

The Parish Of Malchaire Rois



Sunday 3rd December 2023.

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Weekly Reflection.

"Stay Awake"

Successful people are those who manage to grasp the opportunities that come their way and make the most of them. There is an old expression; "Life works out best for people who make the best of how things work out." Contented people are those who find satisfaction in their lot – not striving after things which are unattainable, nor idling and misusing their gifts, but people who find their lives and their families and their communities to be the sources of strength, energy, and joy.

As we begin the Season of Advent the Gospel has a clear warning for us – "Be on your guard, stay awake." Often this is interpreted as a warning to be ready for death, which can come suddenly and unexpectedly. But I believe it is a reminder to us, in the busy run-up to Christmas that there will be plenty of opportunities to be generous, thoughtful, and caring. There is a need to filter out all the distractions and the noise and the presents, to focus on the important things in life. There will be opportunities over the next few weeks when we will be able to catch a glimpse of God all around us. These special moments of grace are our opportunities to be contented people. Let us not miss the opportunity.

Fr Shane.

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Saturday 2nd December.	11.00am.	Months Memory: Paddy Duffy, 55. Drummond Etra. AM. Kathleen Gilsean, Drumbroagh.
Saturday 2nd December.	6.00pm. Vigil.	1st AM. Jim McCarthy, 9. Castleblayney Road. AM. Yvonne McCabe, Valley Close & Remembering Pdraig McCabe. AM. Alan Woods, Kilkerry, Dundalk. AM. Angela Woods, 8. Drummond Etra. AM. Bosco Malone, Drumgowna his Brother Barney, Bridge Street. Patrick & Cissie Hogan, Michelle Moore, Gerald & John Martyn. Tony Gill and Cecil McCullough, Mullingar. AM. Jacqueline Sharkey (nee Mahon) Donaghmoyne Court. AM. Patrick (Patsy) Malone. AM. Dean Finnegan Smith, Drummond Etra, & Dundalk.
Sund 3rd Dec.	9.30am.	1st AM. Lise (Lisa) Marron, Southampton, England, formerly Peaste.
Sunday 3rd December.	12Noon.	AM. Patsy Martin, Rockdaniel Road, & Deceased Members of the Martin Family. AM. Nancy & John McHugh, Magheross. AM. Terance McMahan, Corduffkelly.
Monday 4th Dec	10.00am.	AM. Gene & Margaret Marron, Mullinary & Ross Family, Ardee Road.
Tues 5th Dec.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Wed 6th Dec.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thurs 7th Dec.	10.00am.	Rem Mass. John Brendan McCabe, Corfad (formerly Cornenty).
Friday 8th December.	10.00am.	Mass for Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. AM. Marron Family, Lisnaguivera.
Friday 8th December.	7.30pm.	Mass for Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Sat 9th Dec.	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
Saturday 9th December.	6.00pm. Vigil.	Months Memory: John Crosby, Halftate, Carrickmacross. AM. Peter Shields, Nafferty. AM. John & Josie Meegan, late of 8. Cloughvalley. AM. Peadar & Sylvia Finnegan & their Son John, & their Daughter Dymrna McGuinness, Rossdreenagh. AM. John & Margaret Kennedy, their Son Martin, & Daughter Patricia "Craighlea", Carrickmacross & Jim & Margaret McDonald, Clogherhead.
Sunday 10th December.	9.30am.	Mass for the Benefactors & Deceased Members of The St Vincent De Paul, Carrickmacross, Paddy Martin, Francie Cassidy, Alan Kent, Joe Meegan, & Macartan Murphy.
Sunday 10th December	12Noon.	AM. Peter & Rita Cogan, & their Daughter Rosarie Cogan, Patrician Drive. AM. Kathleen Campbell, Convent View.

Recently Deceased: Moya Kirkpatrick, Magheraboy Road.

Ann Hamill, (nee Healy) Tullynahinera.

The Annual Service of Remembrance Ceremony.

We would like to say a special word of thanks to all who joined us in this beautiful service and to all those who helped make it a memorable evening.

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Corduff / Raferagh Mass Intentions.

