Birthday Remembrance: Madeleine Birdy, Lurgans.</p>
Sun 24th May.	9.30am.	Month's Memory: Trish (Patricia) O'Rourke, 13 Convent View.
Sunday 24th May.	12Noon.	<p>AM. Pat Cusack, Cloughvalley Lower & deceased members of the Cusack & McCabe families.</p> <p>AM. Henry & Maisie Boylan & their daughter Mary Cordova, Trostan.</p> <p>AM. Donal & Irene McQuillan & their daughter Dearbhail McQuillan-Irwin.</p> <p>AM. Peter Rock, Mullinary & his parents Tim & Kathleen Rock-Barr.</p> <p>AM. Luke & Mary McEaney, Dunanny, Donaghmoyne & deceased family members.</p>
Mon 25th May.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Tues 26th May.	10.00am.	AM. Elizabeth & John Carolan, baby Mona Angela & deceased members of the Carolan family, 26 Cloughvalley.
Wed 27th May.	10.00am.	AM. Martin & Cassie Finnegan & Eileen & Sean Hand, Corduff.
Thurs 28th May.	10.00am.	AM. Patrick & Alice McCahey & deceased family members, Claire Carson & John McEntee & deceased members of the Carroll family.
Friday 29th May.	10.00am.	AM. Joe & Jeanie Scotson & deceased family members, Donaghmoyne Road.
Sat 30th May.	11.00am.	Month's Memory: Eddie Martin, 48 Drummond Etra & late of Derrynascobe, Magheracloone & remembering his sister Margaret Felton, England.
Saturday 30th May.	6.00pm.	<p>AM. Patrick & Evelyn Mooney, Corduff.</p> <p>AM. Mae & John Kiernan & their son Martin Kiernan & Mary Ann Shevlin, Mullinary.</p> <p>AM. Don & Kathleen Byrne, Mullinary, their daughters Mary Byrne & Ann Kelly & Ann's husband Tom.</p> <p>AM. Christopher Fealy, Aghalile, Carrickmacross.</p> <p>AM. Eilish Swinburne, 3 Ballybay Road.</p>
Sun 31st May.	9.30am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
Sunday 31st May.	12Noon.	<p>AM. Joe & Christina Rooney, Shercock Road.</p> <p>AM. Teddy & Molly Baldwin, their son Tom & daughters Frances & Joan, Bridge Street.</p> <p>AM. Francie Walsh, Dundalk Road.</p>

Recently Deceased.

Maureen Hughes, (née McMahon) Kellystown, Coolderry, Meath Hill & formerly Donaghmoyne.
May McMahon, (née O'Connor) Anney, Latton.


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Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh. Sunday at 11am (alternating)
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Sunday 24th May.	Corduff. 11.00am.	AM. Philip & Alice Traynor, Drumgurra & deceased members of the Traynor family. AM. Bridie & Patrick Connolly, Corkishbane, their son Gerard & son in law Neil. AM. Molly Keelan, Greaghlatacapple.
Wednesday 27th May.	Raferagh. 7.30pm	7.00pm. May Procession in honour of Our Lady. AM. Joe & Lil McEaney, Corcreagh.
Sunday 31st May.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.

Raferagh May Procession: The Annual May Procession in honour of Our Lady will take place in Raferagh on **this coming Wednesday May 27th at 7.00pm.** We encourage you to join the procession on the road to the Grotto. The Rosary will be recited and Hymns sung, **followed by Mass at 7.30pm.** We extend a special invitation to the children of the parish who made their First Holy Communion and Confirmation to join us in the Procession. **Please note** that the Mass on Wednesday 27th May in Raferagh at 7.30pm is available for the booking of Anniversaries.

Corduff Grotto: The Rosary will be prayed at our Lady's Grotto each evening at 8pm during the month of May.

	<p style="text-align: center;">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.</p>
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Annual Procession with the Blessed Sacrament 2026.

This year's procession will take place on **today Sunday 24th May at 3pm.** We encourage you to join the procession and welcome you to decorate your homes and windows and to join us in prayer as we pass your household, or as you stand along the route, if you do not wish to walk the full route. We would also like to extend a warm welcome to the children of our Faith Community, who celebrated the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year, to also join in the procession.

Procession Route 2026.

The route this year will be as follows, starting from St Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross at 3pm - turning left to Donaghmoyn Road, left via Cloughvalley, turning left on to the Castleblayney Road toward Main Street, turn left at Main Street towards O'Neill Street back to St Joseph's. Benediction will take place outside St Joseph's Church at approximately 4pm.

Sacrament of Confirmation & First Holy Communion: Congratulations to the children who were confirmed on Saturday 2nd May by Bishop Larry Duffy. We also congratulate the children who have received their First Holy Communion in the past weeks. We pray that the Lord will keep them faithful to him in the years ahead. Our thanks to the class teachers, the parents, and others who helped them prepare for the sacraments. Our gratitude to the Choirs and all who prepared and decorated the church and participated in any way to make the day a memorable one for all.

Cemetery Sunday – The Blessing of the Graves.

