

# Parish Newsletter

SUNDAY 26 MARCH 2023  
THE FIFTH SUNDAY  
IN LENT



**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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	<b>Parish of Raphoe Mass Schedule</b> <a href="http://www.watchmcnmedia.tv">www.watchmcnmedia.tv</a> / <a href="http://www.parishofraphoe.com">www.parishofraphoe.com</a>
Monday 27 March	Raphoe: 7.30am: Mass Raphoe: 8am: Morning Prayer. All Welcome. Raphoe: 9am: Mass Raphoe: 7pm: Divine Mercy Prayer Time Raphoe: 8pm: Holy Hour.
Tuesday 28 March	Raphoe: 7.30am: Mass Raphoe: 8am: Morning Prayer. All Welcome. Raphoe: 9am: Mass Drumkeen: 10am: Mass Drumkeen: Noon—6.30pm Adoration Raphoe: 6pm: Evening and Night Prayer. Drumkeen: 7pm: Service of Light
Wednesday 29 March	Raphoe: 7.30am: Mass Raphoe: 8am: Morning Prayer. All Welcome. Convoy: 9am: Mass Raphoe: 9.30am-9pm Adoration Raphoe: 6pm: Evening and Night Prayer. Convoy: 7pm: Service of Light
Thursday 30 March	<b>FIRST FRIDAY CALLS RAPHOE</b> Raphoe: 7.30am: Mass Raphoe: 8am: Morning Prayer. All Welcome. Raphoe: 9am Mass Drumkeen: 10am: Mass Convoy: Noon—6pm Adoration Raphoe: 5.30pm: Evening and Night Prayer. Raphoe: 7pm: Service of Light Convoy (Parochial House): 8pm: Legion of Mary
Friday 31 March	Raphoe: 7.30am: Mass Raphoe: 8am: Morning Prayer. Convoy: 9am: Mass (John and Mary Friel; Patrick Duffy RIP) Raphoe 7.30pm: Mass (Seamus Campbell RIP)
Saturday 01 April	Convoy: Noon: Baptism Convoy: 4pm-4.30pm: Confessions Convoy: 6pm: Mass (Michael and Susanna Slevin; Cassie and Mary Maggie McCool RIP) Drumkeen: 7.30pm: Mass (James McGee RIP) After Mass Confessions Raphoe: 7.30pm: Mass (Paidini Kavanagh and all the members of the Kavanagh and Curran Families) After Mass Confessions
Sunday 02 April	<b>Psalm Sunday</b> Drumkeen: 9.30: Mass (John and Mary McGoldrick, Patrick and John McGoldrick RIP) Convoy: 9.15am Procession Convoy: 9.30am: Mass (Phonsie Slevin RIP) Raphoe: 10.45am Procession Raphoe: 11am Mass Drumkeen: 1pm Latin Mass

# Parish News...

## PLEASE NOTE CHANGES

The Relic of St Faustina is on public display at the Divine Mercy Alcove in St Mary's Church, Convooy. We are hoping, after Easter to start a time of weekly prayer in the Alcove. Your ideas and suggestions would be deeply appreciated. "Today, one of the sisters came to see me and said, "Sister, I have a strange feeling, as though something were telling me to come to you and commend to you certain problems of mine before you die, and that perhaps you will be able to beseech the Lord Jesus and arrange these things for me. Something keeps telling me that you will be able to obtain this for me." I answered her with equal frankness that, yes, I felt in my soul that after my death I would be able to obtain more from the Lord Jesus than at the present time. "I will remember you, Sister, before His throne." (Diary 1614)

Last weekend we had two big events in the parish – the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Opening of St Patrick's Church, Drumkeen and the Arrival of the Relic of St Faustina into St Mary's Church, Convooy. We would like to express our sincere thanks to all who helped plan, organise, prepare for and execute these great parish moments. Thanks to all cleaners, bakers, musicians, singers, dancers, organisers, etc. These two events will live long in our memory.

