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St Joseph's Carrickmacross St Michael's Corduff St John's Raferagh

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<u>2nd Sunday of Lent.</u> Sunday 5th March 2023. <u>Weekly Reflection.</u>

"My Beloved Son"

The principal of a school had brought in parents of a student on one occasion to admonish them about their son's attitude; he was not putting in enough effort, was too easily distracted, and his behaviour was too often unruly, etc. When the headmaster finished speaking he waited, expecting the parents to give a stern telling-off to their son — but the mother looked lovingly at her son and tousled his hair with her hand. In that moment, the principal heard the voice of God saying "This is my beloved son"; and he learned that a parents' love is all-powerful, all-forgiving and all-life-giving.

God is our Father; his love is all-powerful, all-forgiving and all-life-giving. We are so fortunate to be his children. Like the disciples today we can say "It is wonderful to be here".

Fr Shane.

Saturday 4 th March.	11.00am	Months Mind: Philomena (Phyllis) McEvoy, Lisanisk.
Saturday 4 th March.	6.00pm	 AM. Vera & Christy Roche, Mullinary & Deceased Members of the Roche & Maguire Families. AM. Tom & Sue Hanratty & Pat & Mary Small & Deceased Family Members. AM. Francie & Teresa (Tess) Gartlan, Magheross.
Sunday 5 th March	9.30am.	Sunday Mass.
Sunday 5 th March	12Noon.	 AM. Margaret Walsh, 78. Cloughvalley. AM. Frank & Annie Cunningham & Deceased Members of the Cunningham & Culleton, Families, Tividinna, Donaghmoyne. Birthday Remembrance: Tommy McKenna, Corcuillogue
Monday 6 th March.	7.15am 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. AM. Duffy & Hoey, Families, Main Street, Carrickmacross. Private Intention .
Tuesday 7 th March	7.15am 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. Murphy Family, McGivney Family, Martin Family, Jimmy Finnegan, Kevin Sweeney & Rose Lee.
Wednesday 8 th March.	7.15am 10.00	Lenten Mass. Private Intention.
Thursday 9 th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. Weekday Mass.
Friday 10 th March.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Lenten Mass. AM. Kathleen Gartlan, Lisdoonan & Deceased Members of the Gartlan Family, Broomfield.
Friday 10 th March.	7.30pm.	Private Intention.
Saturday 11 th March	11.00am.	AM. Brian Duffy Drummond Etra.
Saturday 11 th March	6.00pm.	 AM. John Malone, Woodlands, Brian & Josie Scanlon, London. AM. Peadar McEnenaey & John & Annie McEneaney. AM. Paul Traynor & his Parents John & Roseanne Traynor. Memorial Mass Christer Kriksson, Sweeden.
Sunday 12 th March.	9.30am.	Months Mind: Olive Fahey, Ardee Road.
Sunday 12 th March	12Noon.	 1st AM. Oliver Murray, Parkville Lodge, Ardee Road. 1st AM. Patrick (Paddy) Fidgeon, Bridge Street, Mullinary. 20th AM. Rose McKeown, 19 Highfield. AM. Mary Kirke, Ardross Avenue. AM. Mary Ferguson (nee O'Dwyer) Rathlee, Co Sligo. AM. Frank & Babs Jones, Church Street & Deceased Members of the Jones, Scotson & Naughton Families.

Recently Deceased: Caroline Finlay, 16 Rockdaniel Road. Ann Kelly (nee Byrne) Dublin (formerly Mullinary). Breda Walker, Hillcrest, Mullinary.

Lenten Masses: Monday — Friday at 7.15am in St Josephs Church Carrickmacross.

Corduff / Raferagh Mass Intentions.

Sunday 5 th	Corduff	AM. Patrick McCahery, & Deceased Members of the
March.	11.00am.	McCahery Family& Patricia Lennon, Lisserill.
		AM. Bridget & Eugene Connolly, Fr Eugene, John &
		Michael Connolly, Corkishbane.
		Remembrance Mass: Terry Kelly, Shannon, Co Clare.
		(Brother-in-law of Eileen Carragher).
Wednesday	Raferagh.	Private Intention.
8 th March.	7.30pm	Remembrance Mass: Peter Brennan, Cargahogue.
Sunday 12 th	Raferagh	Sunday Mass.
March.	11.00am.	-

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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

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

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

Eucharistic Ministers.

