

Sunday 16th July 2023. 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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

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

Weekly Reflection.

Sowing the Seeds

As any farmer will tell you, a bag of seed will decompose or rot if left for a time. It will not grow unless it is scattered on soil – then it will produce 30,60 or 100 fold.

The gifts that we have been given will do no good either if we hoard them – we must endeavour to sow the seeds of goodness in our families and our communities. This takes effort and time and energy, but as followers of Christ, that is our calling. We must try each day to use our time, our talents and our faith to scatter the seeds of goodness and love wherever we go.

It is not up to us to produce the harvest – we can leave that to God – all we must do is cooperate with other people so that God's miracles can take place in our lives.

Fr Shane.

Saturday 15 th July.	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
Saturday 15 th July.	6.00pm. Vigil.	 AM. Frank & Eamonn Meegan, Magheraboy Anna Marie & Desmond Meegan, Kingscourt Road. AM. Tommy McKenna & Deceased Members of the McKenna Family, Corcuillogue. Remembrance Mass for Deceased Members of the Marron Family, Parnell Street.
Sunday 16 th July.	9.30am.	AM. James McKeown, Drumbroagh, Carrickmacross.
Sunday 16 th July.	12Noon.	 AM. Charlie & Maisie O'Reilly, Rockdaniel Road. AM. Patrick & Julia McNally, Magheross, Drumcondrath Road. AM. Kathleen & Patsy Dwyer & Deceased Members of the Dwyer Family, Castleblayney Road. Mass for the Deceased Members of the Steadfast Shoes Brass Band.
Monday 17 th July`.	10.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
Tuesday 18 th July.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Wednesday 19 th July.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thursday 20 th July.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 21 st July.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 21 st July.	7.30pm.	 AM. The O'Brien Family, the Bridge. & McEneaney Family, Main Street. AM. Ben Kelly, St Macartan's Villas. Birthday Remembrance: Mick Clarke, O' Neill Street.
Saturday 22 nd July.	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
Saturday 22 nd July.	6.00pm.	Vigil Mass.
Sunday 23 rd July.	9.30am.	Morning Mass.
Sunday 23 rd July.	12Noon.	 AM. Bernice Gollogly, Dundalk & Her Grandfather James Gollogly Mullinary. AM. Ann Lonergan, Beach Drive.

<u>Recently Deceased</u>: Sister Marie, de Paul Neiers. Peadar Dooley, Killanny. Phil Magee, Inniskeen. Rose Smith, Oxford, UK.

Cemetery Sunday – The Blessing of the Graves.St John's Raferagh:Sunday 16th July.(Directly after 11am. Mass.)
(Please bring Holy Water.)



Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Josephs.) The Blessed Sacrament Chapel opening hours are as follows. Monday 9-10am, Tuesday 9am-7pm, Wednesday 9-10am, Thursday 9-10am, Friday 9-10am, Saturday 10-11am and Sunday 1-6pm.

Sunday 16 th July.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	 AM. Pat, Mary & Tommy Connolly their Deceased Parents & the Deceased Members of the Connolly Family, Carrickamore. The Blessing of Graves will take place in St John's The Evangelist Cemetery after 11.00am. Mass.
Wednesday19 th July.	Corduff. 7.30pm.	 AM. Michael & Mary Hanratty their Daughter Brigid & Deceased Members of the Hanratty & Duffy Families, Greagh Corduff. AM. Mary Ann & Felix Rushe, Greaghlane.
Sunday 23 rd July	Corduff. 11.00am.	AM. Michael & Anna Callan Shanco, Corduff.

Corduff / Raferagh Mass Intentions.

The Biggest Thank You to everyone who baked and donated to the bake sale in Raferagh on Sunday 2^{nd} July. There was a whopping \in 840 raised bringing my total fundraising to \in 3200 which will go directly to the charity Project Zambia and straight to the people in Zambia. This would not have been possible without everyone's unbelievable generosity, and I am beyond grateful. **Thank you to all**. Leah Cooney.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

Will take place *each <u>Wednesday evening</u>* in Corduff/Raferagh 5pm until Mass at 7:30pm.

