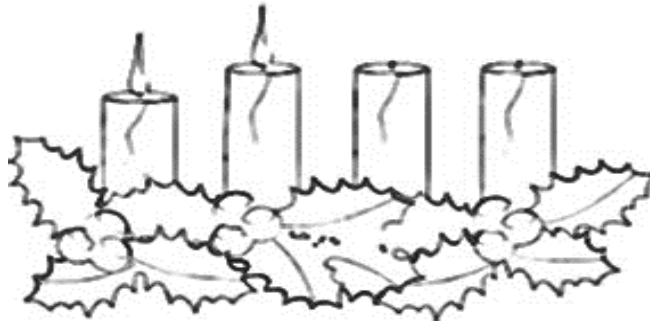


# The Parish Of Malchaire Rois



## Second Sunday of Advent

*Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024.*

A copy of this weekend's readings are available in the church. (Beside Newsletter)

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### *Weekly Reflection*

#### **Prepare a way for the Lord!**

Today's gospel (Sunday) introduces the prophetic figure of John the Baptist. In him the prophetic voice that had been silent for centuries comes alive again.

John concentrates on how the human heart can best prepare for the coming of the Messiah. He takes the imagery of Isaiah, of mountains being levelled, valleys filled in, crooked ways being straightened. The landscape of the heart requires re-ordering. The heart has its own no-go areas, its roundabouts, its mountainous places, its deep valleys, its cul-de-sacs, its potholes, etc. These need to be smoothed with care if the coming Christ is to find a warm Christmas welcome. Advent offers us a space to attend to some of the "road works" that ought to be done in preparation for his arrival.

Therefore, let us make of this our prayer for the remaining weeks of Advent:

God of our salvation, you straighten the winding ways of our hearts and smooth the paths made rough by sin. Make our conduct blameless, keep our hearts watchful in holiness, and bring to perfection the good you have begun in us. We ask this through Him whose coming is certain, whose day draws near: your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Fr Owen Joe.

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Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	11.00am.	AM. Kathleen Gilsenan, Drumbroagh.
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	6.00pm	<p><b>Months Memory:</b> Catherine Kennedy, "Craighlea," Carrickmacross, formerly of Main Street, Clogherhead.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> John &amp; Margaret Kennedy, "Craighlea," Carrickmacross, their son Martin &amp; daughter Patricia. &amp; James &amp; Margaret McDonald, Main Street, Clogherhead.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Alan Woods, Kilkerry, Dundalk &amp; Angela Woods, Drummond Etra.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Bosco Malone, Drumgowna, his brother Barney, Bridge Street. Patrick &amp; Cissy Hogan, Michelle Moore, Gerald &amp; John Martyn. Cecil McCullough and Tony Gill, Mullingar.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Peter Shields, Nafferty.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Annie &amp; Pat Reynolds, Derryolam Park &amp; Deceased Members of the Reynolds, Ryan, Cavanagh &amp; Keenan Families.</p>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	9.30am.	<p><b>AM.</b> Concepta &amp; Michael Deery, Main Street.</p> <p><b>Mass</b> for the Benefactors &amp; Deceased Members of Carrickmacross St Vincent De Paul.</p>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	12Noon.	<p><b>AM.</b> Marron Family, Lisnaguivera.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> John &amp; Josie Meegan, Cloughvalley.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Patsy Martin &amp; Deceased Members of the Martin Family, Rockdaniel Road.</p>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December.	10.00am. 7.30pm.	<b>Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin.</b>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December.	10.00am.	<b>AM.</b> Jim & Kitty McMahan, Ciss & Noreen Carron & Deceased Members of the Carron Family, O'Neill Street.
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December.	10.00am.	<b>Mass for the People of the Parish.</b>
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December.	10.00am.	<b>Birthday Remembrance:</b> Noel Martin, Ardee Road.
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December.	10.00am.	<b>AM.</b> Peter & Ava Carolan, their son Peter & grandson Noel & Patsy Carolan.
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> December.	11.00am.	<b>Morning Mass.</b>
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> December.	6.00pm.	<b>AM.</b> John, Francis, Bridget & Pat Conlon "Oriel" Mullinary. Peter & Eileen Goodman & Family, Dundalk, Mick & Mary Fitzsimons & Deceased Members of the Fitzsimons Family, Kingscourt Road.
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> December.	9.30am.	<b>Mass for the People of the Parish.</b>
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> December.	12Noon.	<p><b>AM.</b> Sheila Callaghan, Ardee Road.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> John &amp; Nancy McHugh, Magheross.</p>

**Recently Deceased:** Patrick McKenna, Crann Nua Carrickmacross & Carrickroe, Monaghan.  
Tommy McDaniel, Leonsbeg, Carrickmacross.



