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 St John's Raferagh

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25th December. Birth of Christ The Saviour, Christmas Day.

Weekly Reflection

"<u>A good story</u>!" Christmas can be a lonely time for older people as they recall memories of happy times in their youth and they think of friends & family members who are now absent. But it need not be all gloom for them. As we share with our families the happy days of Christmas we can make time for the older generations too so that they can tell the stories of the events of their youth to the present generations of young people. Most young people are fascinated and get great pleasure from the retelling of the times and happenings that the older people have lived through.

Christmas is the last great family occasion that is left to us, and when the commercial trappings and the wrapping paper is all disposed of, it is a time for our memories and experiences, our stories and our songs, our friendships and companionships, to be relived and renewed and retold. If we can take time this Christmas to be with family and friends then the peace of Christ will reign in our hearts and our homes. Fr Shane.

Saturday 24 th		Christmas Eve Vigil at 6.00pm & 9.00pm.
Christmas Eve.		Mass for the People of the Parish.
Sunday 25 th Dec		<u>Christmas Day Mass</u>
Christmas Day		at 9.30am & 12Noon. Mass For the Poerla of the Porish
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Monday 26 th	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
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Tuesday 27 th	10.00am.	1 st AM. Annie Mulholland, Beragh, Co Tyrone.
Dec.		
Wednesday28 th	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Dec.		
Thursday 29th	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Dec.		
Friday 30 th Dec.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 30 th Dec.	7.30pm.	Months Mind: Madge Waters, 27 Cloughvalley. AM. Joe, Bridie, Peter, Paula, & John Shevlin, Farney St.
Sat 31 st Dec.	11.00am	AM. Oliver Martin, 24 Crann Nua, formerly St Macartan's
New Year's Eve.		Villas.
Sat 31 st Dec.	6.00pm.	AM. Michael Joe McDonald, Crossroads, Mullinary.
New Year's Eve.		AM. Pat Duffy, 24 Rockdaniel Rd.
		AM. Ted, John & Kay Kiernan, Mullinary.
Sunday 1 st Jan.	9.30am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
New Year's Day.		
Sunday 1 st Jan.	12Noon.	AM. Noleen, Ned & Kathleen Keenan, 33 St Macartan's
New Year's Day		Villas. Birthday Remembrance. Julia Shields, Cloughvalley.
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<u>Recently</u> <u>Deceased</u>: Vincent Linnres, Spain, Christine McDonagh, Co Mayo, Aniceta Geciene, Lithuania, Patrick (Patsy) Malone, Watford / Drumbroagh Ina Grimes, Killanny, Julia Duffy, Woodlands, formerly of Drummerlough, Magheracloone & Helena McVeigh, Derry, sister of Fr Joe McVeigh, Lisbellaw (Enniskillen).

<u>Mass for the Feast of The Epiphany Friday 6th January</u>: 10 00 am. & 7.30pm in St Josephs

Carrick Emmet's Christmas Day Swim. Christmas Day at 12:30 sharp Creevy Lake.

Please Note: The Gates to the Church Car Park & gates to the Holy Family Hall, will be <u>closed</u> on St Stephens Day 26th December from 1pm-5pm

<u>Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</u>: First Sunday of the Month at 3pm. St. Nicholas' Church, Dundalk. Featuring Holy Hour, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Confessions and Anointing of the Sick. This will next take place on New Year's Day, Sunday 1st January 2023. Come and receive God's blessing.

Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh

Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday Evening at 7.30pm (alternating)

* see updated schedule below for dates *

Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Mass Intentions.

Christmas		St John The Evangelist Raferagh at 8.00pm.
Eve.		
Christmas		St Michael's Corduff. 11.00am.
Day.		
Wednesday 28 th Dec.	Raferagh.	No Mass.
New year's Day.		St John The Evangelist Raferagh at 11.00am.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff / Raferagh. Will take place *each <u>Wednesday evening</u>* in Corduff /Raferagh 5pm until Mass at 7:30pm.

Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel (St Josephs)

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel opening hours are: Monday 9-10am, Tuesday 9am-7pm, Wednesday 9-10am, Thursday 9-10am, Friday 9-10am, Saturday 10-11am and Sunday 1-6pm.

Rosary in St Josephs Church Monday – Friday at 6.30pm.

Safeguarding Review: If you wish to report a child safeguarding concern, please contact Martha Smyth 0044 777 5507445, Brendan Kelly 00353 42 9741383, or Anne Molloy 0044 787941 3855 or · An Garda Síochána 00353 1 66343, · PSNI 028 90650222, · TUSLA 00353 47 30475 · Western Health and Social Care Trust 028 7131 4090.

Mass Duties for January in St Josephs.

Weekend Readers: 6.00pm. Mairín O'Gorman. 9.30pm. Patrick Waters 12Noon. Nathan & Christine McNally.

<u>Weekday Readers</u>: <u>Mon</u>: Kathleen Murtagh. <u>Tues</u>: Paddy Gallagher. <u>Wed</u>: Malachy Marron. <u>Thurs</u>: Teresa Carolan. **Friday am**: Pat Kerrigan. **Friday pm**: Ciara Nolan. **Saturday 11am**: Maureen Nwokoo.

<u>Collectors</u>: 6.00pm Mass: Terry Kiernan, Paul Martin, & Noel Rooney. **9.30am Mass:** Terry Kiernan, Paul Martin & John Scully. **12Noon Mass:** Malachy Marron & Jim Halligan.

<u>Clogher don Óige</u> are bringing a group of young adults (18+) on pilgrimage to **World Youth Day in Portugal next summer**. Details are being finalised, dates of travel approx. July 25th - August 7th, with time spent in Porto, Lisbon, and a trip to Fatima. See <u>www.clogherdonoige.org/wyd</u> for more information and submit an expression of interest.

Be Alert: There continues to be fraudulent scams and alerts via telephone calls emails etc. Please continue to be aware and cautious of any unexpected activity or communication to you and to your vulnerable family members.



On behalf of Fr Shane & Fr Kevin and the Parish Team, may we wish all our Parishioners, a peaceful Christmas and a New Year filled with Many Blessings.

JOINT CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FOR 2022. FROM THE MOST REV LARRY DUFFY, ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CLOGHER AND THE RIGHT REV DR IAN ELLIS, CHURCH OF IRELAND BISHOP OF CLOGHER

As Christmas approaches, we join together in prayer-filled reflection to look forward with hope to the coming days when we mark the coming of God as one of us; as one who walks with us in our joys and sorrows, no matter where we are or who we are.

Let us pray,

Lord God our Father, at this time of celebration, let us bring to prayer all those who are suffering because of war, violence, persecution or any kind of economic or social hardship.

We remember especially the millions across the world who are displaced, especially those from Ukraine and other places of conflict.

Sharpen our awareness of how issues are inter-related. Keep our consciences alert. May our leaders develop policies and rules that are guided by humanity and vision and informed by your love for all.

Thank you for the work of the many people and organisations that bring your compassion and love to those in need.

Bring peace to the people of Ukraine, Russia and other troubled places. Eternal Father, as we welcome the birth of your Son, walk with your people, wherever

they are, to remind them of your eternal presence, your comfort and your strength. May the peace, joy and hope of Christ be with us now and forever, Amen.

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