

4th Sunday of Lent Sunday 10th March 2024.

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

<u>St Joseph's Carrickmacross</u> <u>St Michael's Corduff</u> <u>St John's Raferagh</u>

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Weekly Reflection.

Nicodemus.

Today's Gospel makes mention of Nicodemus. He is only mentioned three times in the Gospels, and only ever in St. John's. He is firstly described as a secret follower of Jesus, initially meeting Jesus at night, as in this passage. Later he emerges a little more confident, as a voice of restraint when the Pharisees are determined to crucify Jesus. The third time he appears is when with great bravery and considerable risk, he goes to Pilate after the death of Jesus and asks for the body and prepares Him for burial.

I often feel I can understand his character. The secrecy of his following Jesus sometimes reflects our own unwillingness to be seen as a wholehearted follower of Christ. Sometimes we like to keep our heads down and keep quiet, following at a distance to be safe. Christ calls for more than hesitancy. He calls for courage from His followers. He calls us to come out of the darkness and to declare for Him in the daylight.

As Nicodemus' faith grew, he developed into a courageous preacher of the Gospel. May we too develop a voice for Christ and have a share in the conviction shown by Nikodemus.

Fr Shane.

Sat 9 th March.	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
Sat 9 th March.	6.00pm.	 1st AM. Breda Walker, (nee Martin) Hill Crest, Mullinary. AM. Peadar McEneaney, Rockdaniel Road, & John & Annie McEneaney, Pearse Avenue. AM. Christy & Vera Roche & Deceased Members of the Roche & Maguire Families. AM. Jimmy & Catherine Chambers, Dunogue, Harry Chambers, Tiragarvan, & John Chambers, Camp, Co Kerry. AM. Mary McConnell, 11 Drummond Etra.
Sun 10 th March.	9.30am.	Sunday Mass.
Sunday 10 th March.	12Noon.	Months Memory: Peadar Duffy, Tullynaskeagh, Ardee Road. 1st AM. Sr Mary Jo Hand, Iona House. AM. Margaret (Peggy) Walsh, Cloughvalley. AM. John & Katie Burns, late of 48. Ard Ross Avenue. AM. Oliver Murray, Ardee Road, Carrickmacross. AM. Paddy Dolan, Farney Street. Birthday Remembrance: Tommy McKenna, Corcuillogue.
Monday 11 th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. AM. Brian Duffy, Drummond Etra.
Tuesday 12 th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. AM. Sheila & Laurence McNally, Ballybay Road, Kay & Dessie Finnan, & Sheila Doyle, Dublin.
Wednesday 13 th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. Weekday Mass.
Thursday 14 th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. Weekday Mass.
Friday 15 th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. AM. John Malone, Woodlands, & Brian & Josie Scanlon, London. AM. Jimmy Scotson, Mullinary.
Fri 15 th March.	7.30pm.	AM. Rose McKeown, 19 Highfield, Carrickmacross.
Sat 16 th March.	11.00am.	1st AM. Rose Boyle, 3. Ros Cluain, Lurgans, Carrickmacross.
Sat 16 th March.	6.00pm.	 AM. Macartan Murphy, O'Neill Street, & Remembering James, Catherine, & Dympna Murphy, & Mary McGlynn. AM. Kitty Hand, Remembering her Husband Brian Hand St Macartan's Villas. AM. Paddy Marron, Donaghmoyne Road. AM. Mary Kirk, Ardross Avenue. AM. Tom & Sue Hanratty, & Pat & Mary Small, & Deceased Family Members.
Feast of St Patrick. Sun 17 th March.	9.30am.	 AM. Fr Paddy Marron, Carrickmacross. AM. Kate & Bernard Hand, 45 Drummond Etra, & Deceased Members of the Hand Family, Anthony Daly, Granarogue, & Deceased Members of the Daly Family. AM. Maudie & Vincent Pettigrew, & Deceased Family Members.
Feast of St Patrick. Sunday 17 th March.	12Noon.	 AM. James & Molly Duffy, their Son Gerard & Deceased Members of the Duffy Family, Corcuillogue, their Son-in-Law John Comer, & Kathleen & Ann Stott. AM. Peter & Chris Marron, St Macartan's Villas, & their Daughter Kay Cunningham, Farney Street. AM. Frank Carolan, 28 Emmett Street.

Recently Deceased: Karolina Stankute, Ballybay. Maureen Kiernan, Woodview, Lurgans, Carrickmacross. John Duffy, Magheracloone.

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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Sunday	Raferagh.	AM. Michael & Ellen Culleton, Greaghlane Carrickmacross.
10 th March.	11.00am.	AM. Mary Ann Dillon, Comertagh, Raferagh, her Sister
		Margaret King, Maudabawn also her Husband Thomas &
		their Daughter Briege Connolly, Navan.
Wednesday	Corduff.	AM. Patrick & Mary Gollogly, Corbane.
13 th March.	7.30pm.	AM. Nancy McConnon, Shreenty, Corduff.
Feast of St Patrick. Sun 17 th	Corduff. 11.00am.	AM. Tommy & May Marron, Umerafree, their Grand daughter Maria Capaldi.
March.		AM. Pat Joe & Ellie Finnegan & Deceased Family Members, Lisacullian.

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 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.

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

Planning For the Future: Parishioners can find a letter from Fr Shane addressing plans for the future of our Parish, in the church beside the Newsletter. Please take a copy.

Faith and Light Fiesta: this Sunday 10th March in Steadfast House 3 - 5 pm. New members always welcome.

