

The Parish Of Machaire Rois



Sunday 8th March 2026.

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Weekly Reflection.

Trócaire – the next storm

Trócaire's campaign this year speaks of the next storm which could devastate so many lives in Africa. The continent suffers extremes of droughts and floods. In both instances access to clean drinking water becomes a matter of life and death.

Today there are millions of people in the world who are insecure due to lack of fresh, clean water. Trócaire is working to provide "wells of clean water", thousands upon thousands of women and girls spend all day walking to and from distant supplies of often unclean water.

We can help to alter this – we are roughly halfway through our Lenten journey – let us renew our commitment to the Trócaire collection – and stand in solidarity with those who suffer and thirst for water, by giving generously.

In the Gospel today the woman asks Jesus to "give me water so that I may not be thirsty".

We can provide water to those who are thirsty by giving generously to Trócaire.

Fr Shane.

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Saturday 7th March.	11.00am.	Birthday Remembrance: Tommy McKenna, Corcuillogue.
Saturday 7th March.	6.00pm.	<p>AM. Maureen Kiernan, Lurgans.</p> <p>AM. Francie & Tess Gartlan, Magheross.</p> <p>AM. Francie McGivney, Castleblayney Road.</p> <p>AM. Tom & Sue Hanratty, Cloughvalley, Pat & Mary Small, Mullaghbawn, Co. Armagh, Patsy & Patrick Ross, Mullinary, & deceased members of the Hanratty, Gillick, Ross, Small & McVerry families.</p> <p>AM. Jimmy & Catherine Chambers, Dunogue & John Chambers, Camp, Tralee</p> <p>AM. Harry Chambers, Tirogarvan.</p> <p>AM. Paddy & Alice O'Rourke, Magheross & deceased members of the O'Rourke family, Killanny & Gartlan family, Magheross.</p>
Sunday 8th March.	9.30am.	AM. Peadar McEneaney, Rockdaniel Road & Annie & John McEneaney, Pearse Avenue.
Sunday 8th March.	12Noon.	<p>Month's Memory: Rose Fealy, Crann Nua.</p> <p>AM. Margaret (Peggy) Walsh, 78 Cloughvalley.</p> <p>AM. Kay Daly (née Maggs) & deceased members of the Maggs & Daly families.</p> <p>AM. Frank & Babs Jones & deceased members of the Jones, Scotson & Naughton families, Church Street.</p> <p>AM. Bridie & James McNally, Mullinary.</p>
Monday 9th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	<p>Mass for Lent.</p> <p>AM. Agnes & George Wilson, Parnell Street, Annie & Benny Keenan & deceased members of the Keenan & Garvey families.</p>
Tuesday 10th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	<p>Mass for Lent.</p> <p>Mass for Lent.</p>
Tuesday 10th March	7.00pm.	St. Joseph's Boys National School First Confessions.
Wednesday 11th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	<p>Mass for Lent.</p> <p>AM. Brian Duffy, Drummond Etra.</p> <p>AM. Michael & Peggy Curley, Castleblayney Road.</p> <p>AM. Sean & Maisie Nolan, Pearse Avenue, their daughter Geraldine Cumiskey, her husband Ollie, Crossmaglen & deceased members of the Nolan & Ross families.</p>
Thursday 12th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	<p>Mass for Lent.</p> <p>AM. Sheila & Laurence McNally, Ballybay Road, Kay & Dessie Finann & Sheila Doyle, Dublin.</p> <p>Remembrance Mass. Anna McGardle, Lisgall, Carrickmacross.</p>
Friday 13th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	<p>Mass for Lent.</p> <p>Mass for Lent.</p>
Saturday 14th March.	11.00am.	<p>1st AM. Kevin (Ollie) Martin, Rossdreenagh.</p> <p>AM. Jimmy Scotson 'The Splink', Mullinary.</p> <p>AM. Mary Fennell, 1 The Bridge, Mullinary.</p>
Saturday 14th March.	6.00pm.	<p>AM. Kitty & Brian Hand, St Macartan's Villas & deceased members of the Hand & Keenan families.</p> <p>AM. Oliver Murray, Ardee Road.</p> <p>AM. Peter & Mary Malone, Drumbroagh & Deceased family members, Phil, Katie & Paddy Callan, Cornasassanagh & deceased family members.</p> <p>AM. Mary McConnon, 11 Drummond Etra.</p>

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Sunday 15th March.	9.30am.	AM. John Malone, Woodlands, Brian & Josie Scanlon & their daughter-in-law Leslie Scanlon, England. AM. James & Teresa Fox 21 Cuchullian Terrace & their son Thomas & deceased members of the Fox & McDaniel families. AM. Frank, Annie & Breda Cunningham & deceased members of the Cunningham & Culleton families, Tividinna.
Sunday 15th March.	12Noon.	AM. Bernadette Slevin & remembering her husband Gerard & their son Carl, Lisgall. AM. Danny & Maggie O'Donoghue & deceased members of the O'Donoghue & Marron families Corlea, Magheraclone. AM. Michael Murtagh, Leggiemore. AM. Jim Gartlan & remembering his wife Mary & his parents Pat & Elizabeth, Dundalk Road. AM. Paddy Marron, Donaghmoyn Road. AM. Seamus Hanratty, Dundalk Road.

