

Sunday 22nd June 2025.

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

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St Vincent De Paul: Contact- Free Phone 1800677777.

Weekly Reflection.

Consecration of Ireland to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

'All of us need to rediscover the importance of the heart.' (Pope Francis).

In what turned out to be his final papal encyclical *Dilexit Nos* (He loved us First) Pope Francis called for the renewal of the much loved but neglected devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus which has lost its meaning for many. For Pope Francis, devotion to the Sacred Heart is never a passive or purely individual or personal experience but a devotion which leads us to encounter each other and the world in which we live and the people we share our lives with in the deepest and most profound way.

Many people believe that the world has lost its heart today. The daily cruelty of deliberately starved and bombed children, the disregard for truth and disrespect for human life and simple decencies are symptoms of hearts grown cold. Hearts of flesh have been replaced by hearts of stone. A change of heart, a new heart is needed.

When Archbishop Eamon Martin **re-consecrates Ireland to the Sacred Heart at Knock** (today Sunday June 22nd) he will be issuing a call to action; to a recovery of heart not only for Ireland but for the world.

Archbishop Eamon is also inviting all of us to unite with him and the thousands in Knock as we pray from our own homes and parishes today.

O Jesus, through the most pure heart of Mary we offer you all our prayers, works and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart. O Jesus, meek and humble of heart, transform our hearts to be like yours. Amen.

Fr. Owen Joe.

Saturday	11.00am.	Morning Mass.
21 st June.		
Saturday 21 st June.	6.00pm.	AM. John Joe & Breege Cumiskey, their son John & daughter Margaret & deceased members of the Cumiskey family, Farney Street.
Sunday 22 nd June.	9.30am.	AM. Joey Gartlan & deceased members of the Gartlan, McMahon, McEneaney & O'Connor families.
		AM. May Callan & deceased members of the Callan family, Lurgans & Barney & Bridget McCabe, Lossetts.
Sunday 22 nd June.	12Noon.	AM. Deceased members of the Allen family, O'Neill Street.
Monday 23 rd June.	10.00am.	AM. James, Mary, Paddy and Annie Rafferty, Granarogue & Bridgie McMahon & May Clarke.
Tuesday 24 th June.	10.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
Wednesday 25 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Thursday 26 th June.	10.00am.	Morning Mass.
Friday 27 th June.	10.00am.	Mass for the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.
Saturday 28 th June.	11.00am.	AM. Molly Farrelly, Pearse Avenue, her Husband James, her parents Pete & Olive, her sisters Ali, Brigid & Teasie, her brothers Peter James, Patrick & deceased members of the McConnon, Farrelly, & McEneaney families.
		AM. Peter Coyle & deceased members of the Coyle & Dowd families.
Saturday	6.00pm.	Month's Memory, Packie Dunne, 25 Cloughvalley.
28 th June.		Month's Memory, P.J. Lambe, Dunogue, Carrickmacross.
		AM. Barney Malone, Bridge Street.
		AM. Michael & Peggy Conlon, their son Shane, 1 Emmett Villas.
		AM. Mary & Dominic McCartney, their daughter Eileen Keenan & deceased members of the McCartney family, Derrylavin.
Sunday 29 th June.	9.30am.	AM. Tom & Madge Cassidy, Carrickmaclim & deceased members of the Cassidy & Connolly families.
_	12Noon.	AM. Eugene, Kathleen, Pat, & Philip Traynor, St Macartan's Villas.
29 th June.		AM. Jim & Elizabeth Doherty, Nafferty, their son Peter & their grand-daughter Eibhlin.
		AM. Frank Hughes, St Macartan's Villas & deceased members of the Hughes Family, Ballybay.

Recently Deceased.

Planned Giving Envelopes for 2025/2026.

The new year (2025/2026) planned giving Envelopes are now ready and can be collected from the Sacristy. We would appreciate as much help with the distribution of Envelopes in the Community as possible. If you feel you could help with distribution, please call to the Sacristy, and speak with Martin and Breda, after the daily or weekend Masses. The new envelopes will commence the First Sunday of July. We thank you for your continued support to our Parish.

Mass Time Corduff / Raferagh.

Sunday at 11am (alternating)

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Sunday 29 th June.	Raferagh. 11.00am.	Mass for the People of the Parish.
		AM. Phelim & Annie Brennan & deceased members of the Brennan family, Mullaghcroghery.
Sunday 22 nd June.	Corduff. 11.00am.	AM. Pete & Mary Ward, Lisnafeddly & deceased members of the Ward family.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Michael's, Corduff every Wednesday evening from 5-7pm, finishing with Rosary at 6:30. Please drop in at any time to spend some time in quiet reflection.

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. <u>Tuesday</u>: 9am. - 7pm. <u>Wednesday</u>: 9am.10am. <u>Thursday</u>: 8am. - 10am. <u>Friday</u>: 8am. - 10am. <u>Saturday</u> 10am. - 11am. and 5pm. - 6pm. <u>Sunday</u> 1pm. - 6pm.

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

Cemetery Sunday – The Blessing of the Graves.

St Joseph's Carrickmacross: Sunday 6th July. (directly after 12Noon. Mass.)
St John's Raferagh: Sunday 13th July. (directly after 11am. Mass.)
St Michael's Corduff: Sunday 20th July. (directly after 11am. Mass.)

