

The Parish Of Machaire Rois



BECAUSE, BY YOUR
HOLY CROSS
YOU HAVE REDEEMED THE WORLD.

The Exhalation of the Holy Cross.

Sunday 14th September 2025.

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Weekly Reflection.

The Exaltation of The Holy Cross.

Each year on the 14th September (today) the Church celebrates the feast of The Exaltation of The Cross - often times referred to as the Triumph of the Cross.

When we look on the cross of Jesus with the eyes of faith, we don't simply see the tragic ending of a good man's life. We behold what Paul called the power and wisdom of God, the power of a love greater than any human love, the love spoken about in today's gospel reading. **'God so loved the world** that he gave his only Son'.

While we are the beneficiaries of the triumph of God's love on Calvary, our own lives can also reveal to others the triumph of the cross. The triumph of the cross shows itself in all kinds of ways, in the tolerance and humour we show to each other against all odds, in the willingness to let go of old hurts, in the bearing of terminal illness with patience and dignity, in the fidelity to significant commitments when they become costly, in the loving service that endures even when it is not appreciated. We pray on this feast that the triumph of the cross would continue to take flesh in all of our lives.

Fr. Owen Joe.

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Saturday 13th September.	11.00am.	1st AM: David Callan, Creevy Oliver & remembering his parents Owen & May (Mary) Callan (recently deceased), his sister Yvonne Callan and deceased members of the Callan & Hoey families.
Saturday 13th September.	6.00pm.	AM. Luke Brennan and Tom & Elizabeth Callan, Drumgowna. AM. Seamus Brady, Derryolam Court. AM. Brendan & Shane Cashell, Cloughvalley.++ AM. Brendan McMahon & his parents Bernadette & James McMahon, Lisanisk & deceased members of the McMahon & McCourt families.
Sunday 14th September.	9.30am.	AM. Michael & Ellen Ward & their daughters Anne, Margaret, Eithne & Helen & deceased members of the Ward Family Monaghan St. AM. Mary & Colm Duffy, Mullinary.
Sunday 14th September.	12Noon.	AM. Denise Marron, Dundalk Road & deceased members of the Marron & Derivan families AM. Cecilia Marron, Highfield & her parents Bridget & James Loughlin.
Monday 15th September.	10.00am.	Mass for the people of the Parish.
Monday 15th September.	11.30am.	<i>Patrician High School Opening Year School Mass.</i>
Tuesday 16th September.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Wednesday 17th September.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thursday 18th September.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 19th September.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Saturday 20th September.	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
Saturday 20th September.	6.00pm.	AM. Joe & Mary Finnegan & their daughter Teresa Murray.
Sunday 21st September.	9.30am.	AM. Kevin, Philomena & Rosemary McGee, Barnadonagh.
Sunday 21st September.	12Noon.	AM. Jim Brady, Beaghmagheross. AM. Patsy & Mary McBennett, Corcuillogue. AM. Peter, Josephine & Sean Kelly, Cargaghlianarney. Mary & Tony Sheridan, Cloughvalley, Benny & Teresa Connolly, Lurgans & deceased members of the Kelly & Connolly Families. AM. Michael McKittrick, & Deceased Members of the McKittrick Family, Lurgans.

Recently Deceased.

Gerry Kieran, Valley Close, Carrickmacross.

Peter Hanratty, Dundalk, formerly Corduff.

Sharon Hanratty, Jonesboro.

Kathleen Ruth, Annacroft, Ballymackney.

Jimmy Callan, Radrumskeane, Carrickmacross.

Why Sunday Matters – The Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference has produced a Pastoral Message in the form of a short reflection document for general discussion on the importance of Sunday for Catholics in Ireland today entitled "Why Sunday Matters." There are a small number of copies available in each of the Churches and it can be accessed via www.catholicbishops.ie

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Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday 14th September.	Corduff. 11.00am.	Month's Memory: Teresa McCabe, Cornasassonagh. AM. Barney Clinton, Greaghane & deceased members of the Clinton & Kerr Families. AM. Peter McNally, his wife Ellen, daughter Margaret Rooney, son Peter James & deceased members of the McNally & Gollogly families, Corkishbane. AM. Philip Marron, Corbane. AM. Michael, Rose & Teresa Reilly, Faraghy. AM. Patrick & Bridie Connolly, their son Gerard & son-in-law Niall & deceased members of the Connolly family, Corkishbane.
Sunday 21st September.	Raferagh 11.00am.	AM. P.J. & Brigid McMahon, deceased members of the McMahon & Ward families, Ardragh. AM. Sadie Larkin, Corcreagh & deceased members of the Larkin & Nesbitt families. AM. Tommy McEnaney, his parents Tommy & Brigid McEnaney & deceased members of the McEnaney family. AM. Hubert, Pat & Tommy Larkin, their parents & deceased members of the Larkin family, Corcreagh. AM. Patrick & Mary Duffy Carrickahogue & deceased members of the Duffy family, Lisnadaragh.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Michael's, Corduff every Wednesday evening from 5-7pm, finishing with Rosary at 6:30pm.



Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Joseph's.)