Recently Deceased: Thomas (Tommy) Jackson, Tullynaskeagh East, Carrickmacross.
Pat (Patrick) Kearney, Ballintra, Inniskeen.
Ann Carolan, Carlanstown, Kells, Co Meath.

Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh. Sunday at 11am (alternating)
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Sunday 8th March.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	AM. Michael & Ellen Culleton, Greaghlonge. AM. Kathleen, Paddy & Mick Culleton, Corcreagh & deceased members of the Culleton family. AM. Pat & Maureen McEnaney, Raferagh & remembering Mary & Jim McEnaney, Corcreagh & Pete McEnaney, Ardragh & deceased members of the McEnaney & Smith families.
Wednesday 11th March.	Raferagh. 7.30pm.	Mass for Lent.
Sunday 15th March.	Corduff. 11.00am.	AM. Pat Joe & Ellie Finnegan & deceased family members, Lisacullion. AM. Eugene & Bridget Connolly & their sons Fr. Eugene, John & Michael, Corkishbane.



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.

The BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL will be open directly after the 7.15am Mass on Thursday and Friday mornings during Lent.

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

Confessions in St Joseph's Church.

Easter Penance Service (Confessions) in St Joseph's on Palm Sunday Evening, March 29th 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.

Masses for St Patrick's Day Machaire Rois Parish.

St Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross: Tuesday 17th March 9.30am & 12Noon.
St John's Church, Raferagh: Tuesday 17th March 11.00am.

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Masses for Lent in Machaire Rois Parish.

St Joseph's Church Carrickmacross: Monday – Friday at 7.15am & 10am & Saturdays at 11am.

Corduff/Raferagh: Wednesday Evening Masses for Lent at 7.30pm.

Corduff: March 18th & April 1st.

Raferagh: Wednesday March 11th & 25th

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

The Celebration of the Scrutinies.

Over the next three weeks of Lent, our parish will celebrate the Scrutinies for those in the RCIA process preparing for the Easter Sacraments. These ancient rites are a period of 'purification and enlightenment', during which the Church asks God to free those preparing for Baptism from the deceits of the world, filling them instead with the spirit of Christ and the strength of the Holy Spirit. They are designed to 'Scrutinise' the hearts of the Elect—not to find fault, but to uncover all that is upright and heal all that is weak. Please keep **Evita** and **Sara** in your prayers as they seek a deeper conversion to Christ.

St. Louis Secondary School – 5th Class Subject Sampling Day: St. Louis Secondary School is delighted to once again offer 5th class girls the opportunity to take part in the first stage of our Transfer Programme, with a Subject Sampling Day taking place on Thursday, 12th March, from 9.10am. to 3.00pm. Further information and the registration link are available on our school website. Booking is essential, as places are limited.

Bunscoil Lughaidh Naofa are accepting enrolments for Junior Infants for the academic year 2026/2027. Please see the school website at www.bunscoil.ie or contact the school at office@bunscoil.ie 042 9661808 for more details.

Pioneer Council: those who wish to take the Temporary Pledge for Lent can ring Pat on 0894916232 or email southmonaghanpioneers@gmail.com at any time.

South Monaghan Pioneers will hold a meeting on Tuesday 10 March 2026 at 8pm in Teach Uí Bhriain (Inside church grounds). All pioneers are invited to attend.

2026 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Booking for the pilgrimage is now open. Pilgrims and Assisted pilgrims should contact the pilgrimage secretary - John Hueston at 028677 24329 (from north) & 048 67724339 (from south) or booking forms can be downloaded at website - www.lourdes2clogher.com. 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)

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

Monaghan Branch Parkinson's Group Table Quiz on Friday 13th March in the Mountain Dew, Corduff (A81 A263) at 8.30 pm sharp. €20 per table. Auction and Raffle on the night. Refreshments served. Your support would be very much appreciated.

Volunteers wanted for Irish Cancer Society Daffodil Day on Friday 20th March 2026. Carrickmacross Cancer Society is seeking helpers to support this important annual fundraiser for people affected by cancer. If you can spare some time, please contact Geraldine Oliver (PRO CCS) on 087 6329314. Thank you.

Carrickmacross Library is showing Ted McCarthy's short 30-minute film on Carrickmacross native Daniel A. McGovern on Thurs 12th March at 7pm. Daniel photographed the aftermath of the Hiroshima and Nakasaki bombings. This will be followed by a talk from Joe McCabe, local author of the Daniel A McGovern biography, 'Rebel to Reels'. All welcome.

Aclint Drama Group's: After 2 full-houses & "rapturous receptions" from both audiences; "Aclint Drama Group's" production of "Widow's Paradise" (a three-act comedy by Sam Cree) is on Friday March 20th & Saturday March 21st in The Bohemian Centre, Ardee, Co. Louth A92 F668. Tickets €15 (cash only) on the door; Door opens at 7.30pm; Curtain-up 8pm (sharp). All proceeds - Ardee & District Cancer Support Group (Peregrine House) & Ardee Hospice Homecare CLG