Today, the Second Sunday of Advent we light the second candle, which is the symbol of FAITH. The candle's name has its origins in the prophet Micah who prophesied Jesus would be born in Bethlehem. It is referred to as the Bethlehem Candle.

**Advent Wreath Prayer:** "Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord." Amen.

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## Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

**Sunday at 11am (alternating)**

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<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December.</b>	<b>Corduff. 11.00am.</b>	<p><b>AM.</b> Patsy &amp; Maura McEnaney, Corduff, Kathleen, Alice, Tommy, Michael and Phil McEnaney, Greagh, &amp; Deceased Members of the McEnaney Family.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Patrick &amp; Ellen Keenan, Greaghlane.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Barney, Peter &amp; Bridget Keelan, Greaghlatecapple.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Patrick &amp; Alice Conlon, Shanco, Corduff &amp; their Daughter Alice Hughes, Glasleck, Shercock.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> P.J. Martin &amp; Deceased Members of the Martin Family, Umerafree.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Michael Heirty, Ardagh.</p>
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December.</b>	<b>Raferagh. 11.00am.</b>	<p><b>AM.</b> Gerry Crossan, Carrickahogue.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Peter McCaul, Shercock/ Corduff.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Patrick McCloskey, Carrickahogue.</p> <p><b>AM.</b> Mary Smith, Crowley &amp; Deceased Members of the Clerkin &amp; Smith Families.</p>

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Corduff/ Raferagh.

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

## Rosary In St Joseph's Church: Monday – Friday at 6.30pm.



### 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.**

**Extended Adoration:** In honour of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception there will be additional hours of Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Monday Dec 9th 9am to 7pm - Feast of Immaculate Conception. Please call Teresa on 087-3117929 if you can commit 1 hour.

**The Feast of the Immaculate Conception:** occurs on the 8<sup>th</sup> December each year and is a special occasion, marking the beginning of the season of Christmas which concludes on the 6<sup>th</sup> January with the Feast of the Epiphany. This year 8<sup>th</sup> December is the Second Sunday of Advent so the Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December with Mass at 10.00am and 7.30pm in St Joseph's Church.

## Visitation of the House Bound will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

**Advent Penitential Service in St Joseph's Church with Individual Confessions Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 5pm:** You are encouraged to come and meet the Lord in the great healing Sacrament he gives us. We will have a number of neighbouring priests. Please come along.

**St Vincent De Paul:** Church Gate Collection Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December at St Joseph's and on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December at St Michael's, Corduff.

**Carrickmacross Emmets 43<sup>rd</sup> Christmas Day Swim:** Christmas Morning at 12.30pm. Sharp, at Creevy Lake.

**Arts & Crafts for Gaza:** A huge thank you to everyone who attended, purchased some art or made a donation at last weekend's sale. Through your kindness and generosity, a donation of €420.60 has been made to UNICEF to render aid in Gaza. Go raibh maith agaibh. Trish Harkin.

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## **Clogher don Óige Young Adult Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome 26<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2025:**

A limited number of places available for a 10-day pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee Year, open to young adults (18-30) a full pilgrimage programme including events with Pope Francis. Join over 1.5 million young people from across the world who are expected during these days to come together to celebrate their faith. More details at [www.clogherdonoige.org/rome2025](http://www.clogherdonoige.org/rome2025) or email [james@cdo.email](mailto:james@cdo.email)

**St Enda's Prayer Group Killanny:** – (A81 Y096). Confession, Holy Mass and Anointing in Old Parish Hall. Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 7.30pm.

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm we hope to erect Christmas Decorations in St. Joseph's Church, and all helpers are welcome to join us.

**Christmas Cards** of St Joseph's Church Crib for sale in the Parish Office €5 for 6 Cards.

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### Christmas Schedule 2024.

#### *Ecumenical Carol Service St Finbarr's.*

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm.

#### *Penitential Service.*

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 5.00pm. in (St Joseph's).  
Confessions Monday: 23<sup>rd</sup> December in St Joseph's.  
after 10.00am Morning Mass.

#### *Christmas Eve Masses.*

6.00pm. & 9.00pm. – St Joseph's Carrickmacross.  
8.00pm. – St John The Evangelist Raferagh.

#### *Christmas Day Masses.*

9.30am. & 12 Noon - St Joseph's Carrickmacross  
11.00am – St Michael's Corduff.

#### *Weekday Mass St Joseph's.*

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec & Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Dec at 10.00am.  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Dec at 11.00am.

#### *New Years Day Masses.*

Wednesday January 1<sup>st</sup> 10.00am. & 7.30pm. St Joseph's, Carrickmacross.

#### *The Feast of the Epiphany Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025.*

Feast of the Epiphany on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 10.00am. & 7.30pm.  
in St Joseph's.

***Please Note: The Gates to the Church Car Park & gates to the Holy Family Hall, will be closed on St Stephen's Day 26th December from 1pm-5pm.***