

The Parish Of Machaire Rois



Sunday 5th November 2023. 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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Weekly Reflection.

Happiness or Joy?

I was reading an article recently which set out to explain how an industry has developed in our society which attempts to convince us that we can be happy all the time. In fact, they tell us that if we are not happy all the time then there is something wrong with us, because everyone else is almost deliriously happy with possessions and money and crack and having a good time. Most of us know that we are expected to say we are enjoying ourselves regardless of what ever is going on in our lives at functions or parties or whatever because to say otherwise is to be seen as odd or a failure or left out.

Such "happiness" is a lie. It is false and unreal.

Rudyard Kipling famously described success and failure as both imposters. Real life is a balance between sadness, disappointment, frustration and failures on the one hand, and joy, excitement, contentment and success on the other. We need to be able to cope with both sets of emotions and feelings if we are to be content in life.

Pope Francis speaks often of the Joy of the Gospel and the Joy of Life. These can be interpreted as being faithful, hopeful, just, loving and good.

Pretending that happiness is the most important thing in life leads young people to despair for they find their lives are just ordinary. Telling it like it is gives our young people a better chance of coping with the realities of life, of being resilient in the face of adversity.

Let us pray today for the gift of true joy in our lives.

Fr Shane.

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Saturday 4th November.	11.00am.	AM. Fintan & Máiread McCourt, Dundalk Road & Deceased Family Members.
Saturday 4th November.	6.00pm. Vigil.	AM. Joe Lappin, 101. Cloughvalley, Peter (Petie Joe) Martin Manchester. AM. Gerry Gartlan, 77. Cloughvalley & Deceased Members of the McGuirk & Gartlan Families. AM. Patsy Duffy & Deceased Members of the Duffy Family Derryolam.
Sunday 5th November.	9.30am.	AM. Maureen McDermott, 33. Drummond Etra. AM. Peter, Bridget & P.J. McDonald, St Macartan's Villas & Veronica Kelly, Magheraclone.
Sunday 5th November.	12Noon. 1.15pm. Approx	AM. Sharon Blair, 21 Convent View. AM. Pat & Teresa Callan, Cuchullain Terrace. AM. The Fealy Family, Coolfore & Meegan Family, Inniskeen. AM. Thomas & Rose Ellen Murray, their Son Anthony & Granddaughter Sarah, & Deceased Members of the Murray & Carroll Families, Derrylavin. <i>Consecration of the Angel Plot in St Joseph's Cemetery.</i>
Mon 6th Nov.	10.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish
Tues 7th Nov.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Wed 8th Nov.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thurs 9th Nov.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Fri 10th Nov.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 10thNovember	7.30pm.	Months Memory: Jacqueline Yorke, Cluain Alainn, Carrickmacross. AM. Patrick Duffy, St Macartan's Villas. AM. Byrne Family Mullinary, Duffy Family, Aghavilla, Higgins Family Roscommon. Ann & Tom Kelly, Dublin. Tom & Ann Murray, England. Peter & Bridget Martin, Mullinary, & Jeffrey Family Mullinary.
Saturday 11thNovember	11.00am.	Months Memory: Helen Agnew, Ardross Avenue. 1st AM. Ellie Capaldi, St Macartan's Villas, Remembering her Husband Andy, her Son Michael, her Daughter Linda & Granddaughter Maria.
Saturday 11thNovember	6.00pm. Vigil.	Months Memory: Stephen Kirke-Woods, 5 Cúirt Droim Ard. 1st AM. Bridget McNally, Derryolam. AM. Anne Neary (Nee Boylan) & Valentine Neary, 3 Parnell Street. AM. John, Francis, Brigid & Pat Conlon, Oriel, Mullinary, Peter & Eileen Goodman, Dundalk, & Mick & Mary Fitzsimons & Deceased Members of the Fitzsimons Family, Kingscourt Road. AM. Rafael Nielacny, Cloughvalley/Poland, & Donal O'Keeffe, Cork. Birthday Rem: Evelyn Shannon late of Cloughvalley.
Sunday 12thNovember	9.30am.	Sunday Mass.
Sunday 12th November	12Noon.	AM. Jim Dowdall, & Deceased Members of the Dowdall, Goodman & Martin Families. AM. Kathleen, Tommy & Gerry Carolan, Castleblayney Road, & Deceased Members of the McMahon & Carolan Families. AM. Benny Woods, 9 Highfield. AM. Tara Browne, Latinalbany.

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Recently Deceased: Luke (Louis) Cunningham, Killanny. Donna McGuchan, England. Patsy Keenan, Faraghy, Shantonagh. Thomas Fox, Cormoy, (formerly Cuchullain Terrace).

Corduff / Raferagh Mass Intentions.

