

WE CARE L/K FOOD BANK is located behind Greene's Shoe Shop, Market Centre, Main Street, Letterkenny. **Opening Hours: 11 am to 2 pm on Fridays only.** Drop off points for Food Collection: Letterkenny Community Centre, Mac's Mace, High Road and Centra, Circular Road, Letterkenny. Your support is much appreciated.



"...Do your utmost to support your faith with goodness, goodness with understanding..." 2 Peter 1:5. This year's Trócaire Box features supporters from Ireland who are doing extraordinary things in the pursuit of justice and a fairer world. They cannot ignore poverty and they want to make a difference in whatever way they can. When you support Trócaire you are not just giving, you are joining the fight for justice. Find out how to help at trocaire.org/lent

DO WE RESPECT GOD OR REVERENCE HIS CHURCH?



We apparently live in a society that is becoming more and more disrespectful. Reverence and respect go hand and hand and are often used interchangeably. Reverence carries an idea of worship and therefore it is more appropriately used in our relationship with God and everything associated with Him.

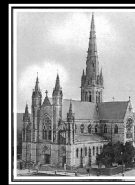


We honour and obey parents, elders and authority figures, thereby showing them respect. Showing honour and respect is a daily process which requires of us to treat one another in a courteous and kind manner.

All the more reason of us then to show honour and respect to God, especially when we enter His House, the Church. We are God's guests on this earth and in His Church, which is why our utmost reverence and respect is given to Him.

We use our time in God's House to converse with Him, for He is there in the Blessed Sacrament. Any other conversation should be left for a later time. God does not have a phone so no need to take your phone into the Church, but if you do, keep it on silent. God is not taking any calls today.

Reverence and respect for the things of God can be easily taught and lived out in our daily Christian lives. Jesus showed respect and reverence towards His Father, especially when He was in the Temple. Behaviour in the Church should always be respectful and reverential towards God.




ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY

NEWSLETTER

Sunday 21st February 2016

Second Sunday of Lent



CONFIRMATION TIME IN OUR PARISH

- ❖ On Thursday 25th February we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at 5 pm for the Boys and Girls from Scoil Naomh Fiachra, Illistrin
- ❖ On Saturday 27th February we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at 11 am for the Girls from Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál and at 3 pm for the Boys from Scoil Cholmcille.

Please remember in your prayers all the Boys and Girls, their parents, families, sponsors and teachers and all who were involved in preparing them for this day.



Confession Time

CONFESSIONS for all Confirmation Children, their families and friends will take place on Monday 22nd February at 8 pm in the Cathedral.



We are currently **RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS** to join the **Altar Society** in the Cathedral. Altar Society Members keep the Sanctuary looking its best. Their work consists of looking after Altar Cloths, Cleaning of Brasses, Cleaning the floors and Floral Arrangements within the Sanctuary Area. These members work from a monthly rota but join together on special occasions i.e. Easter, Christmas etc. Please ring Maureen on 9121429 for further information.

We also need **MORE HELPERS** (men and women) with the **Cleaning and Hoovering** of the main body of the Cathedral. This involves dusting of seats, cleaning the glass, polishing the brass on doors, washing the floor etc. Please phone Frances on 086-3518815 for further information.



The **'Hoovering Team'** meet at 5 pm on the **second Wednesday** of every month to up-end the seats to Hoover the carpeted area underneath. Please ring Brian on 087-0909256 for further information.

PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEK: Fr. Philip Kemmy

Sunday 21st February

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

**Divine Mercy
Chaplet**
3 pm everyday

Monday 22nd February ~ Chair of St. Peter, Apostle

8 am Mass ~ Catherine Doherty
10 am Mass ~ James Coyle
7.30 pm Mass ~ Ann and Paeckie McIntyre
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Confessions in the Cathedral - 8 pm
Grow Meeting in Cheshire Apartments, Long Lane - 7.30 pm

Morning Prayer
9.40 am
Evening Prayer
7.10 pm
Monday to Friday

Tuesday 23rd February

8 am Mass ~ Annie McTeague, Michael McTeague, Mary Carlin, Rita McTeague and Monica Gallagher
10 am Mass ~ ®
7.30 pm Mass ~ ®
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Legion of Mary Meeting in the Conference Room after 10 am Mass
Legion of Mary Meeting in the Parochial House at 7 pm
Baptism Preparation in the Parochial House tonight ~ 8 pm
Divine Mercy Prayer Group in the Crib Room ~ 8 pm
Gamblers' Anonymous Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.15 pm
AI-Anon Meeting and AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Wednesday 24th February

8 am Mass ~ Philip Duffy
10 am Mass ~ Emer Boyd
7.30 pm Mass ~ Sheila O'Boyle (**First Anniversary**)
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Mother's Prayer Group Meeting - Conference Room - 7 pm
Youth 2000 Prayer Group for Young Adults in the Parochial House - 7.30 pm
Cathedral Choir Practice in the Conference Room - 8 pm

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

Trócaire Boxes are available from the back of the Cathedral.

