

## 6th Sunday of Easter 5th May 2024.

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#### Weekly Reflection.

May – the month of Mary.

As a youngster growing up in the North, I always believed that the only difference between Catholics and Protestants was that we had devotion to Our Lady, while they did not. This would be manifest in the fact that every Catholic home would have the family rosary every evening, and the difference would be particularly apparent in the month of May, when our schools and homes would be festooned with May Altars, and there would be May Devotions in the church, while our Protestant neighbours had no such activities or distractions.

Of course, this innocent perspective from childhood was in error. Many of the Protestant traditions fully respect the role of Our Lady in the salvation story, just not to the same extent that many Catholics do.

We are so fortunate to have Our Lady to intercede for us in all our trials and tribulations in life. As we bring flowers of the fairest and blossoms the rarest may we renew our devotion to our Blessed Mother in this month of May.

Fr Shane.

| Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> May.          | 11.00am. | Confirmation for the Boys and Girls of the Parish.  |
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| Saturday<br>4 <sup>th</sup> May.  | 6.00pm.  | <ul> <li>AM. Tom, Nancy, Tim, &amp; Kevin McCartney, Ardee Road, Patsy &amp; Mary Cabe, O'Neill Street, Jim &amp; Eileen Oliver, Drummond Etra, Alan &amp; Bridget Oliver, Ballybay, &amp; Patrick &amp; Alice McCabe, Lisagoan.</li> <li>AM. Tony O'Kane, 3 Drummond Heights, &amp; AM. his Mother Mary O'Kane.</li> </ul>   |
|                                   |          | AM. John & Patricia Callan, Lurgans. AM. Ann Connolly, 79. Cloughvalley.  |
| Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> May.          | 9.30am.  | AM. Patrick, Bridget, Joseph, & Mary Ann Kiernan, & John Clinton, The Lurgans, Bernard & Mary Doherty & Margaret Rouse, Castleblayney. AM. Baby Chloe Gollogly, Greaghdrumitt.  |
|                                   |          | AM. Elizabeth Matthews, Derryolam.  |
| Sunday<br>5 <sup>th</sup> May.    | 12Noon.  | 1st AM. Rosarie Cogan, Patrician Drive & Glasnevin, Remembering her Parents Peter & Rita Cogan.  AM. Peter & Kathleen Jones, Greaghwillan, Pete & Kate McCabe, & Deceased Members of the McCabe Family, Greaghwillan & Deceased Members of the Jones Family, Mullinary.   |
|                                   |          | <ul> <li>AM. Una, Michael, Thomas, Bridgie, &amp; Kathleen Jeffrey, Paddy &amp; Bridgie O'Brien, Emmett Road, Teresa &amp; Padraig O'Brien, Roscommon &amp; Deceased Members of the Leonard Family, Elphin.</li> <li>AM. Donal &amp; Irene McQuillan, Ardee Road, their Daughter Dearbháil Irwin/McQuillan.</li> </ul>  |
|                                   |          | <b>AM.</b> Alan Clarke, Peaste, Remembering Kevin Rice, & Deceased Members of the McGinnity & Clarke Families.  |
| Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May.          | 10.00am. | Remembrance Mass Rudi Housding.   |
| Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> May.         | 10.00am. | Remembrance Mass Margaret Housding.   |
| Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> May.          | 10.00am. | Morning Mass.   |
| Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> May.        | 10.00am. | Morning Mass.   |
| Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May.      | 10.00am. | AM. Peter & Kate Marron, Peaste.  |
| Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May.      | 7.30pm.  | Months Memory Anna McCabe, Ballybay Road.  AM. Kitty McGuigan, Drumcargy.   |
| Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> May.         | 11.00am. | First Holy Communion for the Boys of St Joseph's N.S.   |
| Saturday<br>11 <sup>th</sup> May. | 6.00pm.  | <ul> <li>Months Memory: Jim McConnon, Rossdreenagh.</li> <li>Months Memory: Joan Corr, Dromiskin Co Louth &amp; Bridge Street.</li> <li>AM. Syl Cunningham, Tividinna.</li> <li>AM. Hughie &amp; Mary Matthews, 30. St. Macartan's Villas, their Daughters Nancy Donlon, &amp; Margaret Sheenan, &amp; Grand-daughter Leagh Sheenan.</li> <li>AM. Kevin &amp; Elizabeth Marron, Shercock Road, &amp; Deceased Members of the Marron &amp; McConnon Families.</li> <li>Birthday Remembrance: for the late Jimmy Martin Drumgoan &amp;</li> </ul> |
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| Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> May.         | 9.30am.  | Dernascobe, Magheracloone.  AM. Clare & Kieran Fahey, & Deceased Members of the Fahey Family, Ardee Road.  AM. Rosemary Rafferty, Lurgans.  |

