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**(Beside Newsletter)**

## St Joseph’s Carrickmacross St Michael’s Corduff St John’s Raferagh

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**4th December - 2nd Sunday Advent.**

**Weekly Reflection**

**“Do they know it’s Christmas?”**

Some years ago a famine relief concert raised funds for victims of drought in Africa. One of the more memorable songs was “Do they know it’s Christmas?” Well the question is even more pertinent in our world today as it was then. Thousands of people have died in the terrible senseless unjust war in Ukraine, with hundreds of thousands displaced and turned into refugees here in Europe. Closer to home there are large numbers homeless in our cities and towns, and we are all aware of the images of homeless people without shelter on these winter nights. In the Gospel today, John the Baptist makes an entrance urging his listeners to prepare the way for the Lord. His images are frightening, but then maybe they have to be if he is to get our attention over the noise and activities of the Festive time. We may feel that there is not much we can do about the war or the refugees or indeed the homeless in our own country. But I believe we can make a difference. In this period of Advent may we pause and say a prayer for all who are homeless, and contribute to the charities such as St Vincent de Paul, Simon, Trócaire or whoever. Let’s make a difference this year. Fr Shane.

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| **Saturday 3rd Dec** | **11.00am** | **AM.** Kathleen Gilsenan, Drumbroagh. |
| **Saturday 3rd Dec** | **Vigil 6pm** | **Months Mind:** Michael Birdy, Shercock Road, (Birdy’s Oil) **2ndAM** Yvonne McCabe, also remembering Padraig McCabe, Carrickmacross.  **AM**. Alan Woods, Kilkerley, Dundalk. **AM.** Eugene, Kathleen, Pat & Philip Traynor, St Macartan’s Villas. |
| **Sunday 4th Dec** | **9.30am** | **1St AM**. Eithne Noakes, Kent (nee Ward formerly Monaghan Street). **AM.** Katherine Campbell, Convent View. |
| **Sunday 4th Dec** | **12 Noon** | **1st AM.** Nancy McHugh Magheross & **AM**. Her Husband John. **AM.** Seamus Brady & Deceased Members of the Brady Family Longfield. **AM.** Peter O’ Hanlon Creevy & Vincent Shields Athenry. **AM.** John & Josie Meegan, Wayne Tumelty, Cloughvalley / Inniskeen**. AM.** Patsy Martin, Rockdaniel Rd & DM. of the Martin Family. **AM**. John & Margaret Kennedy Craighlea Carrickmacross. & their Son Martin & Daughter Patricia, Jim & Margaret McDonald, Clougherhead. |
| **Monday 5th Dec** | **1.00 am.** | **1st AM.** Danguole Kunigeliene, (Lithuania) |
| **Tuesday 6th Dec** | **10.00am** | **AM**. James, Mae & Patrick Hamill, Monagirr.  **AM**. Evan Rouse, Lisanisk. |
| **Wednesday 7th** | **10.00am** | Private Intention. |
| **Thursday 8th Dec** | **10.00am** | **Mass for the Feast of Immaculate Conception.**  **AM**. Marron Family, Lisnaguivera**. AM.** Deceased Members of the O’Hanlon Family Cuchulain Terrace. |
| **Thursday 8th Dec** | **7.30pm** | **Mass for the Feast of Immaculate Conception.** |
| **Friday 9th Dec** | **10.00am** | Mass for the People of the Parish. |
| **Friday 9th Dec** | **7.30pm** | Private Intention**. AM.** Terry McMahon, Corduffkelly. |
| **Saturday 10th Dec** | **11.00am** | **Months Mind:** Ellie Capaldi, St Macartan’s Vilas  **AM.** Peter & Eva Carolan & their Sons Peter & Patsy Carolan. |
| **Saturday 10th Dec** | **Vigil 6pm** | **AM**. Bosco Malone , Drumgowna his Brother Barney, Bridge Street, Patrick & Sissy Hogan, Michelle Moore, Gerard & John Martyn, Tony Gill & Cecil McCullough, Mullingar. |
| **Sunday 11thDec** | **9.30am** | St Vincent De Paul Benefactors & Deceased Members Paddy Martin, Alan Kent, Joe Meegan, Francie Cassidy & Macartan Murphy. |
| **Sunday 11th Dec** | **12 Noon** | **AM.** Christina Donohoe, (nee McMahon) Corfad, Lavey, Cavan. |

**Recently Deceased:** Makism Zarkich, Cluainn Allainn (formerly Lithuania.) Madge Waters, 27 Cloughvalley, Martin Fealy, Crann Nua & Dublin. & Sr. Mary Mc Cluskey, Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, Heuston, Texas, and Carrickahogue.