A second meetings will take place for*<u>ALL Existing and New Ministers</u> on <u>Tuesday 7th March from 7.30pm – 9pm in the Holy Family Hall.</u>

Corduff Raferagh Community Centre 40 & 20 Year Celebration: — The 40th Anniversary celebration of the opening of Corduff Raferagh Community Centre, and the 20th Anniversary of the opening of the Mountain Dew Bar takes place on Saturday 18th March. Tickets for the Celebration Party are now on sale in the Community Centre, the Mountain Dew or from any of the Committee members. Tickets are €30 each including a 4 course dinner, music and dancing. Please let your ticket seller know if you have any dietary requirements when purchasing your ticket.

"The Down Syndrome Centre North East: would like you to join us to celebrate World Down Syndrome Day on Tuesday 21st of March. We are having a coffee morning in our premises, The Down Syndrome Centre North East, Units 16-18 Ctek building, Carrickmacross, Co Monaghan A81 FY61 from 10am to 2pm open to everyone! We also have our annual 3-2-1 Go Neon Walk/Run on Sunday 26th of March to raise much needed funds for our charity, you can register for this at www.dscnortheast.ie/events any queries please call 0429423181"

<u>Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</u>: 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 March 2023. Come and receive God's blessing.

The Novena of Hope at The Graan: is from Sat (6.30pm) 4th March to Monday 13th March. Sunday Services are 9am, 10:30am, 12 noon and 4:00p.m. Weekdays 12:30pm and 7.30pm except Wednesday 8th March, Mass @ 11am & 7.30pm. Wednesday 8th Service for the Sick @ 2.30pm. Saturday 11th March, Mass @ 11am and 6.30pm. Saturday 11th Service for the Sick @ 2.30pm. Sunday 12th March Masses are 9am, 10.30am, 12noon & 4pm. Monday 13th March (final day) Services are at 12.30pm and 7.30pm. The Graan phone: 028 66 322272.

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.

St Enda's Prayer Group Killanny – *Life in the Spirit Seminars in the Old Parish Hall, Killanny*, starting on Thursday 9th March 2023 at 8pm, - 4th May 2023. Holy Rosary at 7.30pm. For more information please see information poster on Church Porches. St Joseph's / Killanny & surrounding Parishes.

Knock Shrine: Lenten Reflections taking place online on Tuesdays from 8.15pm, to 9.15pm. Visit www.knockshrine.ie A Concert to Celebrate Saint Patrick Celebrate Lá Fhéile Pádraig, Saint Patrick's Day at Knock Basilica at 8.30pm by joining us for a special concert on Thursday 16th March. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Family Carers Ireland: are recruiting Home Care Workers all across Clogher. If you'd like to join our team, please contact jobs@familycarers.ie to find out more about our great rates and excellent benefits package.

<u>Castleblayney Drama Festival</u>: <u>3rd to 11th March</u>, <u>Iontas Theatre</u>. Details of plays on <u>www.castleblayneydramafestival.ie</u> and on Instagram and Facebook. Bookings through Iontas Box Office 042 9753400 or <u>www.iontascastleblayney.ie</u>

St. Joseph's Cemetery Update – February 2023.

As promised in Nov '22, we said we would keep you updated on pending improvement projects at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Carrickmacross.

<u>St. Joseph's Cemetery Committee / Council</u>: Chairman: Patrick Doherty and Treasurer: Eugene Marron plus committee members; Monsignor Shane McCaughey, Malachy Marron, Lisa Walsh, Richard Malone, Teresa Carolan, Padraig McNally, Joan Farrelly, Padraig Lonergan, Michael Deery and Martin Hughes.

Following extensive discussion and research, the Cemetery Committee has decided to progress with the following three projects;

- Display Board which will contain a map of the Cemetery and all those interred there.
- Cemetery Lighting.
- Restoration of the front railing and gates along the Dundalk Road.

The estimated costs of these works will be €26,500 approx, split as follows;

Display Board €6,700
 Lighting €4,200
 Railing Work €15,600
 Total €26,500

The Cemetery Committee is now reaching out to all parishioners in a fundraising appeal to off-set the costs involved in this work. Parishioners who wish to contribute, may do so in any of the following ways;

- Large donations can be pledged to either Patrick Doherty at 087-8131929 or Richard Malone at 087-6524847
- Donations can be made at the Parish Office during opening hours 10.00am to 12.30pm Monday – Friday.
- A 'Go Fund Me' page is being created for smaller donations further details to follow in the coming weeks

We as always wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for everyone's ongoing generosity, as we strive to enhance our Cemetery as a fitting memorial to our dearly departed loved ones. Signed, Cemetery Committee.