

The Parish Of Machaire Rois



4th Sunday of Easter 11th May 2025.

Good Shepherd Sunday. Day of Prayer for Vocations.

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

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www.churchservices.tv/carrickmacross [Parish Radio 92.1 FM.](http://www.churchservices.tv/parishradio)

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St Vincent De Paul: Contact- Free Phone 1800677777.

Weekly Reflection.

What is a vocation?

A vocation is not merely a career choice or a lifestyle. It is a deeper calling, an invitation from God which demands courage and humility. It demands a willingness to serve and to put one's own needs to second place. We often speak of the grace of a vocation, for it is through prayer and study over a period of discernment, the role God has chosen for an individual begins to unfold. St Therese of Lisieux says 'God does not call those who are worthy, but those whom He wills.

The Lord is calling men and women today to minister in His church. He speaks in whispers which are often drowned out by the noise of the world and its distractions. When He calls, He provides every gift and skill that is necessary.

Pope Francis spoke of the Joy of the Gospel being the source of fulfilment for those in ministry of service, as they grow in intimacy with Christ. On vocations Sunday we pray that those who are presently being called might respond with courage and generosity.

Fr Shane.

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Saturday 10th May.	11.00am.	<i>First Holy Communion for the Girls of Bunscoil Lughaidh Naofa.</i>
Saturday 10th May.	6.00pm.	Month's Memory , Laimonas Aulosevicius. 1st AM. Lucy Nelson, Leggiemore. AM. May & John Kiernan, their son Martin Kiernan, Mullinary. AM. Patrick & Elizabeth (Betty) Duffy, Farney Cottage, Kingscourt Road. AM. Paddy Martin, Ardross Avenue. AM. Phelim & Jimmy Martin, Drumgoan & late of Dernascobe, Magheracloone. AM. Kitty McGuigan, her brother John Callan, Drumcargy.
Sunday 11th May	9.30am.	AM. Baby Chloe Gollogly, Greaghdrumitt. AM. Rosemary Rafferty, Lurgans.
Sunday 11th May.	12Noon.	AM. Anna Meegan, Kingscourt Road. AM. Michael McMahon, Magheraboy. AM. Phil, Maureen, Jimmy & Rose McDonald, Magheraboy & deceased members of the McDonald & McVeigh families. AM. Anne Marron, Magheraboy Road. AM. John O'Reilly, St Macartan's Villas & deceased members of the O'Reilly family.
Monday 12th May.	10.00am.	Mass for the people of the Parish.
Tuesday 13th May.	10.00am.	AM. John O'Reilly, St Macartan's Villas & deceased members of the O'Reilly family.
Wed 14th May.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thurs 15th May.	10.00am.	AM. Clare & Kieran Fahey, Ardee Road.
Friday 16th May.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Saturday 17th May.	11.00am.	<i>First Holy Communion for the Boys of St Joseph's National School.</i>
Saturday 17th May.	6.00pm.	AM. Syl Cunningham, Tividinna. AM. P.J. Donnelly & deceased members of the Donnelly family, Emmett Road. AM. Mary & Hughie Matthews, 30 St. Macartan's Villas, their daughters Nancy Donlon & Margaret Sheenan & their grand-daughter Leagh Sheenan. AM. Jack & Kathleen Carolan & deceased members of the Carolan family, Kilmactrasna & late of Magheracloone.
Sunday 18th May	9.30am.	AM. Noel Burns, Radrumskeane & deceased members of the Burns family.
Sunday 18th May.	12Noon.	AM. Rosemary Downey, Corcuillogue. AM. Thomas Dunne, Kellystown, Slane, Co Meath. AM. Michael & Nancy Lynch. AM. Eugene Kellett, 76 Cloughvalley. AM. Phil, Rose, Peter & Marrion McDermott, Ardee Road.

Recently Deceased.

Kieran Early, Augher, Co Tyrone - brother of Fr. Brian Early PE, Tydavnet.

RoseMary Cunningham, Garrifly, Donaghmoyne.

Patsy Ward, Inniskeen, Carrickmacross.

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Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

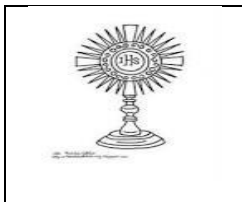
Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday 11th May.	Corduff. 11.00am.	AM. Molly Keelan, Greaghlacapple.
Saturday 17th May.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	<i>First Holy Communion for the Children of Scoil Pádraig National School.</i>
Sunday 18th May	Raferagh. 11.00am	Mass for recently deceased Patrick (Paddy) Browne, Coventry, England, formerly Raferagh, with burial of Ashes after Mass. AM. Michael & Kathleen Hand, Corcreagh.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Michael's, Corduff every Wednesday evening from 5-7pm, finishing with Rosary at 6:30. Please drop in at any time to spend some time in quiet reflection.

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



Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Josephs.)

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.**

Confessions in St Joseph's Church.

Confessions in St Joseph's on Saturdays after the 11am Mass – and the Eve of the First Friday (Thursday) after the 10am Mass.

Vocations Sunday: The Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Vocations Sunday or Good Shepherd Sunday and is marked as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of this day is to fulfil Jesus' instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:38). While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates her attention on raising up shepherds for God's people - vocations to Holy Orders (the priesthood and diaconate) and to the religious life - while encouraging all who are discerning their vocation to pray more earnestly that they may hear and respond to God's call.

Raferagh May Procession: The Annual May Procession in honour of Our Lady will take place in Raferagh on Wednesday May 21st 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 21st May in Raferagh at 7.30pm is available for the booking of Anniversaries.