Fr. Eamonn McLaughlin invites you to join with him on a **PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI** for the Year of Mercy from the 5th - 12th April. Cost: €899. Please phone Amanda, (Marian Pilgrimages) on 01-8788159.

RAPHOE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES will depart on the 22nd May. Cost: €699 per person. Please phone the Lourdes Office on 9125090 for further information.

RAPHOE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA will depart on 12th July. Cost: €734 per person. For further information please phone Mena on 9121748.

WORLD YOUTH DAY will take place in Krakow, Poland from 25th July - 2nd August with Pope Francis.

RAPHOE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK will take place on Saturday 19th August.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO TUBBERNAULT HOLY WELL, SLIGO will take place on Saturday 27th August

A **PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** (from Knock) will take place from the 28th August - 8th September. 5 Nights full board €699 pps. Pilgrimage Director: Fr. James Gillespie. Please contact Kathleen on 9121551 for information. (Bus to Knock extra).

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOUG DERG ~ Saturday 3rd September.

RAPHOE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND will take place on 7th September. Cost: €869 per person. Please phone Joe Walsh Tours on 01-2410800 for further information.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE on 7th September. Cost: €699 per person. For further information and to book contact Kathleen on 9121641/086-3721962.

The annual **DONEGAL N.W. PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE** will take place on the 28th September. The group will be present for the monthly apparition with Mirjana (Visionary). For bookings and enquiries please phone Michael on 087-2922499.

The monthly **DIOCESAN PEACE MASS** will be held in St. Mary's Church, Stranorlar on Thursday 25th February at 7.30 pm. Rosary before Mass. All welcome.



The monthly meeting of **ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY** will take place on Friday 26th February at 8 pm in the Pastoral Centre. Everyone welcome.

SUPPORTING PARENTS TO SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING – Positive mental health and wellbeing enables young people to lead fulfilling lives. It is recognised that the family is the primary source of nurturing and support for children and plays a central role in the promotion of their positive mental health. **Parents of Primary going Children** are invited to attend a **TALK BY THE NATIONAL PARENTS' COUNCIL** on Tuesday 1st March in Scoil Cholmcille, Boys School, Convent Road at 7.30 pm. All welcome.

H.S.E. RETIRED PENSIONERS GROUP A.G.M. will take place in the Abbey Hotel, Donegal Town on Tuesday 8th March at 11.45 am. Bookings to Kathleen on 9121551 before Monday 29th February. Complimentary lunch will be provided. Donation of €5 for Senior Citizens Parliament.

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND are providing the QQI Level 5 Healthcare Support modules based on demand in areas of Donegal in March 2016. This training will be provided one day a week for five weeks per module from 9.30am to 4.30pm. Training has been scheduled in Buncrana and Carndonagh To express an interest and for more information contact 05793 70221.

H.S.E RETIRED AND FRIENDS SUMMER OUTING will take place from Monday 13th June to Thursday 16th June to the Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill. To book please contact Charlie on 9126696, Kathleen on 9121551 or Breed on 9122605. Early booking is advisable as places are limited. €50 booking fee payable on booking. Full payment by 22nd May.

ARE YOU PLANNING A COMMUNITY SUMMER SCHEME? Or are you aiming to provide a learning or Developmental Programme for children, youth or adults in your local community? If so, Donegal Local Development Company would like to hear from you! Apply now for support, we have a simple application process in place. Please contact Susan in our Letterkenny on 9127056 or visit www.dldc.org

The Third **EVANGELIUM CONFERENCE** for Young Catholics aged 18-35 will take place in Maynooth from 8th - 10th July. Register now at www.evangelium.ie or facebook.com/evangelium.ireland/

Thursday 25th February

8 am Mass ~ Daniel and Cecelia Bradley **10 am Mass** ~ Peadar McGeehin
7.30 pm Mass ~ James Ford
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
St. Fiachra's, Illistrin ~ **CONFIRMATION** ~ 5 pm
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm
Charismatic Prayer Meeting in the Conference Room - 8 pm

Friday 26th February

8 am Mass ~ Eamonn Kelly **10 am Mass** ~
7.30 pm Mass ~ Mary Comiskey, Sean Comiskey, Frank Comiskey, Willie Peoples, Hugh Wallace, Margaret Wallace and Yvonne McGranaghan
8.30 pm Mass ~ Caitlin (Kathleen) Cannon (**Month's Mind Mass**)
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Stations of the Cross in the Cathedral - 6.30 pm
AI-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 10.30 am
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 27th February

