

# The Parish Of Machaire Rois



## **Ascension of the Lord. Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023.**

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## **Weekly Reflection.**

### ***"Looking into the Sky!"***

"Don't be standing there with your mouth open" was an expression from my youth that I have not heard in a while. It was said occasionally by my late father to myself and my brothers when we would be all excited when a new tractor or piece of machinery would arrive on the farm. He preferred that we would get on with our work rather than standing idly admiring the new machine.

In the First Reading today from the Acts of the Apostles, the angels challenge the disciples to stop standing looking into the sky when Jesus had ascended into Heaven. They were being urged to get back to their work; they would find Jesus present in the community where his ideals were being lived.

Sometimes we get caught up looking for the exceptional, for the miraculous, to find God. There is no need to do so. God is to be found in the everyday bits and pieces of life, when the gifts of the Holy Spirit are put into action.

Fr Shane

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<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>Morning Mass.</b>
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>6.00pm.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Betty Duffy, Kingscourt Road. <b>AM.</b> Patrick & Teresa McNally, Nafferty. <b>AM.</b> P. J. Donnelly & Deceased Members of the Donnelly Family, St Macartan's Villas.
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>Sunday Mass.</b>
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Rosemary Downey, Corcuillogue. <b>AM.</b> Sean & Nancy Devine, Donaghmoyne Road, Monsignor Patrick Devine, Kathleen Devine, Matthew & Maureen Reilly. <b>AM.</b> Johnny & Lily Finnegan, Cuchullain Terrace & Remembering their Son Larry. <b>AM.</b> Annie McEaney, Cuchullain Terrace.
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Patricia Lennon, Cavanageeragh.
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Morning Mass.</b>
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Elizabeth & John Carolan, 26 Cloughvalley & Deceased Members of the Carolan Family.
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>Morning Mass.</b>
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Joe & Jeanie Scotson & Deceased Members of the Scotson Family, Donaghmoyne Road. <b>AM.</b> Martin & Cassie Finnegan, Corduff.
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>7.30pm.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Michael McMahan, Magheraboy & Deceased Family Members Phil, Maureen, Jimmy & Rose McDonald & Deceased Members of the McDonald & McVeigh Families. <b>AM.</b> Patrick & Margaret McCabe, Tonaneave, Magheraclone & Deceased Members of the McCabe Family. <b>AM.</b> Francie Montague, Alderwood, Patrick & Cissie McCluskey, Magheraclone & their Daughter Mary Carolan, Ballyjamesduff. <b>Birthday Remembrance:</b> Frank Rooney, Woodlands.
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>Months Mind:</b> Peter Connolly, Ballybay Road.
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>6.00pm.</b> <b>Vigil Mass.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Patrick & Evelyn Mooney, Corduff. <b>AM.</b> Margaret Walsh McMahan Barley Hill / Cloughvalley. <b>AM.</b> Owen & Kathleen Conlon, St Macartan's Villas & their Daughter Nowell
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> John & May Kiernan, 3 Ross Cluain, Carrickmacross.
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>12 Noon.</b>	<b>Months Mind:</b> Declan McCabe, Mile River, his Parents Jack & Mary, his Sisters Angelina McEaney, Colette Tierney, Valerie Flynn & his Brother Cyril McCabe. <b>AM.</b> Patsy & Greta Dolan, & Deceased Family Members, Magheross. <b>AM.</b> Philomena Kawech, Magheross. <b>AM.</b> Kathleen Smith, 35 Highfield & Remembering her Son Philip. <b>AM.</b> Joe & Christina Rooney, Shercock Road. <b>AM.</b> Michael & Peggy Conlon & their Son Shane, Emmet Villas. <b>AM.</b> Katie, Rosie, Packy & Pete Boylan & their Deceased Parents, Lisnaguivera.

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**Recently Deceased:** Veronica (Verney) McCabe (nee Martin) Nafferty / Parnell Street. Caleb Faughnan, Blackthorn Cross, Shercock Road. Peter Keenan, Shercock. Colette Whelan (nee Byrne) Dublin/Corduff. Bridie (Brigid) Connolly, (nee Garrity) Corkishbane, Corduff. Peter McMahon, Derrilan, Broomfield.

## Corduff / Raferagh Mass Intentions.

<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Raferagh 11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Tommie McCahey, Cargahogue. <b>AM.</b> Michael & Kathleen Hand, Corcreagh.
<b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup> May.</b>	<b>Corduff. 7.30pm.</b>	<b>AM.</b> James, Julia, Hugh, Bridie & Rose McGardle, Carrickamore, Corduff.
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> AM.</b> Kathleen Walsh (nee Keenan) Lisnafedally & Jim Joe Walsh & Deceased Members of the Walsh Family, Lisnafedally, Mick & Katie Ward, Corduff. <b>AM.</b> Mary & Thomas Keenan & their Son Thomas, Sreenty & Deceased Members of the Keenan & Rushe Families Greaghlane.