St Joseph's Carrickmacross:	Sunday 5 th July.	(directly after 12Noon. Mass.)
St John's Raferagh:	Sunday 12 th July.	(directly after 11am. Mass.)
St Michael's Corduff:	Sunday 19 th July.	(directly after 11am. Mass.)

(Please bring Holy Water)

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Mass of Thanksgiving to mark Bishop Larry Duffy's Golden Jubilee of Priesthood will be celebrated in St Macartan's Cathedral, Monaghan on **Sunday 14th June** at 3pm. Everyone is welcome and each parish is asked to have representation at the Mass. Refreshments afterwards in the Hillgrove Hotel.

Machaire Rois Parish Liturgy Committee is organising a Bus to St. Macartan's Cathedral, Monaghan for the Mass of Thanksgiving to mark Bishops Larry's Golden Jubilee of Priesthood on Sunday 14th June at 3pm. Bus leaving Carrickmacross at 1.30pm. Pick up points and times at a later date. To book your seat contact the Parish Office 0429661231 Monday to Friday 10am to 12.30pm, or Michael Callan on 0879648434 or Rosario Naughton on 0879373899.

St. Joseph's Cemetery: In preparation for the annual 'Blessing of the Graves' on Sun 5th July '26, the Cemetery Committee is organising four 'Volunteering Saturdays' in June '26 as follows:

- Sat 6th June '26 - from 9.00am to 2.00pm.
- Sat 13th June '26 - from 9.00am to 2.00pm.
- Sat 20th June '26 - from 9.00am to 2.00pm.
- Sat 27th June '26 - from 9.00am to 2.00pm.

Please mark in your diary and come along to the Cemetery on these dates to assist with strimming, weeding, lawning etc. as we continue to make St. Joseph's Cemetery a fitting resting place for our dearly departed loved ones. Many thanks in advance, Signed: Cemetery Committee

The 41st All Ireland Rosary Rally Knock will take place on Saturday 6th June. Holy Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin who will reconsecrate Ireland to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. For Bus details contact Eileen 0877659398 or Marian 0872709683.

2026 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Booking for the pilgrimage will close on **Friday 6th June.** Booking forms from Pilgrims and Assisted pilgrims should be returned to the pilgrimage secretary - John Hueston at 028677 24329 (from north) & 048 67724329 (from south) **before 31st May.** Pilgrim fare - €1,100 per person (excludes €40 coach transfer to/from airport). Assisted pilgrim fare €1,100 (Includes travel insurance & coach transfer to/from airport). Visit www.lourdes2clogher.com.

Charity Walk in Aid of the Irish Kidney Association Support Centre at Beaumont Hospital.

he Fr Noel Conlon Charitable Trust is hosting a charity walk on Sunday, 7th June, starting from the Inniskeen Community Centre. Registration: 10:30am. Walk Starts: 11:00am. Registration Fee: €25. All proceeds from the walk will go to the Irish Kidney Association Support Centre at Beaumont Hospital. Refreshments in the community centre after the walk. Contact Fr Noel Conlon on 042 9378678.

The Padre Pio Glove will be at Cuan Mhuire, Ballybay on Monday the 1st June 2026 from 11am. Please contact Cuan Mhuire Ballybay for more details.

Songs of the Stage & Screen featuring Starling Blue, The Farney Singers & An Lochrann Linn Brass Band. An entertaining evening of music & song with proceeds to Carrick Cancer Society. Tickets available in Birdy's Newsagents. Event takes place on Saturday June 6th in Nuremore Estate Hotel at 8pm.

St Enda's Prayer Group Stonetown: Monday 25th May Confession's at 7pm sharp, Adoration, Holy Mass at 7.30pm (Please fill out your Petitions beforehand) Two Priests in attendance. **Thursday 28th May** Divine Mercy at 7pm sharp Holy Mass with Cardinal Seán Brady at 7.30pm and blessing with relic's in Stonetown National School A91 X923.

Clogher don Óige will host a Summer Camp under the patronage of Carlo Acutis at St. Joseph's Pastoral Centre, Monaghan, from Tuesday 14th to Thursday 16th July 2026, running daily from 10:00am to 3:00pm. This promises to be an engaging "Carlo Camp" filled with fun, faith, and friendship, specially designed for children aged 10 to 13 years. The cost is €15 per child. Booking is available online at: www.clogherdonoige.org

Clogher don Óige invites young people (15-17) to join them on pilgrimage to Taizé this summer. 8-17 August, €670. Last few places remaining. More details: www.clogherdonoige.org/taize2026

Lisdoonan Vintage and Heritage Club will be holding their annual Vintage Tractor Car run on Sunday 31st May. €20 a vehicle. Strictly vintage pre-2000. Leaving Lisdoonan community centre at 1pm.-registration from 12noon.

Friends of Carrick Cancer Society 2026 Campaign. The Flora Mini Marathon will take place on Sunday, 31st May. Committee members, *Pat McNally 0874130727 - Majella Hoey 0872975326 - James Lambe 087 6329620 - Doreen McNulty 0874826990 and Grainne McNally 0872506045.*