

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 20th July 2025.

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

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Weekly Reflection.

Tourists!

The great folk singer, Christy Moore was a dab hand at noticing and articulating how people's behaviour can be so foolish. In one of his famous songs, Lisdoonvarna, he sings the line 'we go there and they come here' to sum up the frantic nature of the holidaymaker running round the world looking for excitement, novelty or fulfilment, not realising that their deepest desires could be satisfied much closer to home.

I am not a great one for foreign travel. I prefer to experience the scenic beauty of our own country and the idiosyncrasies of our own place, where the majesty of the landscape and the marvel of creation can be found. Others tear off to faraway places and are whisked along by tour guides of one city or another catching glimpses of Trump Tower, Buckingham Palace, or the Sistine Chapel. Such travellers never get to see the intricacies of the structure or experience the intimacy of the architectural design and skilled craftmanship, nor get a sense of the reality of local life, for the tour moves on briskly and anyway, often they are too busy with recording everything on their phones, and return home with nothing but exhaustion and a superficial experience of the tourist trail.

Martha was a bit like that in the Gospel today. So busy with all she had to do she missed the experience of Jesus' presence. Mary on the other hand realised that listening as a disciple to the Lord was a moment of grace to be savoured.

Our choice is similar. Do we choose the superficial hectic busyness of frantic activity, or the more sedate listening and pondering of gently being present to the Lord.

Mary had chosen the better part. So should we. Fr Shane.

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Sat 19 th .July.	11.00am.	1st AM. Bridie Ward, Coolfore, remembering her husband Mickie Ward.
		AM. The O'Brien family, The Bridge & the McEneaney family,
		Main Street.
Saturday	6.00pm.	AM . Ben Kelly, St Macartan's Villas & deceased Members of the Kelly
19 th July.		& Hughes Families.
		AM. Seamus & Maggie O'Reilly, Mullinary & deceased members of
		the Kelly & O'Reilly families.
Sunday	9.30am.	AM. James McKeown, Drumbroagh.
20 th July.		, ·
Sunday	12Noon.	1 st AM. Patricia Ward, Cookstown, Co Tyrone, formerly Rockdaniel
20 th July.		Road.
		AM. Bernice Gollogly, Dundalk, her grandparents James & Margaret
		Gollogly, Mullinary.
Monday	10.00am.	Mass for the people of the Parish.
21 st July.		
Tues 22 nd July.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Wed 23 rd July.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thurs 24 th July.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Fri 25 th July.	10.00am.	AM. James, Mae & Patrick Hamill, Monagirr.
Sat 26 th .July.	11.00am.	Month's Memory, Irene Rouse, Lisanisk, Carrickmacross.
Saturday	6.00pm.	AM. Patrick, Margaret, Marion & John Conlon, Crossroads, Mullinary
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Recently Deceased.

Michael Finnegan, Cloughvalley, Carrickmacross.

Martin Harney, Booterstown, Dublin, formerly Crann Nua, Carrickmacross.

Parish Donations.

Firstly, we sincerely thank you for your continued financial support to our Parish. The new year planned giving envelopes have been distributed, if you have not received your envelopes and would like to receive a box, please contact our Sacristans or telephone the Parish Office 0429661231. We offer an online donation facility for the Parish; you can access this facility on the homepage of our Parish website www.carrickmacrossparish.ie Donations can be made on a one-off or recurring basis. You may also add in your envelope number should you wish to offer your financial support to the parish in this way. All donations are treated in confidence and receipts will be emailed to you via iDonate. You can donate by setting up a direct debit with your bank, parish details can be obtained from the parish office. If you wish to make your donation to the parish by cheque, *please make all cheques payable to* <a href="https://www.stitcherum.com/stitute/www.stitcherum.com/stitute/www.stitcherum.com/stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/wwww.stitute/wwww.stitute/www.stitute/www.stitute/wwww.stitute/www.stitute/w

<u>Fr Vitus Adiita</u>: who was with us in January and February of 2025 has joined us again for the next number of weeks. We warmly welcome Fr Vitus and we hope he enjoys his time with us. He can be contacted on the parish office number 042 9661231 or 0830025311.

Fr Sylvester Chasweka: has returned to Rome to continue his studies. We thank him for his kind and generous ministry with us and wish him well. Fr Sylvester may return to us later in the year.

Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday	Corduff.	Month's Memory, Oliver (Ollie) Finnegan, Coraghy.
20 th July.	11.00am.	AM. Pete & Katie McBride, Coraghy & deceased members of
		the McBride & Burns families, Lisacullion.
		AM. The Culleton & Kelly families, Carrickamore
		AM. Frank & Mary Ann Finnegan, their son Tom, Ardragh, & the
		McDonald family, Owery.
		AM. James Keelan, Dundalk.
		AM. Thomas & Annie McPhillips, their sons Tom & Paddy, late of Umerafree
		AM. Michael & Anna Callan, Shanco, Corduff.
		AM. The Fox Family, Bocks.
		The Blessing of Graves will take place in Corduff Cemetery after
		the 11.00am Mass.
Sunday	Raferagh.	Mass for recently deceased Marie McGonigle, (née Culleton)
27 th July.	11.00am.	Ballyshannon, Co Donegal, with burial of Ashes after Mass.
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		members. Michael McCloskey, Corcreagh & deceased family
		members. Katie Lynch, Beagh & deceased members of the Lynch family.