Sunday 5th November.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	AM. Kevin & Anne Rice, Corvalley.
Wednesday 9th November.	Corduff.	No Mass.
Sunday 12th November.	Corduff 11.00am	AM. Tommy & May Marron, Umerafree, & their Granddaughter Maria Capaldi. AM. Noel & Eugene Finnegan, Lisacullion. AM. Tommy, Bridget & Mick Carragher & Deceased Members of the Carragher & Farrelly Families.

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 for the month of October and November

Angel Plot: Over the past two years wonderful work has been ongoing in St Joseph's Cemetery to prepare an Angel Plot. This plot will remember those still-born babies and infants who died before baptism, who in the past were not buried in consecrated grounds in the graveyards. This was during a time when the Church was cold and insensitive to the plight of such babies and their parents and families. While we cannot undo the hurts of the past, we can make good our respect and reverence for all who were so buried. The Angel Plot will be consecrated in a special ceremony, **Today Sunday 5th November after the 12 noon Mass**, (approx 1.15pm). This liturgy will represent all those infants who were still-born and babies who died without baptism, for whatever reason, and who are buried anywhere in our cemetery. **Everyone is invited** to attend and give thanks to God for the gifts of our angels.

Novena Masses for the month of November.

Beginning on All Souls Day Thursday 2nd November a Novena of Masses will be offered for your deceased relatives and friends. Please include the names of those who you wish to be remembered on the "List of Dead" copies of which are available in the Church (from this weekend) and place your **envelope in the Intention Box in the Church**. All envelopes are opened, and the "lists" are placed on the Altar during Mass in the month of November.

Youth2000 Prayer Meeting Friday 10th November: - Holy Hour led by youth in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 6:15pm. Mass at 7:30pm in St. Joseph's. For young people aged 16-35 to join for Reconciliation, Eucharist, prayer, reflection, music & fellowship.

CORDUFF / RAFERAGH - PARISH BAZAAR: will take place on Friday 1st December. Those collecting donations will be calling to houses in Corduff and Raferagh over the coming weeks. Please support this event. All monies raised will be going towards the upkeep of the churches.

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The Annual Service of Remembrance Ceremony.

We would like to invite you and family members to join in the annual Service of Remembrance Ceremony, when we as a Faith Community can come together to remember your loved one, who died during the year.

This Service will take place on Sunday 26th November 2023 in St. Joseph's Church, Carrickmacross at 5.00pm.

A candle will be lit in memory of your deceased family member, and this will be available for collection following the Service. You may wish to light this candle in your home on special family occasions, remembering your deceased.

As last year, we will not have the bringing forward of individual flowers, rather a bouquet of flowers will be brought forward representing all our deceased.

"To those who believe in thee, O Lord, Life is changed, not taken away."

Altar Servers Recruitment: One year on from the re-introduction of Altar Servers we wish to say, 'Thank you' and 'Well done' to our teams of Servers and their parents, for enabling our liturgies to be enhanced with young people serving at the Altar over the past twelve months. We are now seeking new recruits from 5th and 6th class to come forward to join the teams we have in place. Fr Kevin and I have already spoken to the pupils in the schools and some children and parents have already signed up for this. If you wish to become an Altar Server, or if parents would like to find out more about this wonderful ministry, please speak to one of the priests or the office staff.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service: - Riverbank Hotel, Carrickmacross Tuesday 7th November, and Wednesday 8th November 2023. 3.45pm -8.00pm. Blood Donation clinics are still by appointment, so we are asking Donors to ring 1800 222 111 to make an appointment.

Want to Declutter Your Wardrobe: As part of Social Inclusion Week and with the assistance of Monaghan Co. Council Magheraclone ICA have organised a night to remember on Tuesday 14th November at 7.30pm in Carrickasedge Social Centre. Everyone is welcome, why not come along and learn how to declutter your life in a relaxed social setting.

Link Credit Union Ltd: have launched their Scholarship Grant Scheme (worth €1,000) which is open to all student members who are currently in 3rd level education. Application forms are available in Kingscourt, Bailieborough and Cootehill offices or can be downloaded through the website www.linkcu.ie. For further information please contact 042-9675000. 028 9080 8030.

Minor Injury Unit at Monaghan Hospital: (047 38835) hours have been extended – we are now open 08.00 – 20.00 (Mon – Sun) Closed 25th & 26th 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.

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

Safeguarding Review: If you wish to report a child safeguarding concern, please contact Martha Smyth 0044 777 5507445, or Anne Molloy 0044 787941 3855 or An Garda Síochána 00353 1 663430, · PSNI 028 90650222, · TUSLA 00353 47 30475· Western Health and Social Care Trust 028 7131 4090.

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 member.