Scoil Phádraig Corduff: is accepting enrolments for Junior Infants for the 2024 / 2025 school year. Please email the school at info@scoilphadraigcorduff.ie, call 0429669437, or come to the school for enrolment forms.

A Tribute Night to Kitty Hand will be held in the Workhouse Carrickmacross during 'Seachtain na Gaeilge' on Thursday 14th March 2024 at 7.30pm to commemorate her love of the Irish language and for all her years of dedicated work to the local community. Everyone welcome.

Pots of Shamrock: will be available at St Joseph's Church during the week 10th to 17th March. All donations received will go to support Cuan Mhuire Ballybay.

> Palm Sunday 24th March: Palm will be blessed at each of the Masses. (Please bring your own Palm.)

Mass Cards, Mass Bouquets, Easter Bouquets & Birthday Bouquet: signed by the Priests of the Parish are available in the Parish Office cost €15.00 (this includes price of card. All Mass Intentions are celebrated individually).

Carrickmacross Cancer Society: Daffodil Day 2024. If you can volunteer an hour or two of your time on Friday 22nd March to support the Irish Cancer Society, we would be delighted to have your help. Contact by text your Name/Contact details & Time(s) that suit you to: Pauric Keenan Chairperson CCS (087-7669761) or Geraldine Oliver PRO CCS (087-6329314).

Permanent Diaconate: The Diocese of Clogher invites Expressions of Interest from men who feel called to the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese. All relevant information can be found on the Diocesan website www.clogherdiocese.ie/diaconate/ and the Diocesan Facebook page. The closing date for expressions of interest is 30th April 2024. Those interested should speak firstly to their Parish Priest before a referral is made to the Director of Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese.

<u>Calling all 18 to 30 year olds!</u> Do you want to explore your faith with other like-minded young people in a beautiful and reflective location? Join us for a Retreat for Young Adults at Lough Derg, Pettigo County Donegal on Saturday 27th April 2024 from 10am to 4pm. Refreshments and Lunch provided. This Retreat is organised by The Knights of St Columbanus Omagh and is free of charge. To Register, please visit tiny.cc/loughderg or email info@knightsofstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk

<u>Clogher don Óige</u>: is currently accepting Expressions of Interest from Young People (16-18 years) who would like to travel to Lourdes as part of the diocesan pilgrimage, 5th-10th July. More details and online form available at www.clogherdonoige.org/lourdes2024

<u>Calling Pioneers and Friends</u> to the 25th Pioneer National Ball. An evening of celebration and fun on Saturday April 6th, 2024. Mass at 6pm in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar, followed by special guest speaker, dinner, music and dancing at the Annebrook House Hotel, Mullingar. Extra activities on Friday night and Saturday and Sunday afternoons. For details/ tickets contact Dermot Fagan 085-7201646 or Daisy Carey 087-6544626

<u>A St Patrick's Way Pilgrimage</u> experience in Downpatrick on March 16, led by pilgrim guides Martina Purdy and Elaine Kelly. Visit The Saint Patrick Centre, see IMAX film, & receive passport to walk with guides to Inch Abbey and Saul Church & St Patrick's grave. Lunch and bus transfers inc £35 pp. 9am-3pm More info contact the Centre 02844 619000 (The walk is approx 6 miles)

<u>Diocese of Clogher Lourdes Pilgrimage</u>: 5th -10th July 2024. Total Price €960.00 or sterling equivalent excluding travel insurance. Price includes flights, Full board accommodation / meals, Transfer from designated places throughout the Diocese to /from Belfast International Airport. To book Pilgrim Places; Contact John Hueston Lisnaskea Tel: 028677 24329 From Roi: (048) 677 24329 or download booking form from www.lourdes2clogher.com.

<u>Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend</u> – All married couples deserve a WWME weekend! Next weekend will be held in the Focolare Centre Prosperous, Co Kildare from Friday 26th April to Sunday 28th April. Register online at <u>www.marriageencounter.ie</u>

The Friends of Carrick Cancer Society 2024 Campaign: We have the following events coming up this year. **Charity Football Match in aid of Carrick Cancer**: A Football match featuring the former greats from the following clubs Corduff, Carrickmacross, Magheracloone, Killanny, Inniskeen, Donaghamoyne and Shercock will take place on Easter Monday, 1st April at 4 pm in Corduff. **The 'Charity 5 Km walk / run'**: around Carrickmacross is on Bank Holiday, Monday 6th May at 11am. It will start and finish at Eurospar, with stewards along the way. This event has been a great success over the years, with families and individuals doing their bit for this great cause.

The Flora Mini Marathon: will take part on Sunday, June 2nd, the bank holiday weekend. This annual lady's day in Dublin always has a great turnout! So, keep Sunday 2nd 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. **Mothers and Others**: Our mothers and others football match will take place at the end of July, more details later.

The Boyne Greenway: Part of the Boyne Greenway walk will take place on the last Saturday in August 31st, more details to follow. *Committee Members Pat McNally 0874130727 - Majella Hoey 0872975326 - James Lambe 087 6329620 – Patrick McNally 0876500721and Grainne McNally 0872506045*

Be Fraud Smart - **Upcoming Workshop** - Are you tired of receiving fake messages on your phone or are you worried about being scammed? Be Fraudsmart and join Europe Direct Clones and Women's Collective Ireland Monaghan as we learn about the most common frauds along with key advice and tips to help you avoid becoming the victim of fraud or scams. Limited spaces, so booking essential please ring 087 1507056 or email eudirect@monaghancoco.ie