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| **Altar Servers**: We make a very warm welcome and return to having our altar servers once again actively participating at the celebration of Mass. Altar servers have always played an important element, in assisting the priest at the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Pope Francis reminds us; Being an altar server is a call to prayer and mission. We reassure all, we adhere to the polices set in place for the protection and safeguarding of children and youth.  **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)**  **Live streaming is now available to be viewed Via**  [https://www.carrickmacrossparish.ie/our-parish/web-cam/](http://click.accelo.com/ls/click?upn=F705whivLCzitx43dYBoC-2BbpVaj2VC-2ByUg7vvtDVPf6kFCF8sodeivqP8JVV-2BClLYInSeRPhnTr4bhfDRGQ6rw-3D-3DVOjt_rLLhlT0c7VL-2FEoxTkukWaQ4MPhvmVWN43dY62PEd8EaY4TWgPhCoWRHtiaSkjlsdvvkc6OK9GD2ICztKmmmppraQosFGRsVij6vg7n1htba2IAcOUjN4CqJmxrUlu3GDAt2mfWEGcoXppaKf0-2Fq5-2FDFKHj5pFGz1TNNTKzE9tzqWpQzhezUzjdGDURwoTntLrFHedzgKevNARMZkzD1GuW1jFfo-2FPtDLvR5YJxuSmEsFou6RoQ-2Bsx90XHTpLPufLOnf-2BkBZeYd214QloRwRWkbkrv70WZd9gOCV-2BdTlgn4nLHFN9mpwOcJRdZ4R4jVjI) or [www.churchservices.tv/carrickmacross](http://www.churchservices.tv/carrickmacross)  **Should you have any difficulty accessing the live streaming please contact via email directly to**  [**Support@churchservices.tv**](mailto:Support@churchservices.tv) |

**Mass Intentions**

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| **Sunday 4th December.** | **11.00am.**  **Raferagh.** | **1st AM**. Patrick McCluskey, Carrickahogue**. AM.** Brendan McEnaney, Ardragh.  **AM.** Thomas & Alice Culleton , Corcreagh & The Finnegan Family Carragartha, & John & Mary Rush. |
| **Wednesday**  **7th Dec.** | **Corduff**  **7.30pm.** | **Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.**  **AM.** Rose, Pat & Noel Marron, Corbane. |
| **Sunday 11th December..** | **11.00am.**  **Corduff.** | **AM**. Patsy & Maura McEnaney & Kathleen, Tommy, Michael & Phyl McEnaney Greagh. **AM**. Patrick & Ellen Keenan, Greaghlane.  **AM.** Patrick & Alice Conlon, Shanco & their Daughter Alice Hughes, Shercock. |

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.**

Will take place ***each Wednesday evening*** 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.

**Extended Adoration**: In Honour of Immaculate Conception there will be Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Thursday Dec 8th from 9am to 7:30pm. All are welcome to spend time in Adoration.

**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.

**Visitation of the House Bound will take place on Friday 16th December.**

**A Prayer for Christmas and for harmony in the Family**: *I promise in the honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating drink during the month of December.*

**St Vincent De Paul: Church Gate Collection 10th / 11th December.**

**Steadfast Shoes Brass Band: Christmas Concert will take place on Sunday 4th December at 7.30pm in the Shirley Arms Hotel.**

**Clogher Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** from 7-12 July 2023. This pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Larry Duffy. It will be the first in-person pilgrimage to Lourdes from the Diocese since July 2019.  The cost is from €899 per person sharing, including insurance. This also includes hotel accommodation, meals and return flights from Belfast. ENQUIRIES PILGRIMAGE SECRETARY: JOHN HUESTON CLOGHER PILGRIMAGE OFFICE TEL: 028677 24329 FROM ROI: (048) 677 24329 EMAIL: [john.cdp@btconnect.co](mailto:john.cdp@btconnect.co).

**Carrick Emmet’s Christmas Day Swim**. Christmas morning at 12:30 sharp Creevy Lake.

**Lectio Divinia** Each Tuesdays at 6pm Teach Ui Bhrian.

**Senior Citizens Christmas Party:**  on Wednesday 7th December in the Valley Lodge. Tickets are now available from the Ceilidh centre Cloughvalley on Monday mornings. Admission by ticket only.

The Parish of Machaire Rois

Christmas Schedule 2022 

***Penitential Service***.

Sunday 18th December at 5.00pm. (St Josephs)

Confessions Mon 19th **-** Dec Fri: 23rd in St Josephs

After Mass each Morning

***Ecumenical Carol Service in St Finbarrs.***

Thursday 22nd December at 8.00pm.

**Christmas Eve.**

6pm & 9pm – St Josephs Carrickmacross.

8pm – St John The Evangelist Raferagh.

***Christmas Day***

9.30am. & 12 Noon - St Josephs Carrickmacross

11am – St Michael’s Corduff.

***Weekday Mass St Josephs***

**Monday – 26th – Friday 30th at 10am**

***New Years Eve***

St Josephs Church at 6.00pm

***New Years Day***

9.30am & 12Noon St Josephs, Carrickmacross

11.00am – St John’s The Evangelish Raferagh

***The Epiphany***

10.00am. & 7.30pm in St Josephs

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

***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.***