Planning Easter: This is what we hope to have in the parish for the celebration of Easter, your thoughts and ideas would be very welcome.

Wednesday 5 April: Confessions: Drumkeen: 6pm-6.45pm; Convooy: 7pm-7.45pm; Raphoe: 8pm-8.45pm

### **Holy Thursday**

Raphoe: 8.30am: Office of Readings and Morning Prayer

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Convooy: 6pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper (and time of being with Jesus in the Garden ending at 9pm)

Drumkeen: 7pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper (and time of being with Jesus in the Garden ending at 10pm)

Raphoe: 8pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper (and time of being with Jesus in the Garden ending at 11pm)

### **Good Friday (Divine Mercy Novena begins)**

Raphoe: 9am: Office of Readings and Morning Prayer and first day of Divine Mercy Novena

Convooy: 11am: Stations of the Cross

Drumkeen: 2pm: Good Friday Service; Raphoe: 3pm: Good Friday Service; Convooy: 4pm: Good Friday Service

### **Holy Saturday**

Raphoe: 9am: Office of Readings and Morning Prayer and second day of Divine Mercy Novena

Convooy: 6pm: Easter Vigil; Drumkeen: 7.30pm: Easter Vigil; Raphoe: 9pm: Easter Vigil (nine readings)

### **Easter Sunday**

Drumkeen: 9.30: Mass; Convooy: 9.30am: Mass; Raphoe: 11am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Devotions;

Drumkeen: 1pm Latin Mass; Convooy: 2.30pm: Divine Mercy Devotions

What kind of vehicle has four wheels and flies? A garbage truck

# Parish News...

Fr Kelly will visit our "First Friday People" in the Raphoe area on Thursday 30 March, in the Drumkeen area on Tuesday 4 April and in the Convoy area on Wednesday 5 April. If you would like to add someone to his visit please let him know.

The latest Mary's Meals online quiz takes place on Friday, March 31 at 8pm. To join in: 1) go to My-Quiz.org and 2) enter the code for this month which is 848083. Please feel free to share this access number with anyone and spread the word if you can. To donate go to [www.bit.ly/QuizforMM](http://www.bit.ly/QuizforMM) or contact Martin on 087 2596159

A diplomat is a man who always remembers a woman's birthday but never remembers her age.

The Diocese of Raphoe Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation committee want to remind everyone that World Water Day was held on Wednesday 22 March. World Water Day focuses attention on the Earth's most vital resource. Over 2 billion people are living without access to safe water. We can take for granted the clean water which comes from our taps until something goes wrong. Some simple things you can do to conserve water – take shorter showers, don't let tap run when brushing your teeth, install water butts around your house, fix leaking taps and pipes. Our small actions can make a big difference! Visit [www.unwater.org/bethechange/](http://www.unwater.org/bethechange/)

St Mary's GAA Club News: 50/50 Winner of €200 was Alison Wilson. 50/50 €2 or 3 for €5 is available in local shops and online Thanks to everyone who supported our big draw and to all who made the dinner dance a great success. Congratulations to Rodger and Angie O Conner Convoy winner of the €50,000. The €1000 winners were Liam and Pat Mailey. Convoy, John Parke Raphoe, Pat Brogan, Donegal Town, Daniel Doherty, Lifford and James Conroy, Boston

Lough Derg will welcome Pilgrims with a full Pilgrimage programme this summer. The Three-Day Pilgrimage runs from 1 June until 15 August. Booking is advised. Concessions are available for students, seniors and groups. The one-day retreats and guided Pilgrim Path experience: dates are in May (Monday 1, Sunday 7, Tuesday 9, Sunday 14, Saturday 20, Saturday 27 and Monday 29) and late August (Saturday 19, Tuesday 22 and Sunday 27) through September (Saturday 2, Wednesday 6, Saturday 9, Tuesday 12, Saturday 16, Sunday 17, Saturday 23 and Sunday 24). Booking is essential. All booking information at [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org), email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal, F94 N289.

For maximum attention, nothing beats a good mistake.

## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."  
- Jn 11:25