**Recently Deceased:** Michael Downey, Patrician Drive.

Fiona Courtney, Cloughvalley.

John (Sean) Callan, Dublin. Late of O'Neill Street.

Michael Farrell, U.S.A.

Steven Morane, Letterkenny/Scotland.

## **CHANGES TO MASS SCHEDULES / HOLY COMMUNION.**

Following on from a meeting of the Parish Liturgy Committee the following changes have been agreed:

The weekday evening Masses in the parish will be discontinued for the time being, except for the First Friday Mass in St Joseph's Church which will remain at 7.30pm.

When a Funeral Mass occurs on a weekday, then the 10am Mass in St. Joseph's will be put on with the Funeral Mass at the later time, usually 11am.

In the interests of health and hygiene we **strongly discourage** the reception of Holy Communion on the tongue. We would ask that out of **concern for the well-being** of the priests and Eucharistic Ministers, along with concern for other members of the congregation who wish to receive Holy Communion, that all in the congregation should receive the Eucharist on their hands.

### 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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| Sunday<br>5 <sup>th</sup> May.  | Raferagh.<br>11.00am. | <b>AM.</b> Deceased Members of the McEntee Family, Greaghwillan. |
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| Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> May.        | Corduff.              | No Mass.   |
| Sunday<br>12 <sup>th</sup> May. | Corduff.<br>11.00am   | AM. Michael, Rose & Teresa Reilly, Faraghy.                      |

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

Will take place *each <u>Wednesday evening</u>* 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.

<u>Monday</u>: 9am. - 10am. <u>Tuesday</u>: 9am. - 7pm. <u>Wednesday</u>: 9am. - 10am. <u>Thursday</u>: 8am. - 10am. <u>Friday</u>: 8am. - 10am.

Saturday 10am. - 11am. and 5pm. - 6pm. Sunday 1pm. - 6pm.

**Chaplet of the Divine Mercy:** First Sunday of the Month at 3pm, with Confessions from 2:00pm onwards St. Nicholas' Church, Dundalk. Featuring Holy Hour, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Confessions and Anointing of the Sick. This will next take place on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024. Come and receive God's blessing. All are welcome.

<u>A Meeting of South Monaghan Pioneers</u>: will be held in Teach Ui Bhrian in Carrickmacross (inside Church grounds) on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 8 pm. It is requested that each parish send at least one person to this important meeting.

<u>Carrickmacross Lions Club</u>: are running A Teddy Bear's Picnic at Callan's of the Bridge grounds <u>Today May 5<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm</u>. Bring your Teddy, a picnic, and your family for a fun day for all. Admission €20 per family.

<u>Darkness into Light Walk</u>: Please join us on Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 4-15 am. at Emmet Park, Ballybay Rd, for our Darkness into Light Walk and afterwards at EUROSPAR for Hot food and Refreshments.

**Faith and Light Fiesta:** on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May in Steadfast House 3-5pm. All are welcome." **St Louis School Musical:** It's school musical time of year again and the Transition Year students and musical production team of teachers in St. Louis, Carrickmacross, are putting the final touches to weeks of rehearsals for this year's production, "Sister Act." Ticket numbers are limited due to capacity of the hall so will sell out fast. The show starts at 7.30pm each evening and runs from **15th – 17th May.** Tickets are on sale now at www.Eventbrite.ie or can be purchased directly from school reception.

