

2ND Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 14thJanuary 2024.

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- Free Phone 1800677777.

Weekly Reflection.

Giving directions!

Before the advent of sat-nav, asking for directions was a common enough occurrence. Sometimes the person who was asked would be capable of giving succinct and simple instructions, but on other occasions one could encounter a person whose sense of direction was a little off, and the weary traveller would be worse off after the interaction.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist points out Jesus as the Lamb of God to his young followers Andrew & John. They leave the Baptist behind and go and commit their lives to Jesus. Andrew immediately brings his brother Peter to Jesus and the community of the faithful is established on the "rock".

We all need people like John the Baptist in our lives – people who help us discover Christ in our lives and can guide us to full development and genuine happiness. Jesus' message is one of kindness and compassion – it is a message that can transform our lives. In our struggle to find Jesus we are guided by the witness of our parents, grandparents, teachers, priests, friends and neighbours. These are the people who have "pointed the way" and for that we give thanks.

Fr Shane.

Saturday	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
13 th January.	4.00	
Saturday 13 th January.	6.00pm.	AM. Seamus Hanratty, Kingscourt Road.
	Vigil.	
Sunday	9.30am.	Sunday Mass.
14 th January. Sunday	12Noon.	AM. Peter & Rose Goodman, Nafferty & their Son Paddy Goodman
14 th January.	12140011.	Finglas formerly Nafferty (recently deceased) & Deceased Members of the Goodman Family.
		AM. Mary & Aidan Cullen formerly St Macartan's Villas & the Deceased Members of the Cullen & Howlan Families.
Monday 15 th January.	10.00am.	AM. Elizabeth & Patrick Cooney & Their Daughter Margaret Cooney Cuchulainn Terrace.
		AM. Deceased Members Gartlan & Marron Families & Marion Lawlor.
Tuesday 16 th January.	10.00am	Morning Mass.
Wednesday 17 th January.	10.00am.	AM. Gene & Letita McArdle, & the Deceased Members of the Durkin & Pearce Families, Main Street, Carrickmacross.
		AM. Patsy Ward, his Parents Patrick & Annie Ward, Lisnaguivera.
		AM. John Hughes & Deceased Members of the Hughes Family, Killanny.
Thursday	10.00am.	AM. Andrew Campbell, Drummond Radhairc, Dundalk Road.
18 th January.		
Friday	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
19 th January. Friday	7.30pm.	Evening Mass.
19 th January.	7.50pm.	Evening Plassi
Saturday	11.00am.	AM. Jim Dolan, Pearse Avenue.
20 th January.	6.00pm.	AM Michael Kelly, Clancoady
Saturday 20 th January.	Vigil.	AM. Michael Kelly, Clonseady. AM. Matthew & Mary Tully, Drummond Otra.
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Sunday 21 st January.	9.30am.	AM. John & Susan McNally, & Angela Guigan & Deceased Members of the McNally & McGinnity Families.
Sunday 21 st January.	12Noon.	 AM. Mick Gormley, Cloughvalley & Anne Loy, Newry. AM. Breda Kelly, Lisanisk & her Parents Phil & Rois McMahon. AM. Kevin & Kitty O'Rourke, Ballybay Road. AM. Anne J Lang, Drumacargy, Carrickmacross. AM. Felix O'Donoghue, Dundalk Road. AM. Gerry McGee, his Parents John & Josephine & his Sister Teresa McGee. AM. Anna Clinton," An Glann", Cloughvalley, & Deceased Members of the Clinton Family, Comertagh. AM. Peter & Rosaleen O'Hanlon, Creevy & Vincent Shields, Athenry. AM. Seamus Cunningham, Cloughvalley. AM. Thomas (Tom) O'Brien, 39 Rockdaniel Road.

Recently Deceased	<u>1</u> : Patrick (Paddy) Connolly, Ballybay Road.		
	Sheila Gilmore, (nee Fidgeon), England formerly Bridge Street.		
	Madge McEneaney, (nee Smith), Shercock (formerly Emmet Street).		
Martin Gartland, Chicago, USA (formerly Lisdoonan).			
	Pat Threadgold, Kilcohan, Waterford.		

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.	1 st AM. Kathleen Conlon, Raferagh.
14 th January.	11.00am.	AM. Kathleen Connolly, Cornalaragh.
_		AM. Frank Campbell, Raferagh.
		AM. James & Thomas McCaul, Ouvery Shantonagh.
		Remembrance Mass: Duffy Family, Carrickahogue
Wednesday	Corduff.	Mass for Deceased Members of the Corduff/Raferagh Active
17 th January	7.30pm.	Retirement Group.
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Sunday	Corduff.	AM. Larry & Maggie Callan Corbane their Son Lorcan &
21 st January.	11.00am.	Daughter Rosemary Rafferty & Deceased Members of the Callan Family.
		AM. Benny & Nancy Ann Gartlan & Deceased Members of the Gartlan Family.

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. <u>Tuesday</u>: 9am. - 7pm. <u>Wednesday</u>: 9am.-10am. Thursday: 8am. - 10am. Friday: 8am. - 10am.

Saturday 10am. - 11am. and 5pm. - 6pm. Sunday 1pm. - 6pm.

