

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

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Weekly Reflection.

Caught up in forgiveness.

The story is told of a young French soldier who deserted Napoleon's army but who, within a matter of hours, was caught by his own troops. To discourage soldiers from abandoning their posts the penalty for desertion was death. The young soldier's mother heard what had happened and went to plead with Napoleon to spare the life of her son. Napoleon heard her plea but pointed out that because of the serious nature of the crime her son had committed he clearly did not deserve mercy.

"I know he doesn't deserve mercy", the mother answered. "It wouldn't be mercy if he deserved it".

That is the point about mercy: nobody deserves it. Everyone deserves true justice; mercy, on the other hand, is sheer gift.

In today's Gospel we have the magnificent story of the mercy of Jesus as he forgives the woman taken in adultery. The challenge of the Gospel is whether we can see ourselves not as the woman who is caught in adultery, but as the man who is **caught up in forgiveness**. Can we forgive as readily as Jesus forgives?

Fr. Owen Joe.

Sat 5 th April.	11.00am.	AM. Bernard Morgan.		
Saturday 5 th April.	6.00pm.	 Month's Memory: John Bosco Boylan, Derryolam Court. 1st AM. David Daly Castello, Lough Egish & Angola, & AM. for his grandparents, Brian & Bride Daly. AM. Sheila Ward, 33 Cloughvalley, remembering her husband John & the deceased members of the Ward & Kerley families. AM. Maura Flaherty, 5 Hill Crest, Mullinary. AM. Eddie & Roisin Sherry, their son Eddie Jnr, their daughter Fionnuala Sherry & deceased members of the Sherry & Martin Families. 		
Sunday 6 th April.	9.30am.	AM. Joe & Julia Patton, their daughter Frances & their great grandson Óisin Boyle. AM. Rosemary Lee, Inver Park.		
Sunday 6 th April.	12Noon.	 Month's Memory: Johnny Kellett, Cloughvalley. AM. Bernard, Margaret & Patsy Jackson, Magheraboy & Anna Jackson, Rockdaniel Road. AM. Oliver & Mary Lonergan, Main Street. AM. Eileen McGuchen, Middlesbrough, England, late of Lisacullion, Shantonagh. AM. Elizabeth Hand, Ardee Road. 		
Monday	7.15am.	Mass For Lent.		
7 th April.	10.00am.	Mass for Lent.		
Tuesday 8 th April.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Mass for Lent. Mass for Lent.		
Wednesday 9 th April.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Mass for Lent. Mass for Lent.		
Thursday 10 th April.	7.15am. 10.00am.	Mass for Lent. Mass for Lent.		
Friday 11 th April.	7.15am. 10.00am.	AM. Jim, Alice & Tom Nolan & Family, O'Neill Street. Mass for Lent.		
Sat 12 th April.	11.00am.	1 st AM. Michael Marron, Trostan, Dundalk Road.		
Saturday 12 th April.	6.00pm.	Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday. 1st AM. Jim McConnon, Rossdreenagh. 1st AM. Joan Corr, Dromiskin, Co Louth & Bridge Street AM. Margaret & Joe Gillen, Ardee Road. AM. Paddy & Verney McCabe, late of Nafferty & Parnell Street. AM. John, Bridget & Rose Carragher, & Deceased Members of the Carragher Family, Carragartha, Corduff. AM. Ryan Joseph Gartlan, 19, St Macartan's Villas. AM. Mary & Willie Lynch, Lisanisk, & Deceased Members of the Kelly Family, Lisanisk.		
Sunday 13 th April.	9.30am.	Mass of Palm Sunday. AM. Mae & Paddy Flanagan, Ardross Avenue & deceased members		
Sunday 13 th April.	12Noon.	of the Brennan & Flanagan families. Mass of Palm Sunday. 1st AM. Teresa Murnaghan, "Hill Crest", Mullinary. AM. Irene & Oliver O'Rourke & deceased members of the O'Rourke & Heeran families.		

Recently Deceased.

Pat MacNally, Dundalk & formerly Lisnagunnion.

Parmy Kindler Magheracleone

Barry Kindlon, Magheracloone.

Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh. Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday	Raferagh.	AM. Madge & Jamesy Lennon, Cornalaragh.		
6 th April.	11.00am.	AM. Jim Murphy, Raferagh.		
		AM. John Sharkey, Dungloe, Co Donegal, & deceased members of the Sharkey Family.		
Wednesday	Raferagh.	AM. Teasie McConnon, Farney Street, her Parents Pete & Alice,		
9 th April.	7.30pm.	her sisters Ali, Brigid & Molly, her brothers Peter James &		
		Patrick, & Deceased Members of the McConnon &		
		McEneaney, Families.		
Sunday	Corduff.	Mass of Palm Sunday.		
13 th April	11.00am.	AM. Lorraine Mullan, Mullaghcroghrey.		
		AM. Peter (Pete) Burns & deceased members of the Burns family,		
		Coraghy.		
		AM. Tom McNally, Greagh, his parents Annie & Patrick, his		
		brothers Peter, Brian & Pat, baby Charlie & deceased		
		members of the McNally Family.		