**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.**

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

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



### **' SISTERS OF ST LOUIS THANKSGIVING FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023**

The Parish of Machaire has decided to postpone the proposed celebrations honouring the Sisters of St Louis, until a later date.

### Procession with the Blessed Sacrament 2023.

#### Invite.

This year's procession will take place on **Sunday 28th May at 3pm**. We encourage you to join the procession, and welcome you to decorate your homes & windows, and to join us in prayer as we pass your household, or as you stand along the route, if you do not wish to walk the full route.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to the children of our Faith Community, who celebrated the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year, to also join in the procession.

#### Procession – Route.

The route this year will be as follows, starting from St Joseph's Church Carrickmacross at 3pm - turning to Farney Street, down by the Convent, via Mullinary, turning right towards Parnell Street, toward Main Street, turn Right at Main Street towards O'Neill Street back to St Joseph's, Benediction will take place outside St Joseph's Church at approximately 4pm.

**Stedfast Shoes Brass Band:** will give a short recital at the end of the May Time Procession on Sunday 28th to celebrate the 65th anniversary of their first public performance. The recital will be followed by a short talk on the early life of the band. Anybody interested in attending will be most welcome.

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**Change of Parish Email Address:** Please note that our Parish Email Address has **changed** to [carrickmacross@clogherparishes.ie](mailto:carrickmacross@clogherparishes.ie) taking effect immediately. We kindly request that you update your records with our new email address and use it for all future correspondence. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

**Pop up Shop in Aid of St Finbar's Church:** Pop up shop in Aid of St Finbar's Church, Thursday May 25<sup>th</sup> to Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup> in 22 Main Street Carrickmacross (next door to Ulster Bank). All goods accepted (except electrical goods). All inquires to Doreen Monahan 0876291213 & Eleanor Howell 0876490429.

**IMPORTANT!!!! Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June,** has been set aside in our diocese as a day of prayer, reflection, and discussion for all the clergy as they come together, with the help of a number of lay people, to discern the future direction of pastoral ministry in this area over the next 10 years. Please note that there will be no Masses (including Funerals) across the Diocese of Clogher on Tuesday 6 June 2023. This day is just one part of the early stages of discerning a Pastoral Plan for the whole diocese and how parishes and pastoral areas will work in the future.

**Fundraiser:** for the missionary work of the congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary in Africa, Philippines, India. To donate please contact Kevin Gartlan on 087 1852851.

**Pentecost Ecumenical Service:** All are invited to take part in the 2023 Pentecost Ecumenical Service, which will be held on **Sunday 28 May at 4pm at St Daig's Round Tower, Inniskeen**, a site of Christian worship from the earliest days of the faith in these parts. The service will be presided over by Bishop Larry Duffy and Bishop Ian Ellis from the Church of Ireland, and it will include contributions from members of local Christian Communities in the area, as we mark the day on which the Holy Spirit first descended on the Church at Pentecost. All are welcome!

## **St. Joseph's Cemetery – May 2023 Update.**

The Cemetery Committee is delighted to announce that we have recently launched an idonate.ie Crowdfunder page. The link is <https://www.idonate.ie/crowdfunder/PatDoherty>.



Alternatively, you can scan the QR code attached:

We would encourage you to share this link with as many of your friends / colleagues #ShareTheWord. The Cemetery Committee is also inviting any individual / organisation who would like to 'adopt' one of this year's improvement projects, and fundraise for same, to contact the Committee Chairman Patrick Doherty, on 087-8131929. The Cemetery gates and a portion of the railing along the Dundalk Road, will be removed in the coming days for sandblasting & painting and will subsequently be re-instated. Grass cutting for 2023 has finally commenced and will be ongoing across the summer and autumn months. However, we need substantial assistance with strimming and weeding of path borders and other communal areas. Therefore, we are seeking volunteers to assist with these tasks. Our plan is to earmark a number of Saturday mornings across May & June for this purpose.

**The dates and times will be: Sat 27<sup>th</sup> May '23 from 10.00am to 1.00pm.**

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> June '23 from 10.00am to 1.00pm. Sat 17<sup>th</sup> June '23 from 10.00am to 1.00pm. Sat 24<sup>th</sup> June '23 from 10.00am to 1.00pm.**

If you feel you can support, please come along on any of the above Saturdays, we would really appreciate any help or support you can offer.

Signed, Cemetery Committee.