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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 1st December - €5,563 PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €6,349.15 DONATIONS TO THE CATHEDRAL: 1 x €250; 1 x €150, 1 x €100, 1 x €30 and (1 x €50 towards the Cathedral Christmas Flowers) 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

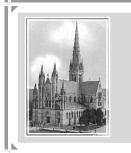
The **Donegal Carers Association CLG** would like to **THANK** everyone who supported their recent Church Gate Collection at the Cathedral and Church of the Irish Martyrs which raised $\in 1,555.34$. This money goes a long way to fund support meetings, outings for family Carers at a reduced price and Fetac Level 5 training.

SIGNED MASS CARDS are available from the **PARISH OFFICE AND SACRISTY** (Monday to Friday) for various occasions - Christmas, Sympathy, Mass for Your Intentions, Birthday, Get Well, Thinking of You, Wedding Day, Silver/ Golden Wedding Anniversary, Special Occasion, Retirement, Exams, First Anniversary (RIP) and Anniversary of a death. The recommended Mass offering in the Diocese is $\notin 10$ and the card is $\notin 1$.

PILGRIMAGE TO KRAKOW, POLAND (20th - 26th August 2025) ~ Pilgrimage director: Fr. Eamonn Kelly. Cost: €995 pps, please contact Kieran or Laura on 0579355050 or email: info@myriam.ie (Full details on the Cathedral noticeboard)

ADVANCE NOTICE ~ CHRISTMAS CONFESSION TIMES

Wednesday 18th December: 10.30 am - 12 noon and 7.30 pm Thursday 19th December: 10.30 am - 12 noon and 7.30 pm Friday 20th December: 10.30 am - 12 noon and 7.30 pm Saturday 21st December: 10.30 am - 5 pm and 7 pm Sunday 22nd December: 2.30 pm - 5 pm Monday 23rd December: 10.30 am - 1 pm and 7 pm (If there is a Funeral Mass at 11 am on any of the above dates Confessions will be from 12 noon - 1 pm)



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER Sunday 8th December 2024 Second Sunday of Advent

Please join us to celebrate **'BAMBINELLI SUNDAY'** at Masses next **Sunday, 15th December**. Children/Adults are invited to bring along their 'Baby Jesus' crib figure from their homes to Mass for a special blessing. They will then take them home in preparation for placing them in the Crib on Christmas Eve.

ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL CAROL SERVICE

The Cathedral Carol Service will take place on **Sunday 15th December** at 7.30 pm. A practice for all Choirs/Soloists will take place on **Saturday 14th December at in the Cathedral at 2.30 pm**.

ST. PIUS X ADORATION CHAPEL

Speak Lord your servant is listening: Would you consider doing **ONE HOUR OF ADORATION** in the St. Pius X Adoration Chapel, (situated on the grounds of Loreto Secondary School) which has round the clock Adoration from 1 pm on a Sunday until 8 pm on a Friday? **Can you give one hour of your week to spend in quiet prayer and listen to the Lord?** We need more committed adorers - that is, someone who will be there faithfully every week (or someone in your place) at an hour suitable to you. The following hours are in need of committed adorers: **Monday: 12 noon – 1 pm**; **Tuesday: 12 noon – 1 pm and Tuesday: 11 pm – 12 midnight; Wednesday: 12 noon – 1 pm and Wednesday 7 pm - 8 pm; Thursday: 2 pm – 3 pm and Thursday 4 pm – 5 pm. Please phone: 086-0870446**.

BOXES OF CHURCH ENVELOPES ARE READY FOR COLLECTION ~ If you delivered the boxes of envelopes in previous years, we would appreciate your help once again this year. If you attend the Cathedral on a regular basis and would like to **RECEIVE A BOX of Cathedral Envelopes for 2025** OR perhaps you would like to set up a Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office on 0749121021.

PLEASE NOTE ~ There will be **NO ACCESS TO THE RAMP AND ENTRANCE** (Left hand side near the Sacristy) from Wednesday 11th - Wednesday 18th December due to the erection of scaffolding. Please use the RAMP to the right hand side of the Cathedral front door. The CATHEDRAL PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS are **ON SALE** in Veritas, Main Street; Macs Deli, High Road; Clarke's Newsagents, Lower Main Street; County Dry Cleaners, Lower Main Street; Certa Oil, Port Road; Kernans Shop, Lower Main Street; Kernans Shop, Oldtown; Kernans Shop, Tullygay; Tinney's Oil, Bonagee; and from the Sacristy and Parochial House. (\notin 5 per packet of 5). The Recipient's intentions are included in all Masses in the Cathedral from the 25th December until the 1st January. Any profit, after printing costs, will be donated to the local St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The **SYCAMORE PROGRAMME** will continue on **Friday 13th and Friday 20th December at 7.40 pm** in the Pastoral Centre in preparation for Christmas.

