



“If you ever feel distressed during your day - call upon our Lady - just say this simple prayer: ‘**Mary, Mother of Jesus, please be a mother to me now.**’ I must admit - this prayer has never failed me.”

St. Teresa of Calcutta



1st January ~ World Day of Peace

“God is peace: let us ask Him to help us to be peacemakers each day, in our life, in our families, in our cities and nations, in the whole world”.

Pope Francis



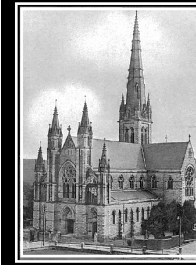
The inaugural meeting of the **NEW PARISH YOUTH GROUP for TEENS** will take place in the Cathedral Conference Room on Sunday 8th January at 7.15 pm. Some young people from NET will lead us that evening. **ALL TEENS** are welcome and encouraged to attend. Pizza will be provided.

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 main body of the Church. This involves hoovering, dusting, cleaning glass etc. This is a big job and **more volunteers are urgently needed** to share the workload. Our Altar Society Members clean the Sanctuary area, arrange flowers, clean the brasses etc. **A sincere word of thanks to each one of you.** Please phone the Parochial House if you can help out in any way.

THE POPE’S INTENTION FOR JANUARY

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord’s teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.



ST. EUNAN’S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 1st January 2017

Mary, The Holy Mother of God

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 recently of Fr. Damien Nejad 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 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 ~ Fr. Philip Kemmy

SUNDAY 1st January

Masses ~ 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon, 4.30 pm (Polish) and 6.30 pm
Baptisms in the Cathedral - 1.30 pm
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open at **1 pm**
Polish Prayer Group in the Cathedral ~ 4.30 pm - 7 pm
Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8 pm
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am and 8.30 pm

Monday 2nd January ~ St. Basil the Great

NO 8 am Mass
10 am Mass ~ Maureen Dillon (**First Anniversary**)
6 pm Mass ~ Catherine Cannon (**First Anniversary**)
7.30 pm Mass ~ Jim, Anna and Mary McGlynn
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Confessions in the Cathedral - 8 pm
Grow Mental Health Meetings in the Pastoral Centre - 7.30 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 3rd January ~ The Holy Name of Jesus

8 am Mass ~ **10 am Mass** ~ Fr. Harry Allison
7.30 pm Mass ~ Packie Harkin
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 on Tuesday 10th January ~ **8 pm**
Divine Mercy Prayer Group in the Crib Room – 8 pm
Gamblers' Anonymous Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm
Al-Anon Meeting and AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Wednesday 4th January

8 am Mass ~ **10 am Mass** ~ Raymond Cassidy
7.30 pm Mass ~ ®
St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Mother's Prayer Group Meeting - Conference Room - 7 pm
Youth 2000 Prayer Group - Parochial House - 7.30 pm
Cathedral Choir Practice in the Conference Room - 8 pm
Narcotics Anonymous in the Pastoral Centre ~ 8.30 pm

Fr. McLaughlin
will visit his
Wednesday (First
Friday Calls) today

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

Thursday 5th January ~ St. Charles of St. Andrew of Mount Argus

8 am Mass ~ Patrick Joseph Giblin **10 am Mass** ~ ®
7.30 pm Mass ~ Vigil Mass
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Confessions: 12 noon to 1 pm and after the 7.30 pm Mass
Fr. McLaughlin and Fr. Kemmy will visit their Thursday (First Friday Calls) today
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm
Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room - 8 pm

Friday 6th January ~ Feast of the Epiphany

MASS TIMES: 8 am, 10 am, 5.45 pm and 7.30 pm
(Names for the 7.30 pm shared Mass: Paul Gallagher, John Geary and Frank Browne)
St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open
Fr. Kelly, Fr. McLaughlin and Fr. Kemmy will visit the Sick, Elderly and Housebound today
Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 10 am
AA Meeting for Women in the Conference Room - 1 pm
AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm

**G.P.'s Rosary and
Benediction after the
7.30 pm Mass**

Saturday 7th January ~ St. Raymond of Penyfort

10 am Mass ~ ®
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 - 5.30 pm

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



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If you live outside the Parish and usually receive a **Box of Cathedral Envelopes** by **POST**, please call to the Sacristy to collect your box.

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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ~ 18th December ~ €6,181
Thank you for your gift to God and His Church