

Sunday 26th September 2021
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
DRUMKEEN



ST. MARY'S CONVOY



ST. EUNAN'S RAPHOE

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**"JESUS
I TRUST IN
YOU"**

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Parish Newsletter

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ASK JESUS TO BE YOUR FRIEND AND LIVE IN GOD'S PEACE

	Parish of Raphoe Mass Schedule
Monday	Raphoe: 9am: Mass Raphoe: 7pm: Divine Mercy Prayer Time followed by Holy Face Devotions Raphoe: 8pm: Holy Hour
Tuesday	Drumkeen: 10am Mass (Bridget Herron; The Sweeney Family RIP) Drumkeen: Noon – 9pm Adoration
Wednesday	Convoy 9am Mass (Gertrude McGlinchey RIP) Raphoe: Noon – 6pm Adoration
Thursday	Raphoe: 9am Mass Convoy: Noon – 6pm Adoration
Friday	Convoy: 6.30pm Mass (Ignatius McNamee; Philomena Peoples RIP) Raphoe: 7.30pm Mass
Saturday	Convoy: 11am Mass First Holy Communion Convoy: 1pm Mass First Holy Communion Raphoe: 3pm: Baptism Convoy: 4pm till 5pm: Sacrament of Confessions Convoy: 6pm Mass (Dermot McBride; Philomena Peoples RIP) Drumkeen: 7.30 Mass (Johnny, Nora and Peter McMenamin RIP) Drumkeen: After Mass: Confessions
Sunday	Convoy: 9.30am Mass Raphoe: 11am Mass (Martin Lafferty; Brian and Margaret McFadden RIP) Drumkeen: 3pm Latin Mass Raphoe: 5pm: Devotions and Benediction

Sunday Mass Readings for 3 October 2021, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading: Genesis 2: 18-24; Psalm 128

Second reading: Hebrews 2: 9-11; Gospel: Mark 10: 2-16

Parish News...

Saturday is to be Confessions day in our parish. It is called by most of us simply as "Confessions". It is also called the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of Penance. It is one of the most underused gifts in the Church. Nowadays it is not trendy to go to Confessions. Listen to the language used "sure what wrong do I do?", "I never really sin much," "it is such an old fashioned idea". And yet when we look around our world the issues that a good Confession heals are building all the time – the carrying of burdens, the guilt over our wrongs, the remorse and shame that pesters us, the un-forgiveness of others and ourselves, the absence of peace, the constant nagging of the inner spirit, the rushing around to stop the conscience telling us that there is a better way. We do not have to go to Confession at every sniff of a sin but the freedom offered by a sincere Confession cannot be purchased.

Jesus said: 'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court; if a man calls his brother "Fool" he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him "Renegade" he will answer for it in hell fire.' (Matthew 5:21). The Sacrament of Confessions renews us, "washes us" and heals us.

There will be Confessions each Saturday between 4pm and 5pm. We will move to a different Church each week. There will also be other times for Confessions as shown in the newsletter and the website. Confessions on Saturday 2 October will be celebrated in St Mary's Church. (4pm-5pm)

You are invited to become a regular Confessor of sins. It is one of the best tools in establishing a genuine and deepening relation with God.

One good thing about living in Switzerland is that the flag is a big plus.

HOW GOOD IS YOUR READING? Aoccdrnig to a rscheearch at Cmabrigde Uinervtisy, it deosn't mttar in waht oredr the ltteers in a wrod are, the olny iprmoetnt tihng is taht the frist and lsat ltteer be at the rghit pclae. The rset can be a total msees and you can sitll raed it wouthit porbelm. Tihs is bcuseae the huamn mnid deos not raed ervey lteter by istlef, but the wrod as a wlohe. Amzanig huh?

The Drumkeen lotto result was 1, 10, 12, 14. The Lucky winners were Sean Kelly x2, Rita Bonner and Josephine Peoples. The next draw is on Sunday in Rosie's Bar at 10pm. Drumkeen United thank all who support the lotto.

Parish News...

SEEKING YOUR HELP AND COPPER The good news is spreading. Mary's Meals are now feeding 2,058,099 children ever school day. It is a wonderful moment in our development but our work has just begun. To help us feed even more children, Mary's Meals in Ireland are going to try and feed all the children for one day. This is on top of our normal fundraising. Therefore we need 2,058,099 multiplied by nine cents as it cost nine cents per meal. So we are appealing to you for your old copper coins that are lying around the house and car. Many people have a jug, jam jar or tin that contains their loose coins. You don't even need to count it. We are willing to collect it from you if you are willing to donate it. Please phone Fr Kelly on 0879077985 and he will organise one of our volunteers to help you feed the little children. We are also glad to take old punts and sterling notes and coins. Thank you for all your help and prayers over the years.

The "First Friday" call will resume this week. It has been a long and frustrating time. We will take all necessary steps to keep everybody safe.

Ten Reasons WHY I NEVER WASH

1. I was made to wash as a child.
2. People who wash are hypocrites - they reckon they're cleaner than other people.
3. There are so many different kinds of soap; I could never decide which one was right.
4. I used to wash, but it got boring so I stopped.
5. I still wash on special occasions like Christmas or Easter.
6. None of my friends wash.
7. I'm still young. When I'm older and have got a bit dirtier I might start washing.
8. I really don't have time.
9. The bathroom's never warm enough.
10. People who make soap are only after your money.

Daft? We all need to wash. We know it. There is no argument! And we need a personal friendship with Jesus too. The need may not be quite so obvious, but it is there all the same. Jesus can do something soap and water can never do. He can make us clean on the inside! And that is life changing! So go to church, please.