The Friends of Carrick Cancer Society 2024 Campaign: The 'Charity 5 Km walk / run' around Carrickmacross is on Bank Holiday, Monday 6th May at 11am. It will start and finish at Eurospar, with stewards along the way. This event has been a great success over the years, with families and individuals doing their bit for this great cause. The Flora Mini Marathon: will take part on Sunday, June 2nd, the bank holiday weekend. This annual lady's day in Dublin always has a great turnout! So, keep Sunday 2nd June free this year!!! Anyone who has signed up and would like to do the mini marathon for Carrick Cancer, or if you would like to register to take part, please contact a committee member. Committee Members Pat McNally 0874130727 - Majella Hoey 0872975326 - James Lambe 087 6329620 -Patrick McNally 0876500721and Grainne McNally 0872506045

**Lough Derg One Day Retreats in May:** These guided days of prayer and reflection will take place on Sun 5th, Mon 6th, Sun 12th, Tue 14th, Sat 18th, Sat 25th and Mon 27th. More details can be found at <a href="www.loughderg.ie">www.loughderg.ie</a>. €45 per person, booking essential. The Lough Derg traditional **Three-Day Pilgrimage** begins on Friday May 31st and continues until August 15th.

<u>Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes</u>: **5-10 July 2024** Led by Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher. For booking, please contact Mr. John Heuston, Gave, Macknagh, Crom Road, Lisnaskea, Co Fermanagh. **Tel:** South **048 67724329**/North **028 67724329**. **Email:** john.cdp@btconnect.com . If you wish to travel in the Assisted Pilgrim section of the Diocesan Pilgrimage, special application forms are available from the Pilgrimage Secretary. Visit <a href="www.lourdes2clogher.com">www.lourdes2clogher.com</a>

Diocesan Music Day & Weekend: — Saturday/Sunday 25/26 May 2024 — St Joseph's Pastoral Centre and Church, Park Street, Monaghan. Led by Ronan MacDonagh, the renowned composer of liturgical music in the traditional Irish style. The Diocesan Music Day will take place on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 4pm in St Joseph's Pastoral Centre. On Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> at 5pm there will be a Concert with *Fuamlaoi* and String Quartet in St Joseph's Church - an enchanting evening of Liturgical Music in true Irish Traditional style. Organised by the Clogher Diocesan Liturgy Commission. Tickets for each day can be purchased for €10 / £10; for those who wish to attend both days a special combi ticket will cost €15 / £15. For booking and further information visit clogherdiocese.ie/churchmusic/

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock:** will take place on Wednesday 7 August 2024 and will be led by Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher. Families and parish or prayer / community groups are welcome to make the journey and to gather in Knock. Times to be confirmed. Parishes or groups of parishes are encouraged to arrange transport, should the demand exist.

<u>May Novena to our Lady of Fatima</u>: from 1st May to 9th May 2024 at 7.30pm (except Sunday) in St. Joseph's Church, Park Street Monaghan. On Sunday, 5th May, a special Mass will be celebrated at 2.30pm by Fr Peter Okepu for all families, especially those who have or are making their First Communion and Confirmation, also for the sick of our diocese. Fr Peter will give a special Blessing of Healing after Mass.

<u>The RSA's free 'Check it Fits</u>:' child car seats testing service will be visiting Fleming's SuperValu, Monaghan on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May and <u>O'Gorman's Supervalu, Carrickmacross</u> on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May from 10am to 5.30pm each day.

Minor Injury Unit: at Monaghan Hospital (047 38835) hours have been extended – we are now open 08.00 – 20.00 (Mon – Sun) Closed 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> December. We aim to see you as quickly as possible. Patients 5 years & over - We treat & X Ray as needed: Broken bones, Dislocations, Foreign bodies, Sprains & Strains, Wounds, Minor chest injuries, Minor scalds & burns, Facial & eye injuries. Be Alert: There continues to be fraudulent scams and alerts via telephone calls, emails etc. Please continue to be aware and cautious of any unexpected activity or communication to you and to your vulnerable family members.