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.

Cemetery Sunday – The Blessing of the Graves.

St Michael's Corduff: Today Sunday 20th July. (directly after 11am. Mass.)

(Please bring Holy Water)

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



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.

St Patrick's Missionary Society Mission Appeal: Fr Brendan Payne a priest with St Patrick's Missionary Society, better known as the Kiltegan Fathers, will speak at all the Masses in the Parish next weekend 26th /27th July.

Cuan Mhuire: A **Big Thank You** to all who contributed to our church gate collection last weekend Saturday 12th/Sunday 13th July. A total of €742.00 was raised. Many thanks to all who helped out on the day.

<u>Day Trip to Croagh Patrick</u>: Saturday 26th July. Booking essential €20 deposit. For more information contact Thomas Mee 0851592603.

<u>Errigal Truagh Parish</u>: Rosary Beads Blessed in Medugorje are available in the Parish Office, Carrickmacross. Suggested donation of €5 in aid of renovation of the Church of the Holy Family, Ballyoisin.

Summer Faith CAMP for ages 7 - 13yrs in Bunscoil Lughaidh Naofa, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan. Monday 21st July - Thursday 24th July 2025, 10am - 3pm each day. The activities at the camp will include art, drama, sport, music, action songs and prayer. €40 per child and €25 for each additional child in the family. Booking is essential as places are limited. Booking forms are available by emailing: carrickmacrossfaithcamp@gmail.com or hard copies are available in the Carrickmacross Parish Office, opening hours Mon - Fri 10am - 12.30pm. To BOOK Please drop the completed Booking Form along with the Cost of the camp into the Carrickmacross Parish Office.

St. Joseph's Church grounds: As part of an ongoing review of the enhancement and safety around the church we have created a protected space for pedestrians outside the main doors of the church. The placing of the Flower Planters and the Traffic Bollards are first steps in our endeavours to make the church grounds safe for the faithful who are visiting St Josephs. We wish to thank Councillor P.J. O'Hanlon and Glen O'Reilly Monaghan Co. Council, for providing the Planters and Traffic Bollards, and Richard Malone for planting the shrubs and flowers placed in the Planters. We urge people to leave the immediate church grounds around St. Joseph's for use by the elderly and those who are less mobile. The carpark between the church and the Catholic Hall should be used by the more able-bodied. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation in this regard.

<u>Catholic Grandparents Association</u> - Join us at Knock Shrine – Sunday 27th July at 2.30pm: Celebrate the National Grandparents Pilgrimage and the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. A Day of grace, blessing and prayer for families, our Church, and our future. All are welcome to bring family. There will be an Anointing Mass and Rosary (weather permitting). The celebrant will be Archbishop Francis Duffy. Music by Una Nolan and Choirs Guest. Soloist, Dana. Visit www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org.

<u>Bus to Knock</u>: National Grandparents Pilgrimage Sunday 27th July 2025. Bus leaving Main Street, Carrickmacross, at 8.00am Cost €25.00, For more information, please contact Geraldine Dooley 0879643884.

<u>Come and celebrate our Catholic faith</u> in Slane on Sunday, 3rd August- the hill where St Patrick lit the first Paschal fire in 433AD. This is a divine invitation to witness the Archbishop of Armagh symbolically light the fire of faith, hope, and love, first kindled by our patron Saint. Eurovision's Dana will sing her song for St Patrick, Light the Fire. Gathering begins at noon and includes Mass, Eucharistic healing, praise, worship and Rosary. More info at <u>lightthefire.ie</u> or email <u>info@lightthefire.ie</u>.

2025 PILGRIMAGES: KNOCK PILGRIMAGE: Monday 4th August departure from Dundalk. Special Celebration at Knock Shrine for all. Concluding with Eucharistic Healing Service with **Sister Briege McKenna, OSC.** Enquiries: 0851833110. **LOUGH DERG ONE DAY RETREAT:** Saturday, 23rd August departure from Dundalk. Enquiries: 0851833110. **MEDJUGORJE:** 27th August to 1st September (5nights) sharing €230 – limited single rooms €300. 5 nights bed, breakfast, transport to and from Dubrovnik Airport, there are only a few spaces remaining. Pilgrims are required to book their own flight. Enquiries: Laurena - 0851833110 – 0879420709.

<u>Mass Cards, Mass Bouquets, and Get-Well Mass Bouquets:</u> signed by the Priests of the Parish are available in the Parish Office, with suggested offering €15.00 (this includes price of card). All Mass Intentions are celebrated individually.

The Injury Unit at Monaghan Hospital is open 08.00 – 20.00 (Mon – Sun). **PLEASE NOTE LAST PATIENT CHECK IN IS 7PM**. Closed 25th & 26th December. Please see website www.hse.ie/injury units to see list of injuries that we can treat or contact 047 38835 for any queries. Patients 5 years & over.

Safeguarding Review: If you wish to report a child safeguarding concern, please contact Deirdre Boyle 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.