10 am Mass ~ Austin Cribben (Died November 2015) **7.30 pm** ~ Vigil Mass
Confessions: After 7.30 pm Mass
Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál CONFIRMATION ~ 11 am
Scoil Cholmcille CONFIRMATION ~ 3 pm
Baptisms ~ 5 pm
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am
Narcotics Anonymous Meetings in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm

Morning Prayer
9.40 am

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



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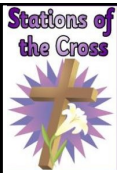
OFFERTORY COLLECTION ~ 14th February 2016 - €6,308

Parish Expenditure: €1,444.89

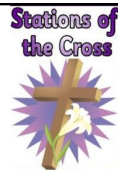
Thank you for your gift to God and His Church

RECENT BAPTISMS ~ *We welcome into God's Community*

Khanya Ciara Mapiitizo ~ Iarlaith Rossa Friel



The weekly Lenten Stations of the Cross which takes place on a Friday Evening at 6.30 pm in the Cathedral will be offered this Friday for all who are Deceased.



On **Sunday 6th March** from 3 pm - 4.30 pm in St. Eunan's Cathedral, **DAWN EDEN** (USA) former rock journalist, Catholic convert and best selling author will share her **POWERFUL STORY OF HEALING, CONVERSION, LOVE FOR THE CATHOLIC FAITH** and insights from her latest book based on this Jubilee Year of Mercy. Everyone welcome.

ST. EUNAN'S GAA CLUB: The Sunday Morning Football Academy will take place from Sunday 21st February until Sunday 20th March in the Aura (indoors) as follows: 10 am - 11 am for boys and girls born in 2008 and after and from 11 am - 12 noon for boys and girls born in 2006 and 2007. Cost is €3 per child or €5 per family. It will be outdoors in O'Donnell Park from Sunday 3rd April at 11 am for all ages.

DIABETES IRELAND will hold a **PUBLIC INFORMATION AFTERNOON** entitled: "Managing My Type 2 Diabetes Effectively" in the Mount Errigal Hotel on Sunday 21st February at 2.30 pm. Admission is free and all are welcome. Phone: 071-9146001 for more information.

A Social for the **YOUNG AT HEART CLUB** will be held in the Social Centre, Oliver Plunkett Road on Tuesday 23rd February at 8 pm. This Social will be hosted by the Celtic Supporters Club.

The **LETTERKENNY REUNION AGM** takes place on Tuesday 23rd February in the Glenfin Room, Station House Hotel at 8 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

An **Inflammatory Bowel Disease** (Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis) **INFORMATION EVENING** for Patients and families will be held from 7 pm to 8.30 pm on Wednesday 24th February in Radisson Hotel Letterkenny.

LETTERKENNY ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION ~ The next meal is in ARENA 7 on Wednesday 24th February at 4.45 pm. All members very welcome. **Activity afternoon** in the Regional Cultural Centre on Thursday 25th Feb. at 2 30 pm.

**'THE ORIGINAL IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY' FILM
'THE UNTOLD STORY OF AN UNKNOWN MASTERPIECE'
9th - 15th March**

For the first time in Ireland, this newly released **DOCUMENTARY FILM** tells the extraordinary tale of how the Original Image of Divine Mercy, so widely found throughout the world, was first painted under the guidance of St. Faustina and how the Image, the only one St. Faustina ever saw, was abandoned, forgotten and almost lost forever.

Venue: Station House Hotel, Letterkenny. **Dates and Times:** Wednesday 9th, Thursday 10th and Friday 11th March, Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th March at 7.30 pm. Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th March at 6.30 pm. Two Matinee Screenings: Saturday 12th/Sunday 13th March at 3 pm.

Admission is free. Any donations at the Screenings will be gratefully received and monies will go to the Divine Mercy in Action Charity and the Raphoe Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to World Youth Day.

For more information please phone 9121021 or go to Year of Mercy Raphoe Facebook Page.



**YEAR OF MERCY
24 HOURS FOR THE LORD**

As part of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has called for another "24 HOURS FOR THE LORD". He asks the universal church for twenty-four hours of Prayer, Reflection, Adoration, Reflection on Mercy and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



In response, in our Parish of Conwal and Leck, we will have 24 Hours for the Lord starting at 8.30 am on Friday 4th March. It will conclude with Benediction just before the 10 am Mass on Saturday morning.

Schools, Parish Groups, Sport Clubs, Organisations, Families, Prayer Groups and so on are **INVITED TO LEAD AN HOUR** in this time of prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The prayers may include the Rosary, Divine Mercy Prayers, Stations of the Cross etc.

If you would like to organise a particular hour please contact the Parochial House on 9121021 or see one of the Priests.