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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 21st August - €5,127 PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €5,355.24

SACRED VESTMENTS: €549 DONATIONS ~ 1 x €600

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We deeply appreciate your continued Spiritual and Financial support.

To BOOK A BAPTISM please phone the Parochial House on 9121021. Please remember: Godparents: (1 male and 1 female over the age of 16).

BAPTISM PREPARATION ~ We have uploaded a number of videos under 'Featured Videos' for Parents, in Preparation for their child's Baptism on our website: www.steunanscathedral.ie

A TRIDUUM IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST OF ST. PADRE

PIO (St. Pio of Pietrelcina) will take place at the Franciscan Friary, Rosnowlagh from Tuesday 20th until Friday 23rd September. There will be Mass, Homily and Blessing with his Mitten at 7.30 pm each evening. Preacher will be Fr. Pius McLaughlin OFM., who met Padre Pio. All are very welcome.

RAINBOWS IRELAND, Letterkenny - applications for the Rainbows programme are now open for the 2022/23 year. Rainbows is a 9-week support programme for children aged 6-12 years old (1st - 6th class) who have been affected by bereavement or separation in the family. To reserve a place and receive an application form please contact the Pastoral Centre: 074 9121853 or email pastoralcentre@raphoediocese.ie For more information on the Rainbows Ireland programme visit www.rainbowsireland.ie

Letterkenny Community Centre is currently recruiting for a **RECEPTIONIST, LEISURE ASSISTANT, CARETAKER, AND GYM INSTRUCTOR** for its Community Employment Programme. For information: visit www.jobsireland.ie, speak to your social welfare case officer, or call 085 8570073.

ONE DAY RETREATS have resumed on **Lough Derg**, and continue on selected dates until the end of September: August 28th & 29th/September 3rd, 7th, 10th, 13th, 17th, 18th, 24th & 25th. Booking is essential. Admission fee of €45pp includes all refreshments, lunch, return boat service, full retreat programme, free car & coach parking. Boats available from 9.15 am on the day; retreat begins at 10.30am until 4.30 pm. For booking and further information: Phone: 071 9861518 or visit: www.loughderg.or email: info@loughderg.org

There will be a **CAR BOOT SALE** at Frosses Hall on **Saturday 3rd September** (9.30 am until 2 pm) to help support the work of Mary's Meals. Now feeding over two million children every school day, Mary's Meals deeply appreciates your support.



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER Sunday 28th August 2022

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE MASS - SACRED DIALOGUE

The greeting of the celebrant to the people can be one of a number. That used most commonly is, "The Lord be with you", to which the people respond: "And with your Spirit". This greeting and response has been in use in the Church's liturgy since the second century – therefore practically from the beginning. It is the first greeting between priest and people, and indicates that the sacred dialogue between the two is not a banal conversation, but a sacred exchange by which both priest and people become conscious of standing in God's presence and participating in something much greater than themselves. They recognise that the Holy Spirit is the active agent who animates the whole liturgical action, and that it addresses the soul of each member of the faithful, and of the whole ecclesial body gathered together in the particular time and place in which the Mass is being celebrated.

In fact, the renewal of the liturgy desired by the Second Vatican Council foresaw the restitution of the sacred dialogue of the Mass as it had been in earlier times. This had been less in evidence when the server alone answered the priest; now, the whole congregation is called upon to enter into the sacred dialogue of the Mass and thereby to manifest the "full, active and conscious participation" desired by the Council (cf. Sacrosanctum Concilium 14). This type of participation is not about activity but "intentional" presence, real attention and the participation of the whole person in the sacred liturgy. Where certain actions are called upon and necessary, they remain secondary to the 'spirit' that should be found in the whole congregation that is present at prayer. To the degree to which each individual person makes themselves present fully and participates consciously in the liturgical action, to the same extent the celebration becomes a more efficacious manifestation of the work of the Spirit that is underway.

This sacred dialogue continues in the other "responses" of the Mass – all those prayers said together with the celebrant or in response to his liturgical greetings. It is easy to see how the personal remarks of a celebrant, while they have their place, cannot really compare with the sacred conversation that belongs to the action of the whole Church and which is made present in the particular celebration.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We are delighted that the Children's Choir will recommence on the second Sunday of the Month for the Family Mass, beginning Sunday 11th September at the 10 am Mass. We invite children from 3rd class upwards who are interested in joining our Children's Choir to please contact Toni on 087-7830199. Practice for the Children's Choir will take place on Wednesday 31st August from 3 pm - 4 pm in the Cathedral Conference Room.



