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# SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 11th August- $\[ \epsilon 4,729 \]$ PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ $\[ \epsilon 10,054.20 \]$ DONATIONS ~ $\[ 1 \]$ x $\[ \epsilon 70 \]$

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church 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).

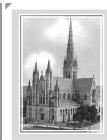
**BAPTISM PREPARATION** ~ We have uploaded a number of videos under 'Featured Videos' for Parents, in Preparation for their child's Baptism on our website: www.steunanscathedral.ie

**BREAKTHROUGH CANCER RESEARCH** are a Cork-based charity, funding innovative cancer research in Ireland and internationally. We will hold a **BUCKET COLLECTION** on **Thursday 19th September**. **Volunteers are needed**. If you can give a hour of your time, please phone Edel on 0214226655.

The **SMA COMMUNITY** welcomes our Supporters and friends to a **Weekend Retreat and Reflection**, which will be an opportunity to take time aside in the tranquil and relaxed setting of Dromantine from **Friday 27th (4.30pm)** – **Sunday 29th September (2 pm)**. Mass each day at the Novena in honour of St. Thérése. The Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated during the weekend.

**CURSILLO** is a movement of ordinary lay women and men who share their faith in their everyday lives, bringing the love and hope of Jesus into ordinary events. The joy of the Good News that God loves us, irrespective of who we are or what we have done, is central to the Cursillo weekend. It is expressed through talks, discussions, prayer, laughter and friendship. Up coming weekends in Ards Friary, Creeslough: **Men's weekend 24th - 27th October; Women's weekend 31st October - 3rd November** under the direction of Fr. Laurence Kettle. If you would like more information please contact Martina on 087-3749024 or Pat on 087-9374001.

PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL (October 23rd — November 2nd 2024). Experience a 10 night/11 day pilgrimage covering all major sites associated with St. Paul, including an overnight stay on the island of Patmos where St. John wrote the Book of Revelation. Spiritual Director: Fr. Joseph Mary Deane, CFR. Cost: €2,040 (Land-only). Please contact Angela at 089-2107277 or email: stpaul2024@proton.me for further information.



## ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 18th August 2024
Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

#### **THANK YOU**

- A word of thanks to the Parish Pastoral Council and Friends for organising a very enjoyable and 'faith-filled afternoon and evening' on Thursday 15th August.
- We thank the Knights of St. Columbanus for their assistance with stewarding on route to the Mass Rock at Rodger's Burn and indeed at Rodger's Burn.
- We thank everyone involved in the preparation of Rodger's Burn over the past number of weeks. To those who mowed the grass; prepared the actual Mass Rock and surrounds; access to the field; erecting signage etc. we are so thankful for all your work.
- Sincere thanks to Alcorns, Arena 7, Century Cinema, Four Lanterns and McDonalds for sponsoring Treasure Hunt prizes.

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CATHEDRAL**

We take this opportunity to **THANK** everyone who financially supports the Cathedral - on a regular basis, a yearly basis, or by donations. Without your support we would not be able to keep up the maintenance on the Cathedral, Parochial House, Parish Graveyards etc.

We thank everyone who uses the weekly 'Church Envelopes'. A number of people retrieved a box from the back of the Cathedral in early January - but in the following cases we have **NO NAME to put against the 'Envelope Number'**. Numbers include: 551, 552, 555, 556, 557, 559, 562, 563, 565, 569, 570,571, 573,577, 581,582, 584, 585,587, 592, 594, 599, 601, 602, 603, 604, 610, 615, 633, 639, 645, 652. If you use one of these envelopes, please put your name inside the next envelope.

Over the last number of years, donating online/electronically has become something of a norm. Once again, we thank everyone who donates by this means. In relation to this way of contributing, we urge you to please **use your full name**, this will then be shown on the Cathedral Bank Statements. Currently, we have 'Sent by Revolut', 'First name only'; '56668632'; 'No. 1 Account'; appearing regularly on the Bank Statements but no actual name of the Donor!!

FRIENDS OF ARDS FRIARY are organising a CHURCH GATE COLLECTION (Countywide) on Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th August in aid of the 'Ards Redevelopment Fund'. Your support would be deeply appreciated

**LETTERKENNY CATHEDRAL QUARTER** is launching its **TENTH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE BOOKLET** in Dillon's Hotel on **Friday**, **23rd August** at 8 pm. Music by Evelyn Gallagher/Maria McCormick. All welcome.

