

SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2023
THE SIXTH 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

	Parish of Raphoe Mass Schedule www.watchmcnmedia.tv / www.parishofraphoe.com
Monday 13 February	Raphoe: 7.30am: Morning Prayer. All Welcome. Raphoe: 9am: Mass Convoy 2pm: Rosary Raphoe: 7pm: Divine Mercy Prayer Time Raphoe: 8pm: Holy Hour.
Tuesday 14 February	Raphoe 7.30am: Morning Prayer. All Welcome. Drumkeen: 10am: Mass (Parish Benefactors) Drumkeen: Noon—9pm Adoration Raphoe: 3.15pm—4pm: First Holy Communion and Sacrament of Confirmation Class Raphoe: 6pm: Evening Prayer, Rosary, Chaplet and Night Prayer. All Welcome.
Wednesday 15 February	Raphoe: 7.30am: Morning Prayer. Convoy: 9am: Mass (Parish Benefactors) Raphoe: 9.30am-9pm Adoration Raphoe: 6pm Evening Prayer, Rosary, Chaplet and Night Prayer. All Welcome.
Thursday 16 February	Raphoe 7.30am: Morning Prayer. All Welcome. Raphoe: 9am: Mass (Parish Benefactors) Convoy: Noon—6pm Adoration Raphoe: 6pm Evening Prayer Convoy (Parochial House): 8pm: Legion of Mary
Friday 17 February	Raphoe: 7.30am: Morning Prayer. All Welcome. Drumkeen: 2pm: Prayer; Rosary, Chaplet, all welcome Raphoe: 6pm: Evening Prayer, Rosary, Chaplet and Night Prayer. All Welcome. Convoy: 6.30pm: Mass (Eileen O'Donnell MMM RIP) Raphoe: 7.30pm Mass (John and Margaret Crawford RIP)
Saturday 18 February	Drumkeen: 4pm Confessions Convoy: 6pm: Mass (Brian Rodgers; Shane Bonner; Toal, Sarah, Aodh and Liam Gallagher RIP) Drumkeen: 7.30pm: Mass After Mass Confessions
Sunday 19 February	Convoy: 9.30am Mass: (Margaret, Robert and Brendan McGeehan RIP) Raphoe: 11am Mass (Eva Coyle; Geraldine Martin and Dermot McCabe RIP) Drumkeen: 1pm Latin Mass Convoy: 3pm: Baptism

It is easier to criticise than to try and express your ideas for the up-building of the parish community.

Parish News...

PRESENCE: I often feel God's presence after Holy Communion in a special and tangible way. I know God is in my heart. And the fact that I feel Him in my heart does not interfere with my duties. Even when I am dealing with very important matters which require attention, I do not lose the presence of God in my soul, and I am closely united with Him. With Him I go to work, with Him I go for recreation, with Him I suffer, with Him I rejoice; I live in Him and He in me. I am never alone, because He is my constant companion. He is present to me at every moment. Our intimacy is very close, through a union of blood and of life. (Diary 138)

Please, pray for vocations to the priesthood for the diocese of Raphoe; ask Jesus to provide for the spiritual needs of his people. Pray that we may all respond to God's invitation to be holy.

Fr Kelly will visit our "First Friday People", in the Convoy area on Wednesday 1 March, in the Raphoe area on Thursday 2 March and in the Drumkeen area on Tuesday 7 March. There are people who could easily be visited. If you would like to add someone to his visit please let him know.

RTÉ will broadcast Mass on Sunday 19 February 2023 at 11am to mark Temperance Sunday 2023. Prayers will be offered for all who are in treatment for addiction and for those who are in recovery. The Offertory Hymn composed by Ephrem Feeley is a new arrangement of the Serenity Prayer.

A Healing and Renewal weekend will take place in the Tara Hotel, Killybegs on 17,18 and 19 February. Led by Fr Brendan Kilcoyne and Fr Luke Oheimi it will focus on healing of memories and generational healing. For more information phone Mary Leonard on 0877847304

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023 will depart from The City of Derry Airport on Tuesday 23 May 2023 for five nights. The Pilgrimage will be led by Most Reverend Bishop Alan Mc Guckian, with Pilgrimage Director, Fr Stephen Gorman. The cost of the Pilgrimage is €879, fully inclusive. To book please contact Joe Walsh Tours DIRECTLY on 01 2410800.

Did you hear about the angry snowman? He had a meltdown.

Some upcoming retreats at Ards Friary: include:

24 – 26 February Bereavement 1: is a two-part retreat for those who have suffered bereavement. The second part of the retreat will be held 17 – 19 March. (Facilitator: Fr. Philip Baxter)

24 - 26 February Lenten Retreat: Things That Matter - A weekend retreat at the beginning of Lent

A Prayer for the Disappeared was launched by the Wave Trauma organisation in November. There are still a number of families who are awaiting the return of the bodies of their loved ones after many decades. We are encouraged to pray for the return of the Disappeared. A prayer card is available at the entrance to the Church

There is a Youth 2000 Prayer Meeting every Wednesday in the Cathedral in Letterkenny, 8pm-9pm, with tea afterwards in the Pastoral Centre. (Ages 16-35). For more information contact Orla 0851681320 or Elaine 0871707440

Parish News...

Safeguarding

The Parish of Raphoe is committed to the protection of all children, young people and vulnerable adults in our parish. The Parish of Raphoe recognises and upholds the dignity and rights of all children, is committed to ensuring their safety and well-being, and will work in partnership with parents/guardians to do this. The Parish recognises each child as a gift from God, and values and encourages the participation of all children in all activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development. All parish personnel (including clergy, religious, staff and volunteers) have a responsibility to safeguard children through promoting their welfare, health, development in a safe and caring environment that supports their best interests and prevents abuse. If you ever see or notice a safeguarding issue please report it immediately. Also if you see or notice any improvements that could be made regarding safeguarding please tell us.

To mark the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of St Patrick's Church, Bishop Alan McGuckian will celebrate Mass on Thursday 16 March at 7.30pm

Did you hear about the ski trip? It started off fine, but went downhill fast.

To mark the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of St Mary's Church, Convoy Bishop Alan McGuckian will celebrate Mass on Saturday 17 June at 6pm

On Tuesday 14 February the class will take place for the Children who wish receive First Holy Communion and the Children who wish receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2023 and who are not in our Catholic Schools, (St Eunan's Church, 3.15pm).

We are always on the lookout for interesting articles for the newsletter. If you have one you might like to share it. If you would like a notice in the newsletter, please email the notice to raphoeparish@gmail.com

The Celiac Hosts are available from the priest at all Masses in the parish

There are free copies of the Medjugorje Messenger Magazine, the Totus Tuus Magazine, the Divine Mercy Newsletter and The Mirror Magazine available in the three parish Churches.