(Please bring Holy Water)

Lough Derg: The theme for this Jubilee year is "Pilgrims of Hope". People are encouraged to visit Ireland's pilgrimage sites in 2025: Lough Derg, Croagh Patrick & Knock Shrine. Bus travelling from Monaghan town to **Lough Derg** Sat. 28th June, returning on Mon. 30th June. For information/to book, contact Mary: 086-4032364.

<u>Procession in honour of Our Lady of Fatima</u> will take place Sunday 13th July at 3.30pm starting at St Oliver's Cemetery, Donaghmoyne Road. Steadfast Band will provide Hymns enroute and the Rosary will be recited. Refreshments served in Markey's Lounge afterwards.

<u>Light a Candle Day</u> to celebrate the Year of Hope in St. Patrick's Church, BAWN, A75 FY98 on Sunday, July 6th starting with Mass at 11.30am. Homily: Fr. Michael Ruddy. Individual blessings after Mass with relics of St. Damien. Adoration all day. Closing prayers at 7pm. All welcome.

<u>Samaritans Drogheda & North East</u>: A word of thanks to everyone who contributed to the Church Gate collection last Saturday evening and Sunday morning. It was a very well supported collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. **Samaritans** (supporting those in emotional distress 24/7). Freephone number **116 123**.

<u>Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine</u> Sunday 29th June, Bus leaving from the old Lyric Cinema Castleblayney, at 8.00am. To book a seat please telephone 0876198410.

Blessing of Graves 2025 in St Peter/St Paul's, Lower Magheracloone will be next **Saturday evening 28th June** (please note change from usual date) after the 7pm Mass. Celebrant: Bishop Larry Duffy.

Found in church car park on Tuesday June 3rd. Ladies gold chain with small design. If it belongs to you, please contact 087 9928917.

Children's Summer Faith CAMP for ages 7 - 13yrs in Bunscoil Lughaidh Naofa, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan. Monday 21st July - Thursday 24th July 2025, 10am - 3pm each day. The activities at the camp will include art, drama, sport, music, action songs and prayer. €40 per child and €25 for each additional child in the family. Booking is essential as places are limited. Booking forms are available by emailing: carrickmacrossfaithcamp@gmail.com or hard copies are available in the Carrickmacross Parish Office, opening hours Mon - Fri 10am - 12.30pm. To BOOK Please drop the completed Booking Form along with the Cost of the camp into the Carrickmacross Parish Office.

<u>Carrickmacross Library Events</u>: Crossword and Croissants continues every Monday morning at 11am. Knit n' Knatter continues every Thursday morning at 11am. All welcome. <u>Creative Cafes</u>: Would you like to build confidence, meet new people and explore your creative side? Creative Cafes are holding Speech Symphony a 4-part Speech & Drama workshop series for adults at Carrickmacross Library. It continues every Thursday morning from 10am - 12pm for the next three weeks. All welcome.

Cormagh Company COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT (CE) vacancies in Corduff & Magheracloone. We have several vacancies arising in the coming months in the church graveyards, and Community Centres. To be eligible to participate on a Community Employment project you need to be unemployed and in receipt of a welfare payment for 52 weeks or more. Duties will include light maintenance, grass cutting etc., kitchen assistant duties and caretaking in community buildings. (19.5 hours per week) For further details or to see if you are eligible, please contact Cormagh Co Ltd on 042 9692765 text 0858622215 or email rosemarymills@cormagh.ie.

St. Joseph's Cemetery – June '25 Update

As previously communicated, the annual 'Blessing of the Graves' in St. Joseph's Cemetery Carrickmacross, will take place on Sun 6th July '25. Our Cemetery Workers have been doing a fantastic job keeping our Cemetery tidy and tending to grass cutting & strimming duties among others. However, with the recent rain and heat, there has been a marked increase in grass and other vegetation growth, coupled with a reduced time window for our Cemetery Workers to attend to all parts of the Cemetery, owing to the inclement weather conditions.

We are therefore looking for volunteers to assist our Cemetery Workers over the coming weeks, either during the day on weekdays, evening time or at weekends, whichever suits best. We are looking for volunteers to strim around graves and along footpaths, use lawnmowers, apply weedkiller and general tidying up activities. If you are available to assist, please contact the Cemetery Committee Chairman, Pat Doherty, on 087-8131929. Any, and all help would be greatly appreciated.

Additionally, there is a substantial number of graves in the older part of our Cemetery, where there are no remaining relatives, which also need attention. Consequently, we are organising two 'Clean-Up' Saturdays as follows:

- Sat 21st June '25 from 10.00am to 2.00pm
- Sat 28th June '25 from 10.00am to 2.00pm

Please come along on either or both of these days and help to make our Cemetery a fitting resting place for those nearest and dearest to us.

Last year we had a medical emergency on the day of the 'Blessing of the Graves', and it proved very difficult for emergency vehicles to access our Cemetery. As a result, we must deploy a number of additional safety measures this year as follows:

- Carparking within the Cemetery during the 'Blessing of the Graves' will be severely curtailed this year
- No car parking will be permitted along the roadway from the main gate to the Cemetery Building
- Only vehicles displaying the official 'Blue Badge' will be permitted to enter the Cemetery spaces will be limited
- No vehicle will be permitted to enter the Cemetery on the day, between 12.30pm and 2.45pm

As there will be many visitors to our Cemetery on the day who are not resident within the Parish, please bring this notice to their attention. **Signed: Cemetery Committee.**