

Sunday 04 September 2022
TWENTY- THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
 DRUMKEEN**



ST. MARY'S CONVOY



ST. EUNAN'S RAPHOE

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Parish Newsletter

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All Masses and Services from St Eunan's Church, Raphoe are available online at
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Parish of Raphoe Mass Schedule	
Monday 05th September	Raphoe: 7.30-8.30am Morning Prayer Raphoe: 9am: Mass (Andrew, Susan and Mary Gibson RIP) Convooy: 2pm: Rosary Raphoe: 7pm: Divine Mercy Prayer Time followed by the Knock Novena Prayers Raphoe: 8pm: Holy Hour.
Tuesday 06th September	FIRST FRIDAY CALLS DRUMKEEN Raphoe 7.30-8.30am Morning Prayer Raphoe: 9am: Mass (Susan Connolly RIP) Drumkeen: 7pm: Mass (Charlie McCafferty MMM RIP) Drumkeen Noon—9pm Adoration Raphoe: 8pm—9.30pm correction of survey maps from all three church
Wednesday 07th September	FIRST FRIDAY CALLS CONVOY Raphoe 7.30-8.30am Morning Prayer Convooy: 9am: Mass (Trevor Kilpatrick RIP) Raphoe: 9.30am – 9pm: Adoration
Thursday 08th September	Raphoe 7.30-8.30am Morning Prayer Raphoe: 9am: Mass Convooy: Noon—6pm Adoration
Friday 09th September	Raphoe 7.30-8.30am Morning Prayer Convooy: 9am: Mass Raphoe: 7.30pm: Mass (Rose Kelly RIP)
Saturday 10th September	Raphoe: 4pm-4.30pm: Confessions Convooy: 6pm: Mass (Maura Moody MMM RIP, Kelly Family, Corcashey RIP) Drumkeen: 7.30pm: Mass (Bridget and Willie Deasley; Deasley and McDaid family members RIP; Tommy Cuthbert RIP; Lee McGavigan RIP; Con and Sarah Faulkner RIP) No Mass in Raphoe
Sunday 11th September	No Mass in Drumkeen Convooy: 9.30am Mass (Danny Cullen RIP) Raphoe: 11am Mass Drumkeen: 3pm Mass (Latin)

- As Fr Dinny is away please note the changes in the schedule
- New and existing altar servers are welcome
- We seek Eucharistic Ministers to take Holy Communion to our nursing homes

Parish News...

TWO ROADS

One day, I saw two roads. One was broad, covered with sand and flowers, full of joy, music and all sorts of pleasures. People walked along it, dancing and enjoying themselves. They reached the end without realizing it. And at the end of the road there was a horrible precipice; that is, the abyss of hell. And I saw the other road, or rather, a path, for it was narrow and strewn with thorns and rocks; ... Some fell down upon the rocks, but stood up immediately and went on. At the end of the road there was a magnificent garden filled with all sorts of happiness, and all these souls entered there. At the very first instant they forgot all their sufferings. (Diary of St Faustina 153)

Graveyard map and signage

Shortly after Fr Kelly came to the parish we had surveys done on the graveyards and then asked people to make corrections if necessary. Some people did but the notes that were left were not possible to follow. Therefore on Tuesday 6 September from 8pm until 9.30pm in St Eunan's Church, we will have a time with the graveyard surveyor to correct any mistakes that many be in the graveyard survey. Afterwards the graveyard survey will be displayed in each of the graveyards. It is important to get this right because unused graves will be re-allocated so that the parish is not left with an unending outlay. This is a very important issue and you are encouraged to take it to the attention to your family and circle of contacts

The collection last weekend amounted to Drumkeen €465, Raphoe €870 and Convoy €640. Thank you for your support of the parish.

One Day Retreats at Lough Derg

One Day Retreats have resumed on Lough Derg, and continue on selected dates until the end of September: August 28 and 29; September 3, 7, 10, 13, 17, 18, 24 and 25. Booking is essential. Admission fee of €45pp includes all refreshments, lunch, return boat service, full retreat programme, free car and coach parking. Boats available from 9.15am on the day; retreat begins at 10.30am until 4.30pm. For booking and further information: by phone +353 (0)71 9861518; online: www.loughderg.org; email: info@loughderg.org

Age is a high price to pay for maturity

There will be a Ceili Class in St. Mary's hall Convoy starting Thursday 8 September at 8.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

Letterkenny and District Christmas Annual are appealing for old photographs. If you have any old photos of our community that you wouldn't mind sharing they would be delighted to feature them in the next edition of the Letterkenny and District Christmas Annual. They particularly interested in photos with people featured in them and any information you might have about the photo. If you could call into Letterkenny Community Centre on a Friday morning/afternoon and ask for Lewis, he will be able to scan them there and then and give them back to you when he is done, if Friday does not suit you can leave them there for him with your phone and phone number and Lewis will get back to you when they are ready to be collected. Or you could send photos and info by email to lccxmasannual@hotmail.com.

Parish News...

Rainbows Ireland, Letterkenny - applications for the Rainbows programme are now open for the 2022/23 year. Rainbows is a 9-week support programme for children aged 6-12 years old (1st - 6th class) who have been affected by bereavement or separation in the family. To reserve a place and receive an application form please contact the Pastoral Centre: 074 9121853 or email pastoralcentre@raphoediocese.ie For more information on the Rainbows Ireland programme visit www.rainbowsireland.ie

A blond went into a pet shop and asked for a big bag of bird seed. 'How many birds do you have?' asked the pet shop assistant. 'None at the moment' said the blond, "but I am hoping to grow some."

Anam Cara Donegal, an organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Thursday 8 September at 7:15pm in the Raddison Blu, Letterkenny. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. Please contact us on 085 288 8888/info@anamcara.ie for further information.

On Friday September 16, Fr Kelly will celebrate his sixtieth! Hard to believe: he looks so young! And acts so immature! You are invited to the birthday bash in St Mary's Hall in Convoy. No personal presents please but if you want to, you can leave a wee donation for Mary's Meals. There will be ceol and craick, dancing and music, buns and tea and a lot of fun and chat.

Fr Kelly will visit our "First Friday People" in the Drumkeen area on Tuesday 6 September and in the Convoy area on Wednesday 7 September.

Lough Derg Day of Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

The One Day Retreat on Sunday 25th September, will have the special focus of praying for an end to the conflict in Ukraine. Guest Speaker, refugee, Halyna Tesluk, Associate Professor of Old Testament at The Ukrainian Catholic University. More information at www.loughderg.org. Boats from 9.15am | Retreat Programme begins at 10.15am | Boats return at 4.30pm Morning Coffee and lunch included. Booking essential. Special discounted rate of €25 for Ukrainian refugees (must be booked by telephone: +353 (0)71 9861518). Full price €45