

The Parish Of Machaire Rois



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Sunday 5th February 2023. 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Weekly Reflection.

“The salt of the earth”

Before the invention of fridges and freezers and cold rooms to keep food, people were able to preserve food by salting it. Salt is also used to cleanse a wound; when the dentist removes a tooth he may suggest rinsing the wound with warm salty water. Often the salt may sting as it cleanses but we accept that bit of discomfort for the good that will result.

Jesus asks us today to be the salt of the earth. He is asking us to preserve the moral goodness and valuable truths of the Gospels in a world that is often coarse and vulgar. He wants us to cleanse and heal the wounds of society such as abuse and grief and pain by the way we care for our families and our communities. Sometimes the salt may sting – we may have to confront, challenge or correct those who are gone astray.

Finally salt gives flavour to so much of the food we eat. We are called to give the flavour of Christ to all our interactions with other people.

May we become people who will be recognised as the “salt of the earth.”

Fr Shane.

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Saturday 4th Feb.	11.00am	Months Mind: Martin Donnelly, Castleblayney Road. AM. Alice Finnegan, Donaghmoyne Road & her Husband Brian Finnegan.
Saturday 4th February.	6.00pm.	1st AM. Martin Cunningham, Beaghmagheross. AM. Patrick & Frances Gartlan 32 Rockdaniel Road. AM. William, Mary, James & Brian Malone, Woodlands & the deceased Members of the Shevlin family, Pennybridge, Mullinary. AM. Paul McGoldrick, Greaghdrummit. AM. Brian McMahon, Corduffkelly. AM. Brendan McSharry, Mullinary.
Sunday 5th Feb	9.30am.	Remembrance Mass: Osmaida Diogo E Silva & Special Intention: Terezinha Diogo Dala.
Sunday 5th February.	12Noon.	Months Mind: Catherine Ward, Pennybridge, Mullinary. 1st AM. Martin Kiernan, Mullinary. AM. Kate Fox & Deceased Members of the Fox Family Corcrin, Carrickmacross. AM. Mary & Aiden Cullen, St Macartan's Villas & their Son Aidan & Deceased Members of the Cullen & Howlin Families. AM. Angela Dynan, Sligo. AM. Patrick Kierans, Railway Court. AM. Barney, Kitty & Mark Busby & Deceased Members of the Busby & Gollogly Families.
Monday 6th February.	10.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
Tues 7th February.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Wednesday 8th February.	10.00am.	AM. James & Roseanne Ward, Barnadonagh.
Thursday 9th Feb.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 10th February.	10.00am.	AM. Owen & Eileen Woods, St Macartan's Villas & Deceased Members of the Woods & Hand Families. AM. Ita O'Rourke, Abbeyfeale & Bailieborough.
Friday 10th February	7.30pm.	Special Intention
Saturday 11th Feb.	11.00am	Morning Mass.
Saturday 11th February.	6.00pm.	AM. Owen Flanagan, 65 Drummond Etra. AM. Jason Thornton, Killarue.
Sunday 12th Feb	9.30am.	AM. Ciaran Clarke, Ballybay Road. AM. The Caulfield Family.
Sunday 12th Feb	12Noon.	AM. Nancy Woods, Cloughvalley & her Parents James & Catherine Kelly & Deceased Family Members, Cootehill. AM. May & Michael Swinburne & Mary & Patrick Marron, Mullinary. AM. Pat, Katie & John Steele, Drumgur Louth, also Baby Patrick Paul Allen, Ballymena & Deceased Members of the McGahon & Steele Families, Blackstaff, Inniskeen.

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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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Mass Intentions

Sunday 5th February.	Corduff 11.00am.	AM. George McKitterick, Corlea. AM. Pete & Bridgie Clinton & Deceased Members of the Clinton Family, Bocks.
Wednesday 8th February.	Raferagh 7.30pm	AM. Brendan Mc Enaney, Adragh & his Parents Tommie & Bridget & Packie & James McEnaney. AM. James McCaffrey, Shanco & Deceased Family Members
Sunday 12th February.	Raferagh 11.00am.	Morning Mass.

Recently Deceased: John Dolan, Castleblayney Road. Lisa Marron, Southampton / Peaste. Packie Jones, Magheraclone. Olive Fahey (nee Kealy) Ardee Road.

