

The Friendly Face Befriending Service are seeking help from people who would have an hour a week to befriend an older person, make visits, enjoy mutual hobbies, interests and accompany them on short outings and activities locally. Volunteers must be over 18 and Garda vetted. Training and support will be provided. To apply, contact Sarah Breslin on 086 7858799 or email sarah.breslin@alone.ie

We welcome into God's Community by Baptism: Sophie May Hegarty and Kelsey Helen O'Donnell Kilpatrick.

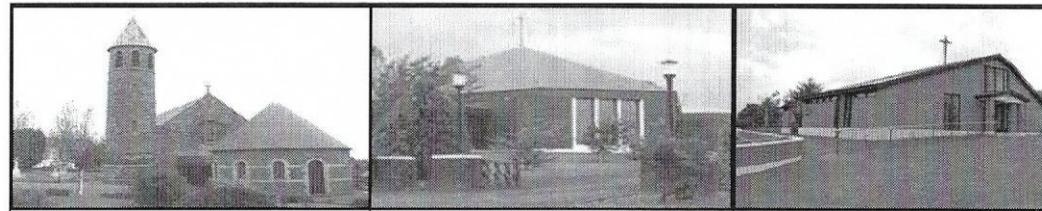
There will be a Table Quiz in Friel's Hotel on Thursday 14 March at 8pm with the proceeds going to Mary's Meals. All are welcome and your support would be greatly appreciated.

"Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: For the sake of the joy which was still in the future, He endured the cross." We are invited to take up the challenge to live a good Lent this year.

St Eunan's National School and St Eunan's Church have, in a joint venture, installed a Defibrillator in the porch of the Church. This is a great safety measure to have. There will be a demonstration on how to use the Defibrillator on Tuesday 12 March at 8pm. This demonstration is open to all.

A Version of Facebook "1 am trying to make friends outside Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day 1 walk down the street and tell people what 1 have eaten, how 1 feel at the moment, what 1 have done the night before, what 1 will do later and with whom. 1 give them pictures of my family, my dog, and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch and doing what anybody and everybody does every day. 1 also listen to their conversations, give them 'thumbs up' and tell them 1 'like' them. And it works just like Facebook. 1 already have four people following me: two Gardai, a private investigator and a psychiatrist!"

THE GREATEST SUFFERING IN THE WORLD "1 think the greatest suffering in the world is being lonely", wrote Mother Teresa, "feeling unloved, just having no one. 1 have come more and more to realise that it is being unwanted that is the worst disease that any human being can ever experience. Nowadays we have found medicine for leprosy and lepers can be cured. For all kinds of diseases there are medicines and cures, but for being unwanted, except where there are willing hands to serve and there's a loving heart to love, 1 don't think this terrible disease can ever be cured"



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PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 3 March 2019 - Eight Week in Ordinary Time

Lent 2019

You are invited to an "Exploration of the Apostles Creed". This time of prayer and reflection will take place in St Mary's Church, Convoy on the Wednesdays of Lent (8pm - 9.1Spm). Presented by Fr Eamonn Kelly, each night we will have some prayer, some explanation of aspects of the Creed and end with Benediction. Everyone is welcome.

Wednesday March 13,20,27 and April 3 and 10
8pm-9.1Spm

St Mary's Church, Convoy
All welcome

Matthew 25: For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me."

Trocaire Boxes are available in the Church. Putting the Trocaire box on the kitchen table for Lent is a powerful reminder to us of the poor and the hungry. Trocaire was established in 1973 and continues to fight for justice for the poor of the world.

	STMARY'S	ST PATRICK'S	ST EUNAN'S
Mon 4	No Mass 2pm Rosary (for vocations)	No Mass	9amMass 7pm Divine Mercy Prayer Time
Tue	No Mass	Noon-6.30pm Adoration 10am Mass (Margaret, Patrick and John Devenney RIP)	9amMass
Wed	7.30am Mass (Johnnie and Philomena Patton RJP)	10am Mass (Hugh McDaid RIP)	9.45am Mass 7.30pm Mass 10.30am-7.30pm Adoration
Thur	No Mass 9am-8pm Adoration	7.30am Mass (Priest's Intentions)	9am Mass (Bridie Crawford RIP)
Fri	7.30am Mass (Special Intention)	No Mass	7.30pm Mass (Hugh McCarron RIP) 8pm Stations of the Cross
Sat	12.30pm -1pm Confessions 3pm Baptism 6pm Mass (Joe Mulhern RIP)	7.30pm Mass (Katie Sweeney RIP)	Noon-12.30pm Confessions 7.30pm Mass (Alex Gibson RIP) After Mass: Confessions
Sun 10	10am Mass (John & Bridget McConalogue RIP)	10am Mass (Latin) 11.30am (Evelyn Leyden RIP)	11am Mass (for all Parishioners)

God calls His people to repent, persevere, trust, follow His directions day by day and await His power. "If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14. Please join HLI Lenten Campaign by offering: a daily rosary, engage in meat-free Fridays or read the Gospels 10 mins each day. For more information log onto www.humanlife.ie or phone 0949375993.

There will be a pilgrimage to San Giovanni and escorted tour to Padua, Adriatic Coast and San Giovanni for seven nights from 30 May. For more details contact Nuala on 071 9851129 or 0860691616.

The distribution of ashes will take place at 7.30am Mass in St Mary's, 10am Mass in St Patrick's, 9.45am Mass and 7.30pm Mass in St Eunan's on Ash Wednesday.

There will be early morning Masses in St Patrick's and St Mary's during Lent. Fr. Gorman will visit the Sick, Elderly and Housebound in Drunkeen on Tuesday 5 March and in Convoy on Thursday 7 March.

The Regional Employment Service can help long term unemployed people to get back into full time employment, identify training opportunities, prepare CV and fill out application forms and much more. If you wish to avail of our service then be advised that The Outreach Officer will be in attendance in the Family Resource Centre, Volt House, Raphoe on Wednesday 13 March (2pm - 4pm) and no appointment is necessary. If you want further information contact Helen! Mary on 074 9161979.

The thief who stole the calendar got twelve months.

The next Alzheimer's Cafe Letterkenny will take place on Thursday 7 March from 11am to 1pm in the Silver Tassie Hotel, Letterkenny. The guest speaker will be Claire Doherty, Befriending Service, Cara House. The Alzheimer's Cafe is free of charge and open to all people with Dementia and their families. Teal Coffee and scones will be provided. For more information please contact Mary (Secretary) on 0879449903.

CHURCH INCOME

	ST. EUNAN'S	ST. PATRICK'S	ST. MARY'S
Collection	€1234	€675	€1250
Candles	€172	€110	€330

Thank you for your generosity to God and His Church