CLEANING IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS will take place on **Tuesday 10th December in St. Eunan's Cathedral** from 2 pm - 4 pm. Volunteers are invited to help with hoovering, dusting, glass cleaning etc.

Human Rights Day takes place on the 10th December 2024. This year the theme is "Our Rights, Our Future, Right Now". Human Rights can empower individuals and communities to forge a better tomorrow. Visit Trocaire's website to find ideas for action e.g. Trocare's Access to Justice programme.

"CAROLS AT CHRISTMAS WITH THE CONWAL SINGERS" will take place on Wednesday 11th December at 8 pm in Conwal Parish Church. Special guests include: Amy Gillen, Flautist and the spoken word from children from The Karen Gorman Academy of Speech and Drama. There will be a voluntary retiring collection followed by mince pies and festive fare in Conwal Parish Centre.

CURSILLO ~ There will be a friendship grouping in the Old Parish Centre, Stranorlar on **Thursday 12th December** at 7.30 pm. All Cursillo members are welcome to pray and support each other and the Cursillo movement.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT - Will take place on Sunday 15th **December** at 5 pm at St. Patrick's Church, Crossroads, Killygordon, followed by Live Crib and Hot Chocolate. (Derry Home of the Mother Sisters)

'THE CONVENT', the history of the Loreto Order in Letterkenny, compiled by Ann Carroll is now available to buy from the Loreto School Office, Mac's Mace, Donegal Stationery, Paddy Delap Newsagents and Bookmark at a cost of \notin 20.

LK WE CARE FOOD BANK are in urgent need of non-perishable food donation also basics like Tea. Coffee, Pasta etc. Opening hours at Greenes Market Centre, Market Square: Tuesday and Fridays from 12 noon to 2 pm.

The Organisers of the recent Cursillo Church Gate Collection would like to **THANK** everyone who donated. Amount collected at the Cathedral was $\notin 669.08$ and at the Church of the Irish Martyrs was $\notin 409.73$

PADRE PIO PILGRIMAGE (27th - 4th June 2025) - Taking in San Giovanni Rotondo and Alba Adriatica. Please contact Nuala on 087 2850862 for details.

Sunday 8th December ~ Second Sunday of Advent

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

Baptisms ~ 2.30 pm

Monday 9th December (The Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M.)

8am Mass ~ Liam O'Neill RIP 12 Noon Mass ~ Private Intention 10 am Mass ~ Paula O'Donnell RIP

7 pm Mass ~ Irina Urbanovica RIP (First Anniversary)

Tuesday 10th December ~ Blessed Virgin Mary of Lourdes

8 am Mass ~ Mary McGeehin RIP 7 pm Mass ~ Paddy, Cian & Lizzie Curran RIP and Joey & Hugo Travers RIP

Wednesday 11th December ~ St. Damamsus I, pope

8 am Mass ~ Bridget Gallagher RIP10 am Mass ~ Patrick Bradley RIP7 pm Mass ~ Joseph and Elizabeth Keane and Deceased Family Members RIPConfessions: 7.30 pmYouth 2000 ~ 8 pm in the Cathedral

Thursday 12th December ~ Our Lady of Guadalupe

8 am Mass ~ Edward and Mary Blake RIP

10 am Mass ~ Mass of Thanksgiving

7 pm Mass \sim Kay & Tommy Gallagher & Deceased Members of the Gallagher and Nee Families RIP

7 pm ~ Cathedral Youth Group in the Pastoral Centre

8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room

Friday 13th December ~ St. Lucy, virgin and martyr

8 am Mass ~ Dan Collins RIP 10 Mass ~ Bridget and Packie O'Donnell RIP 7 pm Mass ~ Marian Clarkin (Month's Mind Mass), Patrick McGrath (First Anniversary), Helen McDaid (First Anniversary), Noel Laughlin (First Anniversary), John Harley, Joe Harley, Connie Harley, Anne O'Donnell, Liam O'Donnell, Liam O'Neill, John McDonagh, Jimmy Kehoe, Annie Kehoe, Noel McLoughlin, Lily McLoughlin, Colette Browne, Molly Coyle, Willie Doogan and Peggy Doogan RIP

Saturday 14th December ~ St. John of the Cross

10 am Mass ~ Paddy Byrne RIP (Month's Mind Mass) Confessions ~ 12 noon - 1pm and 7pm Baptisms ~ 4 pm

Vigil Mass ~ 6 pm

Sunday 15th December ~ Third Sunday of Advent

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

Baptisms: 2.30 pm