St. Joseph's Cemetery Church Gate Collection: We would like to thank you for your kind generosity and financial support. A total of €3,045.00 was collected. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved, the Collectors and the Counters for their time and dedication and the Cemetery Committee for their on-going work. Your continued support for the upkeep of our Cemetery is greatly appreciated.

Financial Statement 2024: a copy of the Parish Financial Statement for 2024, can be viewed in the notice boards in the porch of each of the churches.

Faith and light Fiesta: will take place in Steadfast House on Sunday the 18th May at 3pm. All are welcome.

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Procession with the Blessed Sacrament 2025

Invite

This year's procession will take place on **Sunday 25th May at 3pm**. We encourage you to join the procession, and invite you to decorate your homes & 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 special invitation 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

The route this year will be as follows, starting from St Joseph's church Carrickmacross at 3pm - turning on to Farney Street, left by the Convent, via Mullinary, turning right towards Parnell Street, turn right on Main Street towards O'Neill Street and back to St Joseph's. Benediction will take place outside St Joseph's Church at approx 4pm.

Cemetery Sunday – The Blessing of the Graves.

St Joseph's Carrickmacross: Sunday 6th July. (directly after 12Noon. Mass.)

St John's Raferagh: Sunday 13th July. (directly after 11am. Mass.)

St Michael's Corduff: Sunday 20th July. (directly after 11am. Mass.)

(Please bring Holy Water)

Bunscoil Lughaidh Naofa are accepting enrolments for Junior Infants 2025. Please contact the office on 042 9661808 or bunscoiln@gmail.com to get a copy of our new updated enrolment form for completion. There will be an open day for the new infants on Friday 6th of June where the children can visit their new classroom and meet their new teacher. Any queries please get in touch with Valerie Norton (new principal).

Clogher Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025: will take place 4-9 July 2025. Price €1050.00 or Sterling Equivalent excluding travel insurance. Price includes flights, full board accommodation/meals, Transfer from designated places throughout the Diocese to/from Airport. Assisted Pilgrim price: €975 To book Pilgrim Places; Contact John Hueston, Lisnaskea. Tel: 028 677 24329 or download booking form from www.lourdes2clogher.com.

Mary's Meals provides life-changing school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The meals make it possible for hungry children to come to school and give them the energy they need to concentrate and participate in class. It costs just €22.00 to provide a child with meals in a place of education for a whole school year. We would like to express our thanks and acknowledge the most recent donations totaling €735.00 to Mary Meals. Anyone who wishes to give to this Charity can leave their donation in the Parish Office.

Charity Fundraiser: Tullycorbet Drama Group will stage one final performance of the hilarious 3 Act Comedy "Married Bliss" by Sam Cree in Tullycorbet Community Centre **this Sunday, 11th May** at 8:00 p.m. sharp. Admission €10. Raffle on the night with light refreshments served. Proceeds in aid of **Ballybay Cancer Society**.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service – Riverbank Hotel, Carrickmacross from Wednesday 14th May to Thursday 15th May 2025 3.45pm to 8.00pm. Call 1800 222 111 to book an appointment. Check your eligibility at www.giveblood.ie

The Monaghan Parkinson's Branch: is holding a meeting on Monday 12th May in the Iontas Centre, Castleblayney (A75 HK09) at 7 pm. This is an opportunity for anyone with Parkinson's and their family members to come along and hear about the activities and support of the Monaghan branch. The group meets every Tuesday in Peake Fitness, Carrickmacross (A81 A2H4) where Frick McMahon guides the group through exercises which all feel are beneficial to their health. The group wants to put a plan in place to help everybody in the county with Parkinson's. For more details call Seamus on 087 2482292.

Crocus Cancer Support Centre, Monaghan warmly invites anyone who has lost a loved one to cancer to join our monthly support group — a safe space to share and grieve, to mourn and honour the heartbreak and experience the healing power of community. Please contact our office at 047 62565 to book your place.

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Family Carers Ireland: is the National Charity Supporting 500,000+ Family Carers Nationwide, we are currently recruiting for Community Homecare Workers to provide support to clients. Work hours are flexible based on your availability. Own car and Full Driving Licence essential. Please send your CV to jobs@familycarers.ie or contact Carol on 049 8511031 or 086 4183949 for more information.

Carrick Rovers Bingo: Every Monday night 19.30 to 21.00. in St. Louis's Convent Hall. Great Prizes to be won.

The Friends of Carrick Cancer Society 2025 Campaign: The Flora Mini Marathon will take part on Sunday, June 1st, the bank holiday weekend. This annual lady's day in Dublin always has a great turnout! So, keep Sunday 1st June free this year!!! Anyone who has signed up and would like to do the mini marathon for Carrick Cancer, or if you would like to register to take part, please contact a committee member.

Committee Members Pat McNally 0874130727 - Majella Hoey 0872975326 - James Lambe 087 6329620 – Pat McNally 0876500721 and Grainne McNally 0872506045.

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.

Interested in becoming Catholic or Learning More? **RCIA Classes Are Beginning Soon!**

The rite of Christian initiation of adults (RCIA) is a programme for adults interested in becoming a Catholic, receiving the Sacraments or exploring the catholic faith. Please contact the parish office for more details (042-9661231).

Mass Cards & Mass Bouquets: signed by the Priests of the Parish are available in the Parish Office with suggested offering €15.00 (this includes price of card). All Mass Intentions are celebrated individually.

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Give Blood: to the Riverbank, Carrickmacross from Wed 14th – Thurs 15th May 2025. All are Blood Donor Clinics are still by appointment.

Please include this notice or poster in the parish bulletin.

Thanking you in advance,

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