

# The Parish Of Machaire Rois



**The Holy Family of Jesus Mary & Joseph.  
*Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.***

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## **Weekly Reflection.**

***'A Sword will pierce your soul.'***

I believe these words of Simeon to Mary on the occasion of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple have been echoed down the centuries when doctors tell the parents of a newborn baby that their child has special needs.

Phil Coulter, the great Derry songwriter had a son Paul who was Downes Syndrome. Phil did not know how to cope with this 'gift' from God and for months he struggled to come to terms with the sense of anguish and devastation experienced by both he and his wife. It was then that he wrote a most powerful song about his beautiful and beloved child. Paul died at the age of four but in his short life he gave Coulter a glimpse and an insight into these special messengers from God.

'Scorn not his simplicity' is a favourite of mine especially the version sung by the late Luke Kelly. On this Feast of the Holy Family, you might seek out the song and try to understand the magnificence of God in the lives of these signs of contradiction.

*Fr Shane.*

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<b>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Bridie Morris, 50 St Macartan's Villas.
<b>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>6.00pm. Vigil.</b>	This Mass will be recorded by LM FM. For Broadcasting on Sunday Morning.
<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>December.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Oliver Martin, 24 Crann Nua, formerly St Macartan's Villas.
<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Noeleen Keenan, her parents Ned & Kathleen Keenan, 33. St Macartan's Villas. <b>AM.</b> Michael Joe McDonald, Crossroads, Mullinary. <b>AM.</b> Roseena O'Brien, Late of Pearse Avenue. <b>Remembrance Mass</b> for the late Alexandra Schwenk, Berlin
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>New Year Day Mass.</b> <i>Feast of Mary, The Mother of God</i> <i>World Day of Peace.</i>
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January.</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Morning Mass.</b>
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> John Maguire Ballybay Rd., Carrickmacross
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Michael & Margaret Hughes and John and Maidie Hughes
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	<b>10.00am.</b>	<b>First AM.</b> Catherine (Kit) Ward, 5 Pennybridge, Carrickmacross
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	<b>7.30pm.</b>	<b>Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Epiphany.</b> <b>AM.</b> Patsy Kirke his Parents Thomas & Catherine Kirke, Greaghdrumneesk. <b>AM.</b> Rosie McGee, Barnadonagh, Carrickmacross.
<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>	<b>Mass for the Feast of the Epiphany.</b>
<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	<b>6.00pm. Vigil.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Martin Fealy Crann Nua <b>AM</b> Terry Cassidy Mullaghmacteer, Ardee Rd <b>AM.</b> Francis & Kitty Kiernan, Tullynaskeagh <b>AM.</b> P.J Reilly 7 Cloughvalley & the Deceased Members of the Reilly Family
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>	<b>Sunday Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	<b>12Noon.</b>	<b>Birthday Remembrance</b> Julia Shields Cloughvalley <b>AM.</b> Brian & Teresa Duffy, 23 Emmet St., Carrickmacross

**Recently Deceased:** Rose Kelleher (Nee McEnaney) Dublin, formerly from Corduff  
Owen Shields, Cloughvalley



*May your year be filled with peace,  
prosperity, and love.  
May God's blessings shower upon you and  
bestow upon each of you  
a bright, healthy, and peaceful  
New Year.*

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## Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

**Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday Evening at 7.30pm (alternating) \* see updated schedule below for dates \***

**Sunday at 11am (alternating)**

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<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December.</b>	<b>Raferagh. 11.00am.</b>	<b>Sunday Mass.</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January.</b>	<b>Corduff 7.30pm.</b>	<b>New Year Day Mass.</b> AM. Michael (Mick) & Margaret McConnon & Deceased Members of the McConnon Family, Greagh.
<b>Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan</b>	<b>Corduff</b>	<b>No Mass.</b>
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	<b>Corduff. 11.00am.</b>	<b>AM.</b> Bridgie, Tommy & Paddy Marron and & Deceased Members of the Marron Family, Umerafree.  .....Private Intention

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

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



### Adoration in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. (St Josephs.)

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.**

**Blessed Sacrament Adoration Hours:** The Adoration chapel has some additional Adoration slots. Thursday and Friday at 8am and Saturday 5-6pm. If you feel you could commit to any of these new hours, please call Teresa on 087-3117929.

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

**Special Monaghan / Fermanagh Pilgrimage to Fatima:** last remaining places only 5 places left Ex Dublin for Feast Day of Saint Anthony 9<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> June 2024 visit Saint Anthonys Baptismal Font in Lisbon and house where he was born contact James Treacy 061921470 or 00353 61921470

**National Board Safeguarding Review:** The Irish Bishops' Conference, along with the Association of Leaders of Missionaries and Religious of Ireland, have commissioned consultants, RSM Ireland, to undertake a review of child safeguarding in the Catholic Church. One part of this review is to engage with survivors and victims of abuse, to seek their views on Church Safeguarding processes. Specifically, RSM would like to hear from survivors who have disclosed abuse within the last twenty years, to see what needs to be improved. For more information please contact: [survivor.consultation@rsmireland.ie](mailto:survivor.consultation@rsmireland.ie)

**Trócaire School Volunteers:** Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Do you have a passion for making this world a better place, especially for the most vulnerable? Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our School Talks Programme for Lent 2024 in the Clogher Diocese Area. If you think you have the right skills and experience and will have a few free hours during Lent, then we would love to hear from you! For more information call Casey Schell on 02890 808033 or email [casey.schell@trocaire.org](mailto:casey.schell@trocaire.org)

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## ***New Year's Prayer***

God of all time, help us enter the New Year quietly,  
thoughtful of who we are to ourselves and to others,  
mindful that our steps make an impact  
and our words carry power.

May we walk gently.

May we speak only after we have listened well.

Creator of all life,  
help us enter the New Year reverently,  
aware that you have endowed  
every creature and plant,  
every person and habitat  
with beauty and purpose.

May we regard the world with tenderness

May we honour rather than destroy.

Lower of all souls,  
help us enter the New Year joyfully,  
willing to laugh and dance and dream,  
remembering our many gifts with thanks  
and looking forward to blessings yet to come.

May we welcome your lavish love.

*In this new year, may the grace and peace of Christ bless.  
us now and in the days ahead.*

**On behalf of Fr. Shane & Fr Kevin and the Parish Team, may we wish all  
our Parishioners, a New Year filled with Many Blessings.**