<u>Blessed Sacrament Adoration Hours</u>: The Adoration chapel has some additional Adoration slots. Thursday and Friday at 8am and Saturday 5-6pm. If you feel you could commit to any of these new hours, please call Teresa on 087-3117929.

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

Pioneer Association: A presentation of Pioneer Pins and Diplomas will be made after 6.00pm Mass on Saturday 20th January 2024. Pins for 10.25.50. and Diplomas years membership of the Pioneer Association. Diplomas for 40 years. Clasp and Diplomas for 60.70 years, all those who are looking for any of the above, contact Jim on 087 6734553. Pat on 089 4916232 for further information before the 9 January 2024 in order to give time to get all organised.

Mary's Meal's: Mary's Meals serves nutritious school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The promise of a good meal brings hungry children into the classroom, giving them the energy to learn and hope for a better future. We are already feeding 2,429,182 children every school day − and, together, we can reach the next hungry child waiting for Mary's Meals. It cost just €22 to feed a child for an entire school year. We would like to express our thanks and acknowledge the most recent donations totalling €1200.00 to Mary Meals. Anyone who wishes to give to this Charity can leave their donation in the Parish Office.

"St. Ignatian Spiritual Exercises for Men - Led by Fr Stephen Kennedy, IVE, Fri Feb 2nd to Mon Feb 5th (bank holiday) in De La Salle Retreat Centre, Castletown, Laois, R32N6D8. Cost €200 - includes all meals and en-suite single rooms. Call Sr. Constancy 089 - 2152307 or c.puertadelaauroral@gmail.com"

Stedfast Shoes Brass Band: If you are interested in trying something different for 2024, Stedfast Shoes Brass Band might have the ideal answer for you. Following another busy and exiting year, the band are holding an open night for adults interested in learning to play a brass instrument. Adults aged 18+ are welcome to come along to the band rooms on Wednesday 17th Jan at 7.30pm to get an introduction to the world of brass band music. Musical experience is not required, and the band are looking to meet anyone who has an interest in trying their hand at playing a brass instrument such as cornet, euphonium, baritone, bass etc. Adults who have played any instrument in the past, can read music, or have a good ear for music will be particularly welcome. In addition to offering tuition, the band have a range of instruments available to practice on and will supply music as required. The band are also interested in hearing from adults who have previously played a brass or percussion instrument and would like to join our existing rehearsals which take place every Thursday night at 7.30pm. Further details can be got by contacting any member of the band, emailing info@stedfastshoesbrassband.ie or calling to the band rooms on Wed 17th Jan at 7.30pm.

<u>Pilgrimage to Medjugorje</u>: 10th to 17th July direct from Dublin €745 if deposit of €100 is paid before February 2nd otherwise €795 applies. Spiritual director Rev Fr Paddy Mc Ginn, Monaghan. Group leader Marian Kane 0872713260 for more information.

Kingscourt Parish Pilgrimage: in honour of Our Lady of Montserrat in Spain, takes place from September 24th – October 1st staying at the four-star Summa Hotel on the seashore of Pina del Mar. Special Booking Offer of €1140pps, inclusive of Flights, transfers, seven nights half board, three full day excursions, checked in baggage of 20kg, tourist tax, the services of a tour manager and a full religious programme, with all bookings before January 15th. Call Navan Travel on 0469068600 to reserve a place, or Kingscourt Parish Office on 0429667314 for Further information.

Special Monaghan / Fermanagh Pilgrimage to Fatima: last remaining places only 5 places left Ex Dublin for Feast Day of Saint Anthony 9th-14th June 2024 visit Saint Anthonys Baptismal Font in Lisbon and house where he was born contact James Treacy 061921470 or 00353 61921470

<u>Trócaire School Volunteers</u>: Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Do you have a passion for making this world a better place, especially for the most vulnerable? Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our School Talks Programme for Lent 2024 in the Clogher Diocese Area. If you think you have the right skills and experience and will have a few free hours during Lent, then we would love to hear from you! For more information call Casey Schell on 02890 808033 or email <u>casey.schell@trocaire.org</u>

Minor Injury Unit at Monaghan Hospital: (047 38835) hours have been extended – we are now open 08.00 – 20.00 (Mon – Sun) Closed 25th & 26th December. We aim to see you as quickly as possible. Patients 5 years & over - We treat & X Ray as needed: Broken bones, Dislocations, Foreign bodies, Sprains & Strains, Wounds, Minor chest injuries, Minor scalds & burns, Facial & eye injuries.

National Board Safeguarding Review: The Irish Bishops' Conference, along with the Association of Leaders of Missionaries and Religious of Ireland, have commissioned consultants, RSM Ireland, to undertake a review of child safeguarding in the Catholic Church. One part of this review is to engage with survivors and victims of abuse, to seek their views on Church Safeguarding processes. Specifically, RSM would like to hear from survivors who have disclosed abuse within the last twenty years, to see what needs to be improved. For more information please contact: survivor.consultation@rsmireland.ie

Safeguarding Review: If you wish to report a child safeguarding concern, please contact Martha Smyth 0044 777 5507445, or Anne Molloy 0044 787941 3855 or An Garda Síochána 00353 1 663430, · PSNI 028 90650222, · TUSLA 00353 47 30475 · Western Health and Social Care Trust 028 7131 4090.

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 member.