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: Monday 9-10am, Tuesday 9am-7pm, Wednesday 9-10am, Thursday 9-10am, Friday 9-10am, Saturday 10-11am and Sunday 1-6pm.

Rosary in St Josephs Church Monday – Friday at 6.30pm.

Safeguarding Review: If you wish to report a child safeguarding concern, please contact Martha Smyth 0044 777 5507445, Brendan Kelly 00353 42 9741383, or Anne Molloy 0044 787941 3855 or · An Garda Síochána 00353 1 66343, · PSNI 028 90650222, · TUSLA 00353 47 30475 · Western Health and Social Care Trust 028 7131 4090

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy: First Sunday of the Month at 3pm St. Nicholas' Church, Dundalk. Featuring Holy Hour, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Confessions and Anointing of the Sick. This will next take place on Sunday 5th February 2023. Come and receive God's blessing.

Carrickmacross Writers Club: If you are interested in having an enjoyable imaginative evening of reading writing and listening. We meet in Deerys on the second Thursday of the month. Our next meeting is on the 9th February at seven o'clock. You would be very welcome to join us. Further details on 0872784405.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SYNODAL ASSEMBLY FOR EUROPE: taking place in Prague this week. This is a continuation of the listening and discernment that is happening in our diocese and country as well as across the world since 2021. It will be followed by a Universal Synod on Synodality in Rome in October. The theme is "Enlarge the Space of your Tent" (Isaiah 54:2). Synodality means "walking together" and "listening"; it is about discerning what the Holy Spirit is saying to us as the Church in our time and into the future - especially about reaching out to those who are hurt or feel excluded and about making our Church a welcoming sacred space for all. This current process will also inform our own Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church here in Ireland.

The Irish delegation to the European Synodal Assembly will be led by Archbishop Eamon Martin of Armagh and Dr Nicola Brady, Co-Chair of the Steering Committee of the Irish Synodal Pathway. The 14 members of the delegation (7 men and 7 women) include two people from our own Diocese of Clogher who will be joining online - our seminarian Stephen Sherry, who is serving his pastoral year in Monaghan parish presently and Dr Gary Carville of Muckno & Clontibret Parishes who is Executive Secretary for Social Justice and Ecumenism at the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference in Maynooth. We pray that the Lord will guide and direct their deliberations and reflections. For further information visit www.synod.ie

Trócaire: On the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord in 1973, the Irish Bishops wrote to the Christian people of Ireland establishing Trócaire. As we mark 50 years of Trócaire, we mark 50 years of perseverance, courage, participation, accountability and solidarity. From supporting human rights defenders in Central America, to leading the relief effort in Vietnam following the war, to providing essential emergency assistance in the midst of crisis, Trócaire has been proud to work on behalf of the people of the island of Ireland in fighting injustice across the world. We thank God for our supporters and partners who empower us to do this vital work. We pray that the next fifty years will see all the people of the world working together for a more just world, and that the fruits of this work will be clear to see.

50th Anniversary Prayer *We pray for God's blessing on the work of Trócaire. We pray that all people may continue to work together for the respect of our shared human dignity and shared human rights. We thank God for the partners and generous supporters, who have enabled Trócaire to continue their work for over fifty years, empowering communities to work together for a just world. We pray for peace and may that peace be mine and yours, and with all people experiencing crises in our world.*

Early morning Eucharistic Adoration for Lent: It is planned, if we have enough numbers, to have early morning Eucharistic Adoration during Lent. This would be in the St Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross, Blessed Sacrament Chapel after the 7:15am weekday morning Mass, for 6 weeks starting Ash Wednesday Feb 22nd - Wed April 5th. If you can sign up please call Teresa on 0873117929.

St Enda's Church & Graveyard Killanny Ground Maintenance: The finance committee are seeking quotations for the cutting of the grass & hedges and spraying of weeds etc around the grounds of St Enda's Church & Graveyard. We would like to invite any company with their own equipment and insurance in completing this type of work to get in touch to discuss in more detail. To express your interest, please contact the parochial house on 042 966 1452 or email killannyparish@hotmail.com . Thank you