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.

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

The Annual Service of Remembrance for those who have died in the parish in the past year will take place in St. Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross on Sunday 23rd November 2025 at 4pm. Families are asked to give advance notice of this gathering/date to other family members.

Annual Padre Pio Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: A Coach will leave from Shirley Arms Hotel Carrickmacross on Sunday 21st September 2025 at 8.00am. for Knock Shrine. Contact Kathleen Joyce at 0429661654.

Lough Derg: The popular **One Day Retreats**, now running for more than 30 years, continue to facilitate a wide range of people who want to come on pilgrimage to Lough Derg. The One Day Retreat is open to adults and not suited to children. Fasting and walking barefoot is not required. Prayer and contemplative reflection were central to the life of Saint Patrick. It was his trust in the Lord, guided by prayer that allowed him to come to understand the presence of the Lord in his life. The spiritual reflection from the Confession of Saint Patrick guides the One Day Retreat:

Remaining Dates for September: Saturday 20th, Sunday 21st. For further information contact:
Email info@loughderg.org Telephone 071 9861518.

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Ordination of Deacon: We congratulate Gary Carville on his recent ordination, by Bishop Larry Duffy, to the Permanent Diaconate which took place last Friday in St Michael's, Annyalla. Please continue to keep Gary in your prayers as he continues his sacred ministry of service.

Vocations News: Prayers and best wishes to Martin Kane of Termon Villas, Pettigo, Co. Donegal, as he sets out later this month on the Propaedeutic Year for Priesthood. This first stage of seminary formation takes place at the English College of St Alban in Valladolid, Spain. Many will know him from his work as caretaker of the Termon Complex and as sacristan on Lough Derg. He has also given countless hours of service to Pettigo Parish, always willing to put his practical gifts to good use. This summer, Martin travelled to Lourdes for the first time, serving as a Brancardier (assistant to sick pilgrims) on the Diocesan Pilgrimage. We hold Martin in our prayers and ask God's blessing on him as he begins this new chapter. May he find joy and peace as he continues to follow the Lord's call. *Saint Charles Borromeo, Patron Saint of Seminarians, pray for him.*

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Sunday 28th September. Bus leaving Carpark behind Monaghan Credit Union at 8am. Cost €25 to be paid when booking in Wineways, Glaslough St, Monaghan – 047 72376. For further information contact Marian on 087 2709683.

Relics of St. Therese and Family Mass. There will be a Mass for families and individual blessings afterwards with the relics of St. Therese of Lisieux on Sunday, September 28th at 11.30am in St. Patrick's Church, BAWN, Co. Monaghan A75 FY98. Celebrant: Fr. Bryan Shortall. A number of priests will be available for Confessions. Tea afterwards. All welcome.

3 Day Pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy, where St. Padre Pio spent most of his life departs Friday 24th of April 2026. To book and for further details contact Eleanor: 086 8455455

Monastic Vocations Weekend: Do you feel called to seek God in prayer & contemplation, monastic work, and community life? The Cistercian community at St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn invites single women aged 19–40 to our upcoming MONASTIC VOCATIONS WEEKEND 24th-27th October 2025. Please contact our Vocation Director, Sr Mairéad, at vocations@glencairnabbey.org. for more details visit www.glencairnabbey.org

Tractor, Car & Bike Run: In aid of Carrick Cancer Society (in memory of Patjoe Kerr) on Sunday September 21st. Registration from 12Noon. Run starts at Louth Church Car Park at 1pm and finishes at Carrickmacross Catholic Hall, refreshments served. Entry Fee €20.00. (Collection in Carrickmacross 10am to 1pm.)

Blood Donation Clinic – Riverbank, Carrickmacross on Wednesday 24th September & Thursday, 25th September from 4pm – 8pm.. Check your eligibility and book your appointment at www.giveblood.ie or call us on 1800 222111.

Coffee Morning, in aid of Kingscourt and Carrickmacross Cancer Care, in Magheracloone Community Centre (across from Drumgossat N.S. Eircode: A81 HC99) on Thursday 18th September from 9am to 2pm. Hosted by Rosie Hand, June McEntee and Margaret Babington. All supporters will be entered into a free draw on the day. All welcome, your continued support would be greatly appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE. Aughnamullen Vintage Day takes place on Sunday 26th October from 12 to 5pm. Vintage displays, threshing, variety of trade stands, children's Halloween disco from 12 to 2pm and jiving and waltz competitions from 2pm to 5pm. Music by Damien Davis. Raffle on the day. Admission €10 (children FREE). Please support.

Samaritans Calls for Volunteers: We are currently seeking volunteers to join our new team in Monaghan. Samaritans provides full training and ongoing support to every volunteer. Interviews and training will take place in Carrickmacross in October. **How to Get Involved.** If you're interested in becoming a volunteer, please visit <https://www.samaritans.org/ireland/branches/drogheda/> or contact Drogheda branch recruitment@samaritans.org for more information. Samaritans welcomes volunteers from all walks of life and is committed to fostering an inclusive, supportive environment for everyone who joins our team. Together, we can ensure that no one has to face life's challenges alone.