

JESUS' BAPTISM

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

St Joseph's Carrickmacross St Michael's Corduff St John's Raferagh

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St Vincent De Paul: St Vincent De Paul Contacts-Local Helpline (087) 917 1371

Sunday 8* January 2023. Baptism of the Lord. Weekly Reflection.

"Giving In"

John the Baptist was an individual with quite a fierce reputation. He was not the sort of character who would be easily swayed from his point of view. He comes across as an austere fearless preacher; a man of discipline and determination. He is not the sort of guy you would really bring around to a different way of thinking. He was a black or white believer – what he said he meant – and indeed his martyr's death is testament to his deeply-held faith.

So it is quite surprising to see him giving in to his cousin Jesus when he asked for baptism, against his better judgement we are told - "At this, John gave in to him."

John the Baptist realised that while he may not understand the request Jesus was making off him that it was probably best to do whatever he asked.

Sometimes Jesus asks us to do something that we do not understand or would p**ref**er not to – to heal a quarrel, to let a grievance go, to give up the drink, to make peace with a neighbour, or with God.

Today we might consider following John's example and give in to the request that Jesus makes of us. (Fr Shane.)

Saturday 7 th	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
January.		
Saturday 7 th January.	6.00pm.	 AM. Owen Mulholland, Longfield. AM. Patsy, Tomas & Catherine Kirke, Greaghdrumneesk. AM. Mary Michael & Dickie Kellett, Corcrin & Marie Mc Eneaney, Tullydrum. AM. Bridget, James & George Boyle, Mullinary. AM. P.J. Reilly, Cloughvalley & Deceased Members of the Reilly Family.
Sunday 8 th	9.30am.	AM. Pat Finnegan, Ballybay Road.
January. Sunday 8 th January.	12Noon.	AM. Terry Cassidy, Mullaghamacteer. AM. Brian & Teresa Duffy, Emmett Street.
Monday 9 th January.	10.00am.	AM. John Maguire, Nafferty, Carrickmacross.
Tuesday 10 th	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
January.		
Wednesday 11 th January.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thursday 12 th	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
January.		_
Friday 13 th	10.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
January.		
Friday 13 th January.	7.30pm.	Months Mind: Patsy (Patrick) Malone, Watford, England & formerly Drumbroagh. AM. Mary Kathryn Callan & the Walsh Family.
Saturday 14 th January.	11.00am.	AM. Seamus Hamilton Ballybay Rd, Eamon Connolly Doohamlet & Deceased Members of the Hamilton & Connolly Families.
Saturday 14 th Jan	6.00pm.	AM. Jim Dolan, Pearse Avenue. AM. Seamus Hanratty, Kingscourt Road.
Sunday 15 th January.	9.30am.	AM. Frank & Annie Fealey Magheross, Carrickmacross Thomas & Mary Duffy, Dundalk their Daughter Catherine Hanratty, Crossmaglen & Seamus Duffy England.
Sunday 15 th January.	12Noon.	1 st AM . Rosaleen O'Hanlon, Creevy. AM . Gerry McGee, His Parents John & Josephine & Sister Teresa McGee.

Recently Deceased: John Finnegan, Dundalk & Magheracloone. Tom O'Reilly, Bocks Middle, Laragh. Kathleen Conlon, Raferagh. Martin Donnelly, Castleblayney Road. & Mgr Richard Mohan, Clones.

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

Sunday 8 th January	Corduff. 11.00am	AM. Bridgie Tommy & Paddy Marron & Deceased Members of the Marron Family Umerafree.
Wednesday 11 th January.	Raferagh. 7.30pm	AM. Michael Slatter, Dublin.
Sunday 15 th January	Raferagh. 11.00am	AM. Kathleen Connolly, Cornalaragh, Carrickmacross. AM. Frank Campbell, Raferagh.

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.

<u>Collectors Needed</u>: we are looking for new collectors for weekend Masses if you are available to help out, please contact the Parish office, for existing Collectors if you are no longer available, or would like to change Mass times could you please contact Parish Office so that details can be updated. We would like to thank you for your continued support.

Medjugorje 19th - 26th July 2023 direct from Dublin, €695 if deposit of €100 is paid before January 31st otherwise €745 applies. Spiritual Director Rev Fr Paddy Mc Ginn, Monaghan. Group leader Marian Kane (O87)2713260 for more information.

<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.

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.

Lectio Divinia: Each Tuesday at 6pm in Teach Ui Bhrian we continue our study of the Scripture, each week we read a chosen Spiritual text and take the opportunity to think deeply about it and respond thoughtfully.

<u>Sacramental Dates 2023 – The Parish of Machaire Rois.</u>

<u>Confirmation – The Parish of Machaire Rois.</u>

6th May 2023 at 11am St Josephs Church, Carrickmacross

First Holy Communion.

Scoil Rois: 22nd April at 11.00am. St Josephs Church.

St Josephs Boys N.S.: 29th April at 11.00am - St Josephs Church.

Bunscoil Lughaidh Naofa: 13th May at 11.00am - St Josephs Church.

Corcreagh National School: 13th May at 11.00am. St John the

Evangelist (Raferagh)

Scoil Padraig Corduff: 20th May at 11.00am - St Michaels Church.

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