Procession in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima: will be held on Sunday 23rd July. Leaving the Grotto on the Donaghmoyne Road at 3.00pm. Led by the Steadfast Shoes Brass Band. All welcome, Rosary recited on route. Refreshments in Markey's Lounge, Main Street.

Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: The Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Sunday, 23rd July – the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. All are welcome for this wonderful celebration of family and faith through the generations. The Principal Celebrant and Homilist will be Bishop Denis Nulty, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin and Chair of the Bishops' Council for Marriage and the Family. Music will be by the combined choirs of Knock Shrine who will be joined by Dana for "Lady of Knock" and her new hymn "Light the Flame." All are welcome. For more information see www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org.

<u>Kingscourt Parish</u>: is holding a **One Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg** on **Tuesday 22nd August**. Anyone wishing to join the Pilgrimage is asked to contact Ann on 0872807982 to reserve a place.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, **Wednesday 6 September 2023**, led by Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher. Families and parish or prayer / community groups are welcome to make the journey and to gather in Knock for 10.30am that morning. The pilgrimage will conclude with Mass in the Basilica at 3pm. Organised by the Clogher Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes committee.

<u>Blessed Carlo Acutis International Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition</u> - 1st display. As part of the renewal of Eucharistic Adoration in Carrickmacross parish, on the first weekend in September, the first church approved Eucharistic miracle exhibited is from 1996 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, when the current Pope Francis was bishop there. This 3 poster display is in the porch of St Joseph's church.

<u>Al -Anon Family Support meetings</u>: in Doohamlet Community Centre, A75 E599 each Thursday at 8pm.

St Finbarr's Church Annual B.B.Q. takes place on **Friday 21st July at 7.00pm**, at the Rectory Drumonrath Rd, Music by Barry Jay Hughes Tickets €20.00 available from Crock O' Gold, Sweetnams, and Keegans. Everyone welcome.

<u>Minor Injury Unit at Monaghan Hospital</u> (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.

<u>Carrickmacross Library</u>: Every Monday morning from 11:00am to 12:00 noon Carrickmacross Library will have Tea/Coffee facilities & Croissants with the Irish Times Simplex & Crossaire Crosswords & Sudoku for our users. Everyone Welcome

St. Joseph's Cemetery – July 2023 Update.

The first draft of our new 'Cemetery Display Board' is now complete and is available to view in the front porch of St. Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross. This Display Board contains a map of the Cemetery and is divided into three sections: A, B & C. Those interred in the Cemetery are listed in alphabetical order by section, with the following details included; Surname, First Name, Address, Month of Death, Year of Death, Age at Death & Plot Number. The details on this Display Board are based exclusively on the physical survey of the Cemetery carried out by Irish Graveyard Surveyors. We are now inviting all parishioners and relatives of those interred in St. Joseph's Cemetery, to check the information on this draft Display Board for accuracy and to make changes / additions as required. Changes / additions can only be made by completing and signing an 'Alterations Form' – these forms are available at the Parish Office during opening hours; 10.00am to 12.30pm, Mon – Fri. The cut-off for making any changes / additions is **Fri 28th July '23**. Thereafter, any alterations will be included in the final Display Board which will then be manufactured and erected in the Cemetery. Our aim is to have this work completed during Sept '23. New internments can be uploaded to the website; www.Irishgraveyards.ie in real time, while the 'Display Board' will be updated every three years.

The Cemetery gates and first section of railing have been cleaned, zinc galvanised and painted, and have been re-installed at the Cemetery. Work on restoring the remaining sections of railing will continue across the summer and early autumn months. Some of the new Cemetery lighting has been installed – again this work will continue during the coming months.

Following a number of complaints, the Cemetery Committee has decided that **"No Dogs or Pets are permitted in the Cemetery at any time"** – accordingly, signs have been erected throughout the Cemetery.

The Cemetery Committee wishes to acknowledge receipt of a number of generous donations towards this year's improvement projects, however, we are still way short of our target of €26,000. A reminder that the link to our idonate.ie Crowdfunder page is; https://www.idonate.ie/crowdfunder/PatDoherty.



Alternatively, you can scan the QR code attached: Donations can still be made at the Parish Office or by contacting Patrick Doherty on 087-8131929 or Richard Malone on 087-6524847 – all money received will be receipted. Signed, Cemetery Committee.