Sunday 3rd December	Raferagh 11.00am.	AM. Frank & John McCaul & Deceased Members of the McCaul Family, Shantonagh. AM. Patrick McCluskey, Carrickahogue. AM. Peter Marron, & Deceased Members of the Marron Family, Ardragh. AM. Smyth & Lennon, Families Beagh, Greaghlane, Maureen & John Smyth, Raferagh.
Thursday 7th December.	Corduff 7.30pm.	<i>Adoration 5.00pm until Mass at 7.30pm.</i> Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Sunday 10th December.	Corduff 11.00am.	Months Memory: Paddy (Patrick) Keenan, Faraghy, Corduff. AM. Patsy & Maura McEnaney, Corduff, Kathleen, Phil, Tommy & Michael McEnaney, Greagh. AM. Patrick & Ellen Keenan, Greaghlane. AM. Owen Larkin, Umerafree, & his Parents Margaret & Hugh, also Remembering Tina & Hugh, Moira & Peadar McGuinness & Deceased Family Members. AM. Patsy & Josie Marron, Umerafree, & Deceased Members of the Marron & Bishops Families. AM. Patrick & Alice Conlon, Shanco & their Daughter Alice Hughes. AM. Ann Finnegan, Lisnafeddly, & her Son Brendan, Lisnafeddly/ Amsterdam. AM. Eugene (Gene) Byrne, his Grandson Lee, & Sr Columba Byrne, Sreenty & Deceased Members of the Byrne Family.

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.

Christmas Day Planned giving Envelope: It has come to our attention that the planned giving Envelope for Christmas Day has been omitted from your box of envelopes. This envelope is used for Parish Purposes, and we would greatly appreciate if you would place your donation in an envelope with your envelope number on the front of the envelope. Your Donations are always appreciated and vital for the upkeep of our Churches.

Knock Night Vigil: Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Bus leaving from the Shirley Arms, Carrick at 6.00pm Thursday 7th December. For all details contact Maeve 0874139702.

St Vincent De Paul: Church Gate Collection Saturday 9th/Sunday 10th December.

Carrickmacross Emmets Christmas Day Swim 2023: Christmas Morning at 12.30pm. Sharp, at Creevy Lake.

Mass Cards, Mass Bouquets, and Christmas Bouquets: signed by the Priests of the Parish are available in the Parish Office cost €10.00.

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Chaplet of the Divine Mercy: First Sunday of the Month at 3pm, with Confessions at 2:30pm St. Nicholas' Church, Dundalk. Featuring Holy Hour, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Confessions and Anointing of the Sick. This will next take place on Sunday 3rd December. Come and receive God's blessing.

Youth 2000 Ireland: are having their annual Christmas retreat in Dominican College, Newbridge, Co Kildare on the 8th -10th of December for ages 16-35. This promises to be a special retreat!! Excellent Speakers, Inspiring Talks & Workshops, Fantastic music, Group activities, Youth Masses, Adoration, Reconciliation, prayer, Drama, Games & plenty of time to chill out, meet new people and find out what it means to be young & Catholic today!! There are free buses leaving from all over the country to the retreat. Donation only. Find out more and register now on www.youth2000.ie

Stedfast Shoes Brass Band: will be holding their annual Christmas concert in The Shirley Arms Hotel on Sunday 3rd December. The concert starts at 7pm and features a number of local choirs in addition to the band. This years varied program will feature some new arrangements along with a selection of traditional Christmas themed tunes and carols. Looking forward to a great night of music and song and as always, thanks for your support in 2023. Tickets (€10) available at the door.

Mary's Meals Christmas Gifts Campaign: - With the cost-of-living crisis, times are that bit harder for us all. The Global School Feeding Movement Mary's Meals have launched our Christmas Gifts Campaign - giving gifts that have a real and tangible impact on those in need. From as little as €5.50, which will provide 50 meals for children in their place of education, we can play our part in changing the lives of those most in need. Visit marysmeals.ie to download a gift today or call 01-8535163/089-4339592.

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Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, Dublin direct to Mostar – Medjugorje (return via Split). Departing from Dundalk on Wednesday 12th June 2024. Early booking discount of €50 per person for all deposits of €200 received before 31st January 2024 price €815 pps. 7nights half board. Spiritual director Fr Paul Montague. For more information on joining the group please contact James on 0872202173.

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

Sacramental Dates 2024. **The Parish of Machaire Rois.**

Confirmation: 4th May at 11.00am in St Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross.

First Holy Communion.

Scoil Rois:	20 th April at 11.00am. - St Joseph's Church.
Bunscoil Lughaidh Naofa:	27 th April at 11.00am - St Joseph's Church.
Corcreagh National School:	27 th April at 11.00am. - St John the Evangelist Raferagh.
St Joseph's Boys N.S.:	11 th April at 11.00am. - St Joseph's Church.
Scoil Pdraig Corduff:	25 th May at 11.00am. - St Michaels Church, Corduff.