RENOWNED SCRIPTURE SCHOLAR SPEAKS IN LETTERKENNY

International Bible Teacher, Author, and Conference Speaker: Terry Quinn will give **TALKS** in the **Divine Mercy Centre**, **Letterkenny** on **Friday 2nd (7 pm - 9 pm) and Saturday 3rd September (10.30 am - 5 pm).** The emphasis will be on the power of scripture and how it speaks to us. For further information and to book, please phone 9169934 or email: dvmletterkenny@gmail.com

A **FUNDRAISING EVENT** will take place on Friday 2nd September in the Station House Hotel at 8 pm in memory of the late Carrie Harvey RIP. This will be a ticketed event and tickets can be obtained from the Donegal Hospice Office or the Station House Hotel or donations can be given via: https://www.idonate.ie/Dancingthroughthedecades ~ ALL proceeds will be given to the Donegal Hospice.

LETTERKENNY MEMORIES will take place in the Station House Hotel on **Monday 29th August** at 8 pm. Special Guests: Syndicate Showband, Buncrana. Admission is free and light refreshments will be served.

A **BUS TO KNOCK SHRINE** will leave Letterkenny on **Saturday 3rd September** stopping at Ballybofey, Donegal Town and Ballyshannon enroute. To book please phone 087-7530132.

THE MIRACLES OF THE EUCHARIST ~ The Community of Kincasslagh Parish invite you to join with them in THREE DAYS OF PRAYER WITH THE RELIC OF BL. CARLO ACUTIS on the 15th, 16th and 17th September at St. Columba's Church, Burtonport and St. Columba's Community Centre, Burtonport. Fr. Darren Maslen, Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, will conduct the three days of prayer concentrating on Carlo's study of Eucharistic Miracles. There will be a prayerful exhibition of the same in the Community Centre during these days. All are welcome. SCHEDULE: Thursday and Friday ~ 10 am: Mass/Talk/Blessing with Relic; Adoration: 11 am - 1 pm and 2 pm - 7 pm; 3 pm: Benediction; 7 pm: Holy Hour. Exhibition in the Hall: 11 am - 1 pm and 2 pm - 7 pm. SCHEDULE: Saturday ~ 12 noon: Opening Prayer/Talk/Blessing with Relic; Adoration: 12 noon - 6 pm; Benediction: 3 pm; 6.30 pm: Mass/Talk/Blessing with Relic. Exhibition in the Hall: 12 noon - 8 pm.

ANAM CARA Donegal, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Thursday 8th September** at 7.15pm in the Raddison Blu, Letterkenny. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. Please contact us on 085 288 8888/info@anamcara.ie for further information.

Sunday 28th August ~ Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm

Monday 29th August ~ The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8 am Mass ~ Anton, Margaret and Peter Browne RIP 10 am Mass ~ Eileen Browne RIP

Tuesday 30th August ~ St. Fiachre, monk

8 am Mass ~ Special Intention 10 am Mass ~ Dan Gallagher RIP 6 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions

Wednesday 31st August ~ St. Aidan of Lindisfarne

8 am Mass ~ Mass of Thanksgiving 10 am Mass ~ Special Intention Confessions ~ 7.30 pm

Thursday 1st September

8 am Mass ~ Ben O'Donnell RIP
10 am Mass ~ John and Elizabeth Bond RIP
Confessions: 12 noon - 1 pm
8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room

Friday 2nd September

8 am Mass ~ Dolores McIntyre RIP
10 am Mass ~ Anton and Madge Gallagher RIP
1 pm - Nuptial
7 pm Mass ~ Eileen Boyle (First Anniversary), Bernard McGlynn (First Anniversary), Fiona Doherty, Willie John Price, Margaret Price, Jim Price, Margaret Price, Séan Kyles, Pat Foy and Agnes Foy RIP

Saturday 3rd September ~ St. Gregory the Great

10 am Mass ~ Bride McAuley RIP (Month's Mind Mass)
4 pm ~ Baptisms
6 pm ~ Vigil Mass
Confessions ~ After 6 pm Mass

Sunday 4th September ~ Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm 2.30 pm ~ Baptisms

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MASS FOR EXPECTANT FAMILIES will take place in St. Eunan's Cathedral on **Tuesday 11th October** at 7 pm with Bishop Alan McGuckian.