

The postponed **COFFEE MORNING** in aid of Precious School (Fr. Jacob) will now be held on **Wednesday 6th January after the 10 am Mass** in the Cathedral Conference Room. Your support would be appreciated.

CATHEDRAL CLEANING

The environment in which we worship in is very important. It is no accident that our Cathedral is always kept to a high standard. This is largely due to the dedication of a small number of people, women and men, who clean the church and also our Altar Society Members. A sincere word of thanks to each one of you. This involves hoovering, dusting, cleaning glass and cleaning the brasses etc. This is a big job and **more volunteers are urgently needed** to share the workload. Please phone the Parochial House if you can help out.

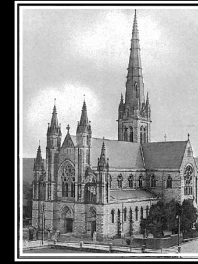
Would you like the **PILGRIM IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY** to visit you home during this Year of Mercy? If yes, please phone the Parochial House on 9121021 and leave your name, address and phone number.

The Letterkenny Rotary Club Christmas Tree of Remembrance **ECUMENICAL SERVICE** with Blessing of Ribbons will take place on Sunday 10th January at 4 pm in St. Eunan's Cathedral.

26th April 2016, will mark the 150th Anniversary of the restoration to public devotion of the original Icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help in the Church of St. Alphonsus in Rome. For 300 years, the Icon was venerated on this site, in the Church of St. Matthew. In 1798, as a result of war and persecution in Rome, the Church of St. Matthew was severely damaged, subsequently levelled. The Icon was taken by the Augustinians to their monastery chapel at St. Mary's in Posterula. However, on 26th April 1866, the Icon was again restored to public veneration in St. Alphonsus Church. Pope Pius IX entrusted her to Fr. Nicholas Mauron, Superior General of the Redemptorists, with these words: "Make her known to the world". Redemptorists and missionaries have certainly taken these words of the Holy Father to heart, and Our Mother of Perpetual Help is now one of the best-known and best-loved images of Mary worldwide.



We will welcome the 'Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help' to St. Eunan's Cathedral on Friday 5th May as part of our 'Year of Mercy' celebrations and we will venerate the Icon throughout the night, with prayer, song and adoration. More details in the coming months.



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 3rd January 2016

Second Sunday of Christmas

THANKS TO ALL



As we begin this New Year, it is only right and fitting to express our deep gratitude to the many people, groups and organisations in our Parish who carry out various ministries on a daily basis in the Cathedral, in our Graveyards, in St. Pius X Adoration Chapel, in the Parochial House and in the Raphoe Diocesan Pastoral Centre based here in Letterkenny. Thanks to each person for the giving of your time and for your continued commitment.

Bishop Boyce, Fr. Kelly, Fr. McLaughlin and Fr. Kemmy say a sincere word of thanks for your kindness, support and encouragement throughout the year. We are delighted to have Fr. Brady helping out in our Parish during his recuperation from illness.

We were blessed with the Ordination in the Cathedral of Fr. Brendan Ward for our Diocese. We thank God for him and we pray that other young men will hear and answer the call to follow in Christ's footsteps.

With this beautiful building comes the never-ending task of maintenance. Without your financial support on a weekly basis, it would be impossible to maintain the Cathedral, our Graveyards and the overall running of the Parish. We thank all who contribute to the Parish by using a weekly envelope, having a standing order, placing coins/notes in the basket, completing CHY 3 forms and by donations. We encourage all wage earners to contribute to the upkeep of the Parish.

So at the start of this year, we give thanks to God for all that Jesus Christ has done in our lives and all that he will continue to do. We pray that the Christ Child will always be close to us and that we will always be faithful to Him and His call to us.

Fr. Eamonn Kelly Adm.

PRIEST ON DUTY ~ PLEASE PHONE ~ 9121021

SUNDAY 3rd January

Masses ~ 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon, 5 pm (Polish) and 6.30 pm
Baptisms in the Cathedral - 1.30 pm
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open at **1 pm**
Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8 pm
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am and 8.30 pm

Monday 4th January

8 am Mass ~ May McCarron
10 am Mass ~ Raymond Cassidy
7.30 pm Mass ~ Paul Gallagher
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
CONFESSIONS: 8 pm
Grow Meeting in the Cheshire Apartments, Long Lane - 8 pm
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Morning Prayer (9.40 am)
(Monday to Saturday)
Evening Prayer (7.10 pm)
(Monday to Friday)

Tuesday 5th January ~ St. Charles of Mount Argus

8 am Mass ~ Anthony and Kathleen Cullen
10 am Mass ~ Fr. Harry Allison
7.30 pm Mass ~ Vigil Mass
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Legion of Mary Meeting: Conference Room - After 10 am Mass
Legion of Mary Meeting: in the Parochial House - 7 pm
Divine Mercy Prayer Group in the Crib Room - 8 pm
Baptism Preparation in the Parochial House on Tuesday 12th January at 8 pm
Gamblers' Anonymous Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.15 pm
Al-Anon Meeting and AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Wednesday 6th January ~ Feast of the Epiphany

Mass Times: 8 am, 10 am, 5.45 pm and 7.30 pm

St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Mother's Prayer Group Meeting in the Conference Room - 7 pm
Cathedral Choir Practice in the Conference Room - 8 pm
Mother's Prayer Group Meeting in Loreto Convent - 8 pm

St. Vincent de Paul ~ Parish of Conwal and Leck ~ 9129503
St. Vincent de Paul ~ Parish of Aughanishin ~ 9122366

BOXES OF SUNDAY ENVELOPES ~ There is a number of Boxes of Envelopes sitting at the back of the Cathedral if anyone would like to take one. Please fill out the little card inside and return it with your first envelope.

Thursday 7th January ~ St. Raymond of Penafort

8 am Mass ~ James Gallagher
10 am Mass ~ ®
7.30 pm Mass ~ Packie Harkin
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Fr. McLaughlin will visit his the Sick, Elderly and Housebound today
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm
Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room - 8 pm

Friday 8th January

8 am Mass ~ Anna Rimmer
10 am Mass ~ John Geary
1 pm ~ Nuptial
7.30 pm Mass ~ Frank Browne, Nora Browne, Joe Boyle, Nan Boyle, Barney Boyle, Charlie Boyle, Patricia Margey, Eamonn Duddy, Joan McGranaghan and Doreen Houston
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Fr. McLaughlin will visit the Sick, Elderly and Housebound today
AA Meeting for Women in the Cathedral Conference Room - 1 pm
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm
Gamblers' Anonymous Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.15 pm

Saturday 9th January

10 am Mass ~ Willie McBrearty (**First Anniversary**), Tommy McBrearty and Elizabeth McBrearty
7.30 pm ~ Vigil Mass
Confessions: 12 noon to 1 pm and after the 7.30 pm Mass
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am
Narcotics Anonymous Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday (9.30 am - 4.30 pm)



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GUIDE US TO THY PERFECT LIGHT

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.