



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

Thursday

Raphoe: 7.30am Morning Prayer

Drumkeen: 10am Mass

Raphoe: Noon: Mass with Deelee College

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

Convoy: 6pm: Mass (Joe and Myra McMenamin RIP)

Drumkeen: 7.30pm: Mass (Bernadette McGee RIP)

Drumkeen: after Mass: Confessions

Raphoe: 7.30pm Mass (Emily McGahan RIP)

Raphoe: after Mass: Confessions

Sunday

Convoy: 9.30am: Mass

Drumkeen: 9.30am Mass

Raphoe: 11am: Mass (Donal Duffy, Eddie Duffy, Gerry

Judge, Deceased members of the Judge, Garvin and

Murray Family RIP)

Drumkeen: 1pm Latin: Mass

Raphoe: 7pm: October Devotions

FAMILY CONSECRATION

O Jesus, behold our family prostrate before you. Once more do we consecrate ourselves to you, our trials and our joys, that our home like thine may ever be a shrine of peace, purity, love labour and faith. Do thou protect and bless all of us, absent and present, living and dead.

O Mary loving mother of Jesus and our Mother, pray to Jesus for our family and for all the families of the world, to guard the cradle of the new born, the schools, the young and the vocations.

O Joseph, holy guardian of Jesus and Mary assist us by your prayers in all the necessities of life. Ask of Jesus that special grace which he granted to you to watch over our homes, to be at the pillow of the sick and the dying so that with Mary and with you, help us to find our family unbroken in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Amen.

Income: Raphoe collection €1045; candles €165; Drumkeen collection €640; candles €90; Convoy collection €985; candles €120

Fr Kelly will visit our "First Friday People" in Drumkeen on Tuesday 5 November, in Convoy on Wednesday 6 November and in Raphoe on Thursday 7 November. If you have a friend or relation who would like a visit, please let us know.

There is some work being carried out in the parish at the moment: the windows in Drumkeen Church are being double glazed, the area around Drumkeen hall will be concreted, the sanctuary in St Eunan's is being somewhat remoulded with seating around the wall, the placing of the original statues of St Joseph and Our Lady going beside the tabernacle, the baptismal font being moved in front of the lectern, the sacristy being done up and modernised, and the conservatory at St Columba's Parish House is being replaced. After this work is completed the porch in Raphoe will be improved, proper notice boards installed, the Church and porch will be made wheelchair accessible and the parish hall at Drumkeen painted.

Our sincere thanks to all who participated in the St Faustina Weekend.

The Olive Branch for Children Charity sincerely thanks everyone for supporting the charity last weekend. €1,614.20 was donated to the charity.

If everything seems to be coming your way, you're probably in the wrong lane.

At Ards Friary: Joy Of Samhain Retreat. Friday 8 November to Sunday 10 November. Music, poetry, and nature will carry you gently into this celebration. Inviting you to experience all of this in your own body as it discovers the past, present and future, in a manner that cultivates a creativity that invites us into the next phase of our journey. Facilitated by Deirdre Ni Chinneide, Fr Philip Baxter and John Keane. Cost €280. For enquiries and bookings contact Ards T: 00353 74 913 8909. E: info@ardsfriary.ie.

Omagh Charismatic Prayer Group: A Day of Prayer, Praise and Healing will take place in Mellon Country Hotel, Omagh on Sunday 10 November. Registration from 9.30am followed by Holy Mass in the afternoon. Booking by Sunday 3rd November. Contact 07876411435 or 07596609041.

There will be a Pilgrimage to Krakow - Ex-Dublin flights with Ryanair direct to Krakow €995pps from 20 to 26 August 2025. Contact Myriam tours on 00353 57 93 55050 or info@myriam.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

The probability of someone watching you is proportional to the stupidity of your action.

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 and 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](https://eventbrite.ie) and search for "Abide in His Love." Further information, including accommodation details, will be sent via email upon registration.

Not all exciting things are good for you.

There will be an 'Explore Alpha' conference in St. Patrick's Parish Centre, Donegal Town on Saturday 18 January 2025 which will be hosted by Alpha Ireland. (Times will be confirmed shortly) The purpose of this event is to explain to parishes exactly what Alpha is about and how to run it in the parish. Alpha is a 10-week course exploring the basics of the Christian faith. It is the perfect place to discuss life's big questions in a friendly, open, and informal environment while at the same time helping people to discover God in a deeper way. To learn more about Alpha in the meantime visit <https://alphaireland.org/>. You can also watch a short testimony on Alpha from former Republic of Ireland footballer, Keith Fahey - <https://vimeo.com/739973716>

A cement mixer collided with a prison van. Motorists are asked to be on the lookout for ten hardened criminals.

Many ordinary people came to Jesus, to see what kind of person he was, to examine for themselves if the rumours about him were to be accepted or not. We hear often that great crowds followed him, listened to him, were amazed by him. Not everybody had a need to be healed, nor did everybody have a pressing question for him. But all gathered around him to decide for themselves: is he the one that could give me life beyond the grave?

The great big questions are never far from the human that is alive. Everybody needs to make a living, and everybody needs to put food on the table. But 'where do human beings come from?' and 'what happens when breathing stops', remain massive questions for all. Today, no matter what our relationship with God has been, we are invited to sit with Jesus and come alive to life. Goggle does not have the final answerer but Jesus does.