

# The Parish Of Machaire Rois



**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent. Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025.**

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## **Weekly Reflection.**

### **Wonder and Awe in God's presence.**

Our young adults in sixth class are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation in early May. They are presently learning about the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit that they will receive on that day. One of those gifts is wonder and awe in God's presence. The three chosen disciples in the Gospel today experience a moment of wonder and awe on the mountain in the Transfiguration. They become tongue tied and mesmerised by the moment and wish to remain in that state of ecstasy forever. Jesus however brings them back to reality quite quickly, but the memory of the moment sustains the three in the later difficult days of the passion of Jesus.



All of us can share in the wonder and awe of God when we appreciate and celebrate all that is good in oneself, in others and in creation.

This gift of the Holy Spirit helps us to see the work of God in ordinary everyday things. It's in the beauty of spring and the buds and flowers of new growth all around us.

Today we could try to see the grandeur of God in each other and in creation.

Fr Shane.

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<b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Jimmy Scotson, Mullinary & Mary Fennell, The Bridge.
<b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>6.00pm.</b>	<b>Month's Memory.</b> Jolanta Diementiene, Glaslough Street, Monaghan. <b>AM.</b> Jimmy & Catherine Chambers, Dunogue, John Chambers, Camp, Tralee & Harry Chambers, Tiragarvan. <b>AM.</b> Kitty & Brian Hand, St Macartan's Villas & deceased Hand & Keenan families. <b>AM.</b> Mary McConnell, Drummond Etra.
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> John Malone, Woodlands, Brian & Josie Scanlon, their daughter-in-law Leslie, London.
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Seamus Hanratty, Dundalk Road. <b>AM.</b> Paddy Dolan, Farney Street.
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March.</b> 	<b>9.30am.</b>	<i>Mass for the Feast of St. Patrick.</i> <b>AM.</b> Kate & Bernard Hand, Drummond Etra & deceased Hand Family. <b>AM.</b> Anthony Daly, Granarogue & deceased members of the Daly Family <b>Remembrance Mass.</b> Fr Paddy Marron, Parnell Street & Denise Marron, Dundalk Road.
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March.</b> 	<b>12Noon.</b>	<i>Mass for the Feast of St. Patrick.</i> <b>AM.</b> Peter, Chris & Frank Marron & deceased family members, St Macartan's Villas.
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Tessie & Larry Murphy, Sr Honoria & Barney & Mary Ann Murphy. <b>AM.</b> Peter & Mary Ward, "Rosella," Donaghmoyne Road. <b>Remembrance Mass</b> The Murphy family, Givney family, Martin family, Jimmy Finnegan, Rose Lee & Kevin Sweeney.
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>AM.</b> Michael Daly, Corkishbane, deceased members of the Daly family & Mary McCabe.
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>Mass for Lent.</b>
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March.</b>	<b>7.15am.</b> <b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b> <b>AM.</b> Michael & Peggy Curley, Castleblayney Road. <b>AM.</b> Rose McKeown, 19 Highfield.
<b>Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> March.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Selina McMahan, her grandparents Michael & Margaret Goss, Patrick & May McArdle, Baby Francis Goss & Michael Goss. <b>AM.</b> Veronica Kelly, Corrybracken, Magheracloone.
<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.</b>	<b>6.00pm.</b>	<b>Month's Memory:</b> Rose Callan, Drumgowna. <b>AM.</b> Anne & Michael Martin, Kilmactrasna. <b>AM.</b> Michéal Downey, Patrician Drive. <b>AM.</b> Macartan Murphy, O'Neill Street & deceased members of the Murphy Family. <b>AM.</b> Julia Shields, Cloughvalley, remembering her son Owen Shields.
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> AM.</b> Paddy Burns, Corcrin. <b>AM.</b> Teresa & James Fox & their son Thomas 21 Cuchulainn Terrace & deceased members of the Fox & McDaniel Families. <b>AM.</b> Patrick McCarthy (Corkie), Parnell Street.
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Paddy O'Reilly, Convent View. <b>AM.</b> Frank Carolan, 28 Emmett Street.


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**Recently Deceased:** Ollie Martin, Rossdreenagh. Kathleen McKeivitt, Lisgall.  
Tommy Woods, Corravoo, Broomfield.

## Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

**Sunday at 11am (alternating)**

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<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Corduff 11.00am.</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup>AM. Mary McCabe, Corkishbane.</b> <b>AM.</b> Peter & Rose Gollogly, Corbane & deceased family members. <b>AM.</b> Nancy McConnon & deceased McConnon family, Sreenty. <b>AM.</b> Ellie & Pat Joe Finnegan & deceased family members, Lisacullion. <b>AM.</b> Eugene & Bridget Connolly, their sons John, Michael & Fr Eugene, Corduff.
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Raferagh 11.00am.</b>	 <i>Mass for The Feast of St. Patrick.</i>
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March.</b>	<b>Corduff 7.30pm.</b>	<b>Mass for Lent.</b>
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.</b>	<b>Raferagh 11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Patsy & Kathleen Farrelly, Lisdrumturk & deceased family members. <b>AM.</b> Maureen & J.J. McEnaney, Corvalley. <b>AM.</b> Mary Ann Dillon, Comertagh, her sister Margaret King & her husband Thomas King, Maudabawn, their daughter Briege Connolly Navan, their daughter-in-law Kathleen King Comertagh.

