



St. Eunan's Church,
Raphoe



St. Patrick's Church,
Drumkeen



St. Mary's Church,
Convoy

NEWSLETTER RAPHOE PARISH

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Sunday 18 February 2024

Monday

Raphoe: 7am Mass
Raphoe: after Mass: Morning Prayer
Raphoe: 9am: Mass
Convoy: 2pm: Rosary
Raphoe: 7pm: Divine Mercy Holy Hour
Raphoe: 8pm: Holy Hour

Tuesday

Raphoe: 7am Mass
Raphoe: after Mass: Morning Prayer
Raphoe: 9am: Mass
Drumkeen: 10am: Mass followed by Confessions
Drumkeen: Noon—9pm: Adoration
Raphoe: 3.15pm-4pm: First Holy Communion Class
Raphoe 6pm: Evening Prayer
Convoy: 7pm: Service of Light
Raphoe : 8pm: Service of Light

Wednesday

Raphoe: 7am Mass (RDS Living)
Raphoe: after Mass: Morning Prayer
Convoy: 9am: Mass
Raphoe: Adoration 9.30am – 9pm
Drumkeen: 7pm: Service of Light

Thursday

Raphoe: 7am Mass (RDS Living)
Raphoe: after Mass: Morning Prayer
Raphoe: 9am: Mass (Parish Benefactors)
Drumkeen: 10am: Mass
Convoy: Noon-6pm: Adoration
Convoy: Parochial House: 8pm: Legion of Mary

Friday

Raphoe: 7am Mass
Raphoe: after Mass: Morning Prayer
Convoy: 9am Mass (Eileen Flynn RIP)
Drumkeen: 2pm: Prayer in Reparation
Raphoe: 7.30pm: Mass (Toal, Sarah, Liam and Aodh Gallagher, Kathleen Nee)

Saturday:

Convoy: 9.30am –10.30am: Divine Mercy Prayers;
Drumkeen to Convoy to Raphoe: 10am: Parish Walk:
all welcome
Raphoe: 2.30pm: Baptism
Convoy: 6pm: Mass (Jim and Katie McLaughlin and
Baby Grace RIP)
Drumkeen: 7.30pm: Mass (John Charles Duffy RIP)
Drumkeen: After Mass: Confessions
Raphoe: 7.30pm: Mass (Bernard Connolly and John
Connolly RIP)
Raphoe: After Mass: Confessions

Sunday

Convoy: 9.30am: Mass (Seamus, Bridget and Mary
Ellen McElhinney)
Drumkeen: 9.30am: Mass
Raphoe: 11am: Mass (Eilish Conlon, Mary Dunne RIP)
Drumkeen: 1pm Latin Mass

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

Pope Francis tells us How:

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
Fast from worried and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.
Fast from selfishness and be Compassionate.
Fast from grudges and be reconciled
Fast from words; be silent and listen

The First Week of Lent

Lord God, you who breathed the spirit of life within me.
Draw out of me the light and life you created.
Help me to find my way back to you.
Help me to use my life to reflect your glory
and to serve others as your son Jesus did.

The SafeTalk course on suicide preventions was postponed as there were not enough registered participants. A new date of Tuesday 23 April at 7pm in St Mary's Hall, Convoy has been marked in.

There will be a Service of Light for the Children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on:

- Tuesday 20 February at 7pm in St Mary's Church, Convoy
- Tuesday 20 February at 8pm in St Eunan's Church, Raphoe
- And Wednesday 21 February at 7pm in St Patrick's Church, Drumkeen

There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop McGuckian on Monday 26 February at 7pm in St. Eunan's Cathedral, Letterkenny, to mark his departure from the Diocese. Mass will be followed by refreshments at Loreto Secondary School, behind the Cathedral. If you would like to help with practicalities or by preparing baked goods, please contact Mary on 086 0870446

A bus will be going from Letterkenny to the Divine Mercy Conference on Saturday 24 February 2024 and returning to Letterkenny on the same day. For more information and to book please phone 087 7488174.

There will be a retreat led by Philip McParland from Friday 23 (6pm) to Sunday 25 (lunch 1pm) February in Ards Friary. Phone 074 91 38909 on Monday to Friday 11am – 4pm or email info@ardsfriary.ie

There will be a Diocesan Vocations Retreat from Friday 08 to 10 March in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne. Is God calling you to the Priesthood? Take the Risk for Christ. For more information email Fr Rory Brady - vocations@raphoediocese.ie

Why did the melon jump into the lake? It wanted to be a water-melon.

There will be the World Day of Prayer in Convoy Presbyterian Church on Friday 1 March at 7pm.

The Enduring Certificates (CHY3) are being sent back and we thank everyone for this. If you have not signed your certificate, please sign it and drop it back to us. These the Enduring Certificates can be a great benefit to the parish. The Enduring Certificate is for anyone who has donated €250 or more to the parish in a financial year. We thank all who contribute to the parish and are grateful for the ongoing support. If you have not received an Enduring Certificate and feel that you should have please let us know using the address or phone number above.

The Mary's Meals Countywide Church Gate Collection will take place on Saturday 2 and Sunday 3 March.

Middle age is when broadness of the mind and narrowness of the waste change places.

Mary's Meals are happy to announce their ART SALE which will take place in the beautiful hamlet of Frosses on Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 March. Over one hundred and fifty paintings have been donated to Mary's Meals and any one of them would make a lovely present for a loved one. We gratefully acknowledge the work and generosity of all the artists and hopefully we will be able to enjoy lovely paintings in our homes from now on. Everybody is invited. As always Mary's Meals deeply appreciates your kindness and support.

ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area to help older people who'd like extra social contact. Full training and support provided. Please sign up by logging onto the website: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> For more information, contact Helena on Helena.madden@alone.ie or call 086 0145829 or 074-9321598.

Donegal ETB's 2024 Further Education and Training Fair in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny on Wednesday 28th February, from 7.00-9.00pm and Thursday 29th February from 10am to 2pm. The Fair is free and open to everyone who would like information on the wide range of full time, part-time, evening and online education and training opportunities offered by Donegal ETB's FET Service. Tutors and advisers will be available to talk through the ETB's comprehensive range of opportunities.

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024 will depart from Derry on Monday 27 May for four nights. The cost is €835 per person in the Agena Hotel or €879 per person in the Panorama Hotel. There is a single room supplement of €39 per night. All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours directly on 01 2410800. Anyone wishing to travel with the Special Assisted Section should apply in writing to: Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Parochial House, Milford, Co Donegal, F92 W5C8. Email lourdes@raphoediocese.ie or phone 074 9153236 for further information. The assisted/sick section is accommodated at the Accueil. Acceptance for travel with the special section for the sick is subject to approval of the Raphoe Pilgrimage Medical Board.

There is a Holy Hour which focuses on Divine Mercy every Monday at 7pm in St Eunan's Church, Raphoe

This Lent, ask Christ to walk with you in your shoes so that you may realise how close God is.