



St. Eunan's Church,



St. Patrick's Church,



St. Mary's Church,
Convoy

NEWSLETTER RAPHOE PARISH

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Monday

Raphoe: 7.30am: Morning Prayer

Raphoe: 9am: Mass (Eileen McGoldrick RIP; Katty Gamble RIP)

Convoy: 2pm: Rosary

Raphoe: 7pm: Divine Mercy Holy Hour

Raphoe: 8pm: Holy Hour

Tuesday

Raphoe: 7.30am: Morning Prayer

Raphoe: 9am: Mass

Drumkeen: 10am: Mass (RDS – living)

Drumkeen: Noon–9pm: Adoration

Raphoe: 3.15pm–4pm: First Holy Communion Class

Raphoe 6pm: Evening Prayer

Wednesday

Raphoe: 7.30am: Morning Prayer

Raphoe: Adoration 9.30am – 9pm

Convoy: 6.30pm: Mass (Eileen O'Donnell RIP))

Thursday

Raphoe: 7.30am: Morning Prayer

Raphoe: 9am: Mass (Parish Benefactors)

Drumkeen: 10am: Mass

Convoy: Noon-6pm: Adoration

Raphoe 6pm: Evening Prayer

Convoy Parochial House: 8pm: Legion of Mary

Friday

Raphoe: 7.30am: Morning Prayer

Please note: Convoy: No Mass

Drumkeen: 2pm: Prayer in Reparation

Raphoe: 7.30pm: Mass

Saturday:

Convoy: 9.30am –10.30am: Divine Mercy Prayers;

Convoy: 10.30pm: Confessions

Drumkeen: 4pm: Baptism

Convoy: 6pm: Mass (Mary O'Loughlin; Jason Kelly; Kathleen, Maura and Patrick McVeigh; Vincent McGahern RIP)

Drumkeen: 7.30pm: Mass (Brian Patton; John and Madge McLaughlin; Henry and Mary Patton RIP)

Drumkeen: After Mass: Confessions

Raphoe: 7.30pm: Mass

Raphoe: After Mass: Confessions

Sunday

Convoy: 9.30am: Mass (Eddie Duffy RIP)

Drumkeen: 9.30am: Mass

Raphoe: 11am: Mass (Joe Glackin; Joe McGinley; Sarah Kelly RIP)

The Legion of Mary are organising a Pilgrimage Statue to go around the homes of the parish. From next weekend you have the opportunity to sign up to have the Pilgrimage Statue of Our Lady in your home for a few days. It will be a good opportunity to pray as a family and possibility to pray with neighbours. The full details will be available next week..

A man meets his friend but has not time to stop and chat; "I am on the way to the Doctor's. I don't like the look of the wife this morning." "I will come with you," says the friend "I do not find my wife attractive either."

The Legion of Mary is a very great movement that enables all to come to know Christ and serve Christ. We would love to have a Legion of Mary in the three areas of the parish. Presently the Legion of Mary meet every Thursday at 8pm in the Parochial House Convoy and you are very welcome to come along to see how it all works and how we can participate in the call of Jesus to proclaim the Good new to all people.

A man went into a shop and said "I would like to buy a wasp." "We do not sell wasps here," said the shopkeeper. "That is strange", says the customer "for you have ten in the front window."

Over the years, many people have been nominated for positions within the parish and after accepting the nomination have served the parish of Raphoe amazingly well. Now, however, we are introducing a 'shift' in this process and we encourage people to pray about serving the parish community. It is not easy to commit to regular jobs or functions in the parish and it takes courage to stand and be seen to try and be a follower of Christ. Jesus calls many people to serve. So please pray and ask if he is calling you to a particular ministry within the church. If the answer is yes, you are encouraged to volunteer. All necessary help will be provided but it will be your personal response to the invitation of Jesus.

Note from the Civil Registration Office: Couples wishing to book an appointment regarding Marriage Registration Forms should look at all the offices and not only the Letterkenny office. Due to a shortage of staff the particular date for an appointment may not be available so allow extra time. Couples can also seek appointments in any Civil Registration Office nationally. Contact details of all Civil Registration offices can be found at; www2.hse.ie/services/births-deaths-and-marriages/find-a-civil-registration-service/

Donegal ETB's Further Education and Training Fair in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny will be on Wednesday 28 February, (7-9pm) and Thursday 29 February (10am to 2pm). The free Fair is open to all who would like information on full time, part-time, evening and online education and training opportunities.

Raphoe Community Playgroup will hold enrolment on Monday 15 January and Tuesday 16 January (6-8pm).

MCN have announced that their web address has changed from www.mcn.live. Parishioners who log in to our parish website will have to do nothing as the embedded codes for your Parish website have already been implemented, as per our last email, and everything will remain the same. For those parishioners who log into www.mcnmedia.tv our new address www.mcn.live will be effective from today, with the old address still being available to assist in the transition. www.mcnmedia.tv will no longer work after 20 February.

- ◆ ST MARY'S GAA: Congratulations to Willie Breen winner of €275 the first 50/50 of 2024. Tickets €2 or 3 for €5 available online PayPal, Revolut, local shops and sellers
- ◆ The National Draw is a great way of bringing in much needed funds at the start of the year to help with the running costs of the club. Tickets are priced at €10 and St Mary's GAA asks for all involved or interested in the club to help then in selling and indeed buying some tickets. Any tickets bought from St. Mary's Convoy the money stays in the club
- ◆ Registration is now due: Renewal can be done on Foireann just make sure to tick the right box especially if playing under lgfa or coaching lgfa and take screenshot
- ◆ Anyone interested in doing a safe guarding course ...if we get sufficient numbers we are hoping to host a course. So let committee members or coaches know ASAP
- ◆ As Part of the healthy club initiative you can see St Mary's have signed up for the walking challenge
- ◆ St Mary's Dinner-dance will take place on 3 February in the Villa Rose. Anyone interested in sponsoring a table (cost €50), please get in touch through FB page or Ciara on 086 879 3720 for further details
- ◆ Thanks to all who have taken hoarding signs out around the pitch If anyone would like to get a sign up around the pitch again get in touch and we can run you through costs details etc
- ◆ Congratulations to Kerry McCready on her inclusion on the lgfa Minor panel and to club coach Gabrielle as mentor with the squad

Valery Deasley is willing to help organise a choir for St Patrick's Church. If you would be willing to assist, play an instrument or sing please contact Valery on 0877656560. It would be a great step forward.

The Convoy Choir will have practice on Thursday at 8pm. New members are welcome.

The winners of the Christmas Mary's Meals raffle were 1. Carmel Kelly, 2. Bernadette Meehan and 3 Nuala Doherty. Thank to all who supported the draw. Because of your kindness another seventy-seven children will receive a meal each school day for the coming year in their place of education.

Your financial support of the parish is deeply appreciated. We take this opportunity to thank everybody who contributes to the parish. We are encouraging everyone to set up a standing order to your local church. In today's world it would be very beneficial if all would set up a standing order rather than the envelope system. It would also save time and money on envelopes, printing,

**Forms are at the back
of the Church**