**'FAN THE SPARK' CONFERENCE** for Young Adults (18-40) will take place on Saturday 24th August from 9.30 am - 5.30 pm in De Montfort House, Morning Star Avenue, Brunswick St., Dublin. Cost €15. Talks on art, faith, tour of Frank Duff's House, Mass, Adoration etc. Email: deusetpatria@gmail.com for info.

The **DONEGAL HALF MARATHON** will take place on Sunday 25th August starting at 9.20 am on Conwal Straight coming in Ballymacool, along Pearse Road, out Port Road, in Neil Blaney Road, Paddy Harte Road, over Oldtown Bridge out Crieve Road through New Mills on to Rashedoge and returning to Letterkenny along main Churchill Road, finishing at the Aura Leisure Centre. The initial loop of the town should be finished by 10.10 am. Traffic management will be in place between the hours of 9 am and 12 noon around the town centre and Newmills/Conwal so please plan for some delays.

From Wednesday 4th September, we will continue the online **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** programmes on Zoom. This was a great success back in May and there has been increased demand for it from more parishes and parishioners around the Diocese. We will run this on a continuous basis throughout the year exploring various courses. Phone the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on 0749121853 for details.

The **DIOCESAN MASS FOR EXPECTANT FAMILIES** will take place in St. Eunan's Cathedral on **Thursday 5th September** at 7 pm. Celebrant: Monsignor Kevin Gillespie, Diocesan Administrator. "It was you who created my inmost part and knit me together in my mother's womb".

The national **CURSILLO PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE** will take place on **Saturday 7th September**. There will be a bus leaving Letterkenny at 8 am, stopping in Stranorlar, Donegal Town, Ballyshannon and Bundoran. To book a seat please contact Clare on 0871375567.

**'SING 550'** ~ To celebrate **Donegal Town's 550 Anniversary** - 550 singers are invited to a **'BIG SING EVENT'** in St. Agatha's Church, Clar on **Sunday 22nd September.** Register interest on Event Brite - sing 550; Registration fee: €5.50. Over 18's only. No experience necessary- just a love of singing!

The **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) for those wishing to be formed for entry to the Catholic Church will begin on **Monday 16th September** at the Pastoral Centre, Letterkenny and will continue each Monday evening for 23 weeks. For further details, please contact Brian at: dpr@raphoediocese.ie or 0749121853.

**DIVINE MERCY CENTRE, LETTERKENNY** ~ Phone: 0749169934

#### Sunday 18th August ~ Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

#### Monday 19th August ~ St. John Eudes, priest

8 am Mass ~ Bridget McLaughlin RIP 10 am Mass ~ Girlie Gallagher RIP (First Anniversary)

#### Tuesday 20th August ~ St. Bernard, abbot & doctor of the Church

8 am Mass ~ Joe Phelan RIP 10 am Mass ~ Special Intention 6 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions

#### Wednesday 21st August ~ St. Pius X, pope

8 am Mass ~ Mary Geoghegan RIP 10 am Mass ~ Priest's Intention Confessions: 7.30 pm

#### Thursday 22nd August ~ The Queenship of Mary

8 am Mass ~ Doreen G. Ryan RIP
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention
8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room

#### Friday 23rd August ~ St. Rose of Lima, virgin & St. Eugene, bishop

8 am Mass ~ Eileen O'Doherty and Deceased Family Members RIP

0 am Mass ~ Pat Tobin RIP

7 **pm Mass** ~ Eileen O'Doherty, Kathleen McCauley, Frances Gallagher, Phyllis Hegarty, Brigid Friel, Mason Anderson, James Ferry, George McLaughlin and Fiona McLaughlin RIP

#### Saturday 24th August ~ St. Bartholomew, Apostle

10 am Mass ~ Claire Hannigan RIP (First Anniversary)

**Confessions** ~ 12 noon - 1 pm and 7 pm

Baptisms ~ 3 pm

Vigil Mass ~ 6 pm

### Sunday 25th August ~ Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

St. Vincent de Paul Letterkenny: 9129503/9122366 We Care – Letterkenny Food Bank: 087-1471325