**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 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.**



### **St. Patrick's Prayer.**

I arise today, Through the strength of heaven, Light of the sun,  
Splendour of fire, Speed of lightning, Swiftmess of the wind,  
Depth of the sea, Stability of the earth, Firmness of the rock. I arise today,  
Through God's strength to pilot me; God's might to uphold me,  
God's wisdom to guide me, God's eye to look before me,  
God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me,  
God's hand to guard me, God's way to lie before me,  
God's shield to protect me, God's hosts to save me.

**St Joseph's Triduum:** Triduum of prayer and healing in honour of St. Joseph The Worker will take place on the Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>April & Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025 in St Joseph's Church. Mass 10.00am & 7.30pm each day. Fr. Robert McCabe from Navan will lead our Triduum this year.

**Pioneer Council:** **Step forward, stand out** take the temporary pledge this Lent. Send Applications through our email [southmonaghanpioneers@gmail.com](mailto:southmonaghanpioneers@gmail.com) at any time.

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## **Eucharistic Ministers.**

**During the season of Lent, we will be holding two nights of inservice for our Eucharistic Ministers. This will enable ministers to achieve an ever deeper understanding of the very important ministry in our Church.**

**We are looking for new Volunteers to join our Eucharistic Ministry Team. If you are interested in the role of Eucharistic Minister, please contact the Parish office on 042 9661231, or alternatively please call to the office in person, during Parish Office hours Monday – Friday 10am – 12.30pm.**

**The second of the meetings will take place for\*ALL Existing and New Ministers\* this coming Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March from 7.00pm – 8.30pm. in the Workhouse, Carrickmacross.**

## **Masses for Lent in Machaire Rois Parish.**

**St Joseph's Church Carrickmacross:** Monday – Friday at 7.15am & 10.00am and Saturdays at 11.00am.

**Corduff/Raferagh: Wednesday Evening Masses for Lent at 7.30pm.**

**Corduff:** Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Raferagh:** Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Please note** that these Wednesday Evening Masses will be celebrated in the Church where Mass was celebrated the **previous** Sunday – and are available for the booking of Anniversaries.

## **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).

**Fr Matthews Semba:** We are acknowledging the overwhelming response to the Fr Matthews Appeal; we have already received €9,015 which we have forwarded to Fr. Matthew. Copies of Fr Matthews appeal is available in each of the three churches (Beside Newsletter). We welcome any further contributions and anyone who wishes to give to this Charity can leave their donation in the Parish Office.

**Upgrade of the Holy Family Hall:** An application was made last year to the 2024 Community Centre Investment Fund for assistance to upgrade the Holy Family Hall and we are pleased to inform you that on the 11<sup>th</sup> March the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht, Dara Calleary, TD announced that we will receive a grant aid of €100,000 to assist in the development of this project.

**Saint Louis Secondary School Carrickmacross:** It's school musical time of year again and the Transition Year students and musical production team of teachers in St. Louis, Carrickmacross, are putting the final touches to weeks of rehearsals for this year's production, "Shrek." Ticket numbers are limited due to the capacity of the hall so will sell out fast. The show starts at 7.30pm each evening and runs from 2nd- 4th April. Tickets are on sale now at [www.Eventbrite.ie](http://www.Eventbrite.ie) or can be purchased directly from school reception.

**Ulster Provincial Pioneer Council host National Ball 2025:** Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> April, Mass in St Macartan's Cathedral at 6.00pm, followed by dinner in Four Season's Monaghan at 7.30pm Music and Dancing to Brendan McCahey Band.

**Youth 2000:** are hosting their annual Ulster Spring Retreat 4th-6th April in St. Macartan's College, Monaghan. This retreat is open to all 16–35-year-olds and is donation only. At our retreats, you will have the opportunity join with over 100 young people and learn more about your Catholic faith. Come along anytime throughout the weekend and participate in the Sacraments, social, music, sport and fun. Please visit [youth2000.ie](http://youth2000.ie) to book or for more information on weekend schedule. We invite you to step out and explore your faith this Lent, in an open and inviting environment.

**A first Class Relic of St. Therese of Lisieux and St. Damian** will be in Doohamlet on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. For blessings from 2.00pm to 8.00pm Eircode A75aw74. Enquiries to 0834642018. All welcome