



St. Eunan's Church,



St. Patrick's Church,



St. Mary's Church,
Convoy

RAPHOE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Monday

Raphoe: 7.30am Morning Prayer

Raphoe: 9am: Mass

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

Drumkeen: Adoration: Noon– 9pm

Raphoe: 7.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday:

Raphoe: 7.30am Morning Prayer

Convoy: 9am Mass

Raphoe: Adoration: 9.30am – 8pm

Convoy: 8pm: Parish of Raphoe Committee

Thursday

Raphoe: 7.30am Morning Prayer

Raphoe: 9am Mass

Drumkeen: 10am Mass (Hugh and Ellen McNamee RIP)

Convoy: Noon—6pm: Adoration

Raphoe: 7.30pm Evening Prayer

Convoy: Parochial House: 8pm: Legion of Mary

Friday

Raphoe: 7.30am Morning Prayer

Convoy: 9am Mass

Raphoe: 7.30pm Mass

Saturday

Convoy: 9.30am-10.30am: Divine Mercy Devotions

Convoy: 10.30am: Confessions

Raphoe: 1pm: Baptism

Raphoe: 2pm: Baptism

Convoy: 6pm: Mass (Roseleen Houston; Fergus McGill RIP)

Drumkeen: 7.30pm: Mass

Drumkeen: after Mass: Confessions

Raphoe: 7.30pm Mass (Jim and Agnes O'Neill; Christina McMonagle RIP)

Raphoe: after Mass: Confessions

Sunday

Convoy: 9.30am: Mass

Drumkeen: 9.30am Mass

Raphoe: 11am: Mass (Richie Barron RIP)

SURELY HE DOES PROTEST TOO MUCH

A most amazing phenomena today is falseness. We all seem to shout 'we want the truth' and 'I am a person of principles and demand the truth'. Yet the truth is that we are not truthful. Only two people reported themselves for speeding last year. The young lady is covered in so much make-up that her Dad is not sure of her and we say 'oh how natural'. The film is marked '18' but we would not mention that to the fifteen-year-old. The list that the taxman does not need to know about gets longer. Our knowledge about the damage cocaine does is increasing but so too is our use. The game is marked 'over 16 only' but we are silent in front of the fourteen-year-old playing it. There are guidelines to keep us safe but we turn a blind eye. It is a common boast that 'there is no way I would pay an envelope, but when I need it there better be a grave available'. The reporters exaggerate so much that every player on the winning side were brilliant and all on losing side were useless.

Maybe today I will reflect on truth and see if my version has any lasting value.

The Relics of St Bernadette Soubirous of Lourdes are being brought to St Eunan's Cathedral on 11, 12 and 13 October. Please see the notice board. There will be night vigils. If any group would like to lead the prayer for a particular hour, the organising committee would love you to phone them through the Cathedral parish office 074 9121021. Help will also be required with stewarding and hospitality tent. You may also phone Ciaran on 0860870446

Income: Raphoe collection €1120; candles €190; Drumkeen collection €590; candles €65; Convoy collection €895; candles € 145

There will be a Mary's Meals clearance sale in St Mary's Hall, Convoy on Saturday 12 October from 11am to 2pm. There will be all sorts of goodies to go including furniture, tools, brick-a-brack, jewellery, arts and craft and lots more. You are invited not to miss a bargain.

I read recipes the same way I read science fiction. I get to the end and I think, "Well, that is not going to happen."

There will be a special First Saturdays Conference on Saturday, 12 October (10am to 4pm) in the Firgrove Hotel in Mitchelstown. Sr Lucia of Fatima explained the importance of this devotion by saying that whether there is peace or war in the world depends on the practise of this devotion. We sure live in very turbulent and troubled times. There will be Mass and four speakers: Dr Katrina Layden, Fr Jaimie Twohig, Christine O'Hara and Fr Marius O'Reilly. We will also pray the Rosary, and do the 15 minute meditation together. Bring your own lunch or eat in the hotel carvery. For more details see firstsaturdays.ie

Cursillo is a lay movement within the Catholic Church which celebrates God's great love for us. The dates of the next Cursillo weekends are Men 24 to 27 October and Women 31 of October to 3 November. The weekend is held in Ards Friary in Creeslough and is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on life in faith. For more information or to book a place please contact Pat on 087 9374001 or Clare on 087 1375567

Special Donegal Pilgrimage (Limited availability) to Fatima EX Dublin Easter 2025, Flying with TAP Airlines, Also 13 June 2025 for Feast of Saint Anthony, 13 October 2025 for Miracle of Sun. Call James Treacy 061921470
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ABIDE in His Love Women's Conference: 15-17 November 2024: The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran will host the ABIDE Conference with guest speakers including Lisa Cotter (Denver, Colorado), the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr. Barry Braum (London), Kathleen Nichols & Celine Kelly (Magdala, Israel), Bishop Kevin Doran (Elphin), Catherine DiNuzzo (Kansas), and Fr. Joseph Mary Deane, CFR, among others. This conference will celebrate the beauty and dignity of women in the Church and the world today. It offers a wonderful opportunity to form new friendships, be uplifted by powerful talks, and experience the transformative presence of Christ in the Eucharist. To register, visit Eventbrite.ie and search for "Abide in His Love." Further information, including accommodation details, will be sent via email upon registration.

Why do they lock the toilets at petrol stations? Are they afraid someone will clean them?

The parish of Urney and Castlefinn will be having 40 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Mary's Church Castlefinn starting with Holy Mass at 12am midnight on Saturday 12 October to Sunday 13 October finishing with Benediction at 4pm.

I like long walks, especially when they are taken by people who annoy me.

Every generation has its problems as does every society. This leaves us with little excuse for not giving our hearts to Jesus. Every age and every culture have its difficulties. This makes it difficult to continue to pretend that there is another Saviour. Today, in your situation, in your personality, you are invited to give your heart to Jesus.

The Olive Branch for Children is a charity that helps remote communities in Tanzania assess their primary needs and establishes programs that target the most vulnerable in those communities. We focus on community health care, HIV/AIDS prevention and care, early childhood education, academic support, food security, environmental issues, gender equality, and vulnerable children and women. The goal is to establish community-led programs that empower remote communities and generate models that can be replicated in communities throughout Tanzania and elsewhere. Local woman, Lily Corry, Physiotherapy student in RCSI that recently visited Tanzania to work with TOBFC. will speak about this charity this weekend.

.... I understand that you feel under pressure but lots of people are under pressure. Presently there are wars and violent conflict in Cyprus, Egypt, Iraq, Israel, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Turkey, Yemen, Western Sahara, Bukina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Mali, Moxambique, Nigeria, Senegal, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Afghanistan, India, Myanmar, the Philippines,