Confessions in St Joseph's Church.

Easter Penance Service (Confessions) in St Joseph's on Palm Sunday Evening, April 13th at 5pm.

Confessions in St Joseph's on Saturdays after the 11am Mass – and the Eve of the First Friday (Thursday) after the 10am Mass.

<u>Bishop Hayes & Bishop Duffy: Support those who care for life in our hospitals</u>: Copies of a Joint Statement issued by Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher and Bishop Martin Hayes, Bishop of Kilmore, regarding the importance of support for those who care for life in our hospitals, are available in each of the three churches. (Beside Newsletter).

Triduum 2025.

The St. Joseph's Triduum will take place on Tuesday 29th April, Wednesday 30th April and Thursday 1st May. Masses each morning at 10am. Evening Mass on Tuesday and Thursday at 7.30pm and a healing service on Wednesday at 7.30pm.

St Joseph candles will be on sale at weekend Masses, €2.50 each, and may be left in the church to burn for your intentions during the three-day Triduum.

Fr Robert Mc Cabe will lead the 2025 Triduum. He is a member of the parish team in Navan. He worked at Lough Derg for the summers and served as Chaplain in the defence forces.

Lost a Sum of Money on Main Street Carrickmacross, if found please contact 042 9668170.

Faith and Light fiesta on the 13th April in Steadfast Day Service 3pm. All are welcome

<u>Scoil Phádraig Corduff</u>: is accepting enrolments for Junior Infants for the 2025/2026 school year. Please email the school at info@scoilphadraigcorduff.ie, call 0429669437, or come to the school for enrolment forms.

Easter Monday Pilgrim Path Walk at Lough Derg: Join Fr. La Flynn and the Team at Lough Derg for a guided walk along the ancient Pilgrim Path around Lough Derg on Monday 21st April at 10.30am. 8km & 12km option available. Free event. Booking essential. More information www.loughderg.org

Family Carers Ireland: is the National Charity Supporting 500,000+ Family Carers Nationwide.We are currently recruiting for Community Homecare Workers to provide support to clients. Work hours are flexible based on your availability. Own car and Full Driving Licence essential. Please send your CV to jobs@familycarers.ie or contact Carol on 049 8511031 or 086 4183949 for more information.

Holy Week 2025 – Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. Palm Sunday April 13th 2025.

St Joseph's.	Sat. 6.00pm.	Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday.
St Joseph's.	9.30am.	Mass of Palm Sunday.
St Michael's, Corduff.	11.00am.	Mass of Palm Sunday.
St Joseph's.	12Noon.	Mass of Palm Sunday.

St Joseph's Church.	5.00pm.	Penitential Service	/ Confessions.
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Palm will be blessed at each of the Masses, with parishioners bringing their own Palm.

Monday to Wednesday of Holy Week – Mass in St. Joseph's at 7.15am & 10am & Corduff on Wednesday at 7.30pm.

Holy Thursday April 17th 2025.

St. Macartan's Cathedral.		11.00am.	The Chrism Mass.
St Joseph's.		Mass of The Lord's Supper, ending with the transfer of the	
		Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose, concluding with	
		Night Prayer at	10pm.

Trócaire Boxes / Envelopes will be part of the Offertory at the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday.

Good Friday April 18th 2025.

St Joseph's.	3.00pm.	Celebration of The Lord's Passion.
St Joseph's.	6.00pm.	Celebration of The Lord's Passion.
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St Michael's Corduff.	7.30pm.	Celebration of The Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday April 19th 2025.

St Joseph's.	9.00pm.	The Easter Vigil.
		(Please note – No 6pm evening Mass).

Easter Sunday April 20th 2025.

St Joseph's.	9.30am.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.
St John's, Raferagh.	11.00am.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.
St Joseph's.	12.Noon.	Easter Mass of The Lord's Resurrection.

<u>Trócaire Lenten Campaign</u>: Deadly storms and droughts. Entire harvests lost. Livelihoods and education opportunities, gone. One in every two children under the age of five, malnourished. Right now, in Guatemala, hardworking families like Ilma and Julio's (photographed on the Trócaire Boxes) are being pushed further into poverty by the relentless effects of climate change. Ilma and Julio must choose between school fees that offer hope for tomorrow, and food for their little ones. There is not enough for both anymore. But with your gift now to help Ilma and Julio's family this Lent, you can stand beside their family. To help tackle climate injustice. To rush relief after climate crises and get families back on their feet. To help them train in new, climate-resilient farming techniques, with seeds and tools that restore soils and protect harvests. To help them send their children to school, bring weather-mapping techniques to their community, and build the kind of just, sustainable future that should belong to us all.

Please give generously for Ilma and Julio's family, and future, this Lent: