

GRAVEYARD SERVICES

Sunday 2nd July ~ Conwal Graveyard ~ 4 pm
Monday 3rd July ~ Aughanishin Graveyard ~ 7 pm
Sunday 9th July ~ Old Leck Graveyard ~ 4 pm
Sunday 9th July ~ New Leck Graveyard ~ 5 pm



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, LETTERKENNY AREA.

Despite a reported improvement in the economy and some jobs growth, demand for our services is as 'high as ever'. The St. Vincent de Paul spent €192,175.00 in 2016 helping out those in financial difficulty in the Letterkenny area. We received 643 calls from families for help in the weeks leading up to Christmas 2016.

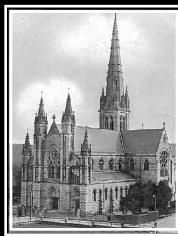
We are not seeing any change from the recession to now. Whatever your reason for getting in touch, if you need support from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, we are here to help you, from practical help and advice to a friendly ear all in the strictest of confidence. Our members are there to listen and offer support. Please contact our local conference directly on: 087-1190040 or 9129503.

Our main assistance is food and fuel, and Christmas puts a huge demand on families. There is terrible pressure on middle income families, keeping children in school/college, someone in the family gets ill or some other emergency stretches an already tight financial situation to breaking point.

The level of assistance that we can provide is determined by how much we receive in donations. There are many people who donate by cheques, direct debits, bequests, church gate collections, Cathedral Christmas Cards, Cathedral Crib Donations etc. and those who donate items for sale in the SVP Shop, Vincent's, Lower Main Street, Letterkenny.

On behalf of all the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Letterkenny I wish to acknowledge this generosity and extend sincere thanks to the people of the wider Letterkenny area who make it all possible.

Kathleen Ponsonby
SVP Area President,
Letterkenny.



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 9th April 2017

Palm Sunday



CONFESSION TIMES DURING HOLY WEEK

This afternoon, **Sunday 9th April (Palm Sunday)** ~ 1 pm to 6 pm

Monday 10th April ~ 10.30 am to 12 noon and 8 pm

Tuesday 11th April ~ 10.30 am to 12 noon and 8 pm

Wednesday 12th April ~ 10.30 am to 6 pm and 8 pm

MASSES AND SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday - 8 am, 10 am and 7.30 pm

HOLY THURSDAY

11 am ~ Chrism Mass

5 pm ~ Children's Mass of the Lord's Supper

8 pm ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY

12 noon ~ Stations of the Cross

3 pm ~ Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7 pm ~ Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY

9 pm ~ Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6.30 pm



Please **RETURN** your Trócaire Boxes on Good Friday.

PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEK: Fr. Eamonn Kelly

Sunday 9th April

Masses ~ 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6.30 pm

Baptisms - 1.30 pm

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open at 1 pm

Polish Prayer Group in the Cathedral ~ 4 pm - 7 pm

Parish Youth Group for Teens in the Conference Room - 7.15 pm

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am and 8.30 pm

Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8 pm



Monday 10th April

8 am Mass ~ Denis and Agnes Houston

10 am Mass ~ Sr. Assumpta Doherty (**Month's Mind Mass**)

7.30 pm Mass ~ James and Annie McGinty

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 Wednesday)
Evening Prayer (7.10 pm)
(Monday to Friday)

Tuesday 11th April

8 am Mass ~

10 am Mass ~ Bridie Roughan (nee Gallagher) (**First Anniversary**)

7.30 pm Mass ~ John and Sarah McIntyre and Deceased Family Members

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 18th April - 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 12th April

8 am Mass ~ Eamonn Harkin Jnr.

10 am Mass ~ Charlie Price

7.30 pm Mass ~ Bridie McElroy (**First Anniversary**) and Penitential Service

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

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

The **H.S.E. Retired Group and Friends SUMMER OUTING** are having their Summer Outing to the Westgrove Hotel, Clane, Co. Kildare from **Monday 12th to Thursday 15th June**. 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.

Finn Valley FM Community Radio is broadcasting again on frequency 95.8 FM. Phone: 9143500/Text 0863257900 or Email: studio@finnvalleyfm.com

CAMP VERITAS is a one-week Pilgrimage experience for teens aged 12-18 where they are immersed in the Catholic Faith. Everyone involved is a volunteer. At Camp Veritas we will have daily Mass, Adoration and Rosary, while the teens are taught catechesis. Camp Veritas will be held at Maynooth University from the **26th June - 1st July**. Please visit: www.campveritas.ie for further information and cost.

Congratulations to the 5th/6th class teams from Scoil Cholmcille who won the **All Ireland Athletics Championships** held in Athlone recently. They won the **Donegal Championships** on 2nd March. Congratulations also to the **3rd/4th class team** who were placed second in the championships. Sincere thanks to all their coaches.

We would like to wish the **Table Tennis Team** representing Scoil Cholmcille/ Letterkenny Youth Club the best of good luck in the U13 All Ireland finals in May in Dublin. They will represent Ulster and compete against the other provinces. Thanks to Paddy Delap and Janice Daly for their commitment to the Team.

The Organisers of 'DAFFODIL DAY', the Irish Cancer Society's largest annual fundraiser wish to **THANK** all those who helped in any way to make this day such a success. The amount raised was €15,580.

The Organisers of the recent 'BAG PACK' in Dunnes Stores in aid of Mary's Meals would like to sincerely **THANK** the Management of Dunnes Stores and everyone who helped out on the day. The amount raised was: €1,922.33.

PILGRIMAGES 2017

- Lourdes (Diocesan) ~ **22nd May** ~ 9125090
- Medjugorje ~ **30th May** ~ 087-2202173
- Medjugorje ~ **14th June** ~ 087-9121683
- Fatima (Diocesan) ~ **10th July** ~ 9121748
- Lourdes ~ **18th August** ~ 9737015/01-6359300
- Knock (Diocesan) ~ **19th August** ~ 9121021
- Lourdes ~ **28th August** ~ 9121551
- Lough Derg (Parish) ~ **2nd September** ~ 9121021
- Medjugorje ~ **6th September** ~ 086-3721962
- Medjugorje ~ **27th September** ~ 087-2922499

Why not join us for this fantastic fundraiser? IT'S A KNOCKOUT will be held on **Saturday 6th May** from 12 noon - 3 pm on the St. Eunan's College Pitch. Teams of 10 (Age 16+). We invite businesses, individuals and former Students of St. Eunan's College to gather a team together and come along for what will be a great afternoon of craic! If interested please email: itsaknockout@sainteunans.com. Spectators are very welcome.

A.S.I.S.T. Applied Suicide Prevention Skills Training Course is the most widely used suicide prevention course. A two-day course will be held in the Pastoral Centre, Letterkenny on **Wednesday 24th/Thursday 25th May** from 9 am - 5 pm. The course is FREE of charge. Donations welcome.

LETTERKENNY REUNION TRIP TO GLASGOW will take place from the **2nd/5th June**. Anyone interested are asked to contact Dessie on 086-1009636, Mary on 087-6757852 or Elaine on 086-3058452 or any committee member.

The **ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE to Knock Shrine on Saturday 3rd June**. The main Celebrant will be Bishop Brendan Kelly. Homilist will be Fr. Thady Doyle. The 3rd June will also be the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Servant of God, Fr. Patrick Peyton, the Rosary Priest.

JESUS VISITS HIS PEOPLE ~ Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament will visit a number of areas around Letterkenny between the **5th - 16th June** (excluding Saturday and Sunday). If you would like the Blessed Sacrament to come to your area in June, please contact the Parish Office on 9121021.

We will celebrate Letterkenny's **'World Day of the Sick'** in the Cathedral on **Saturday 17th June** with Mass and anointing of the Sick at 11 am.

The **FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI** will take place on **Sunday 18th June**. We will begin in the Cathedral at 3 pm with prayers and our Procession to Rodger's Burn, Glencar will follow.

The Sacred Heart Novena takes place from **Thursday 15th - Friday 23rd June**. During this time **ARTEFACTS ASSOCIATED WITH MATT TALBOT** will be in St. Eunan's Cathedral when we will have a Novena of Holy Hours (8 pm - 9 pm) in preparation for the Feast of the Sacred Heart.

HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE TO GROW IN FAITH ~ Are you a parent/teacher/chaplain or just interested in young people and their general faith development? If so, please check out www.shekinah.ie for details of certificate and diploma courses accredited by St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. The aim of these courses is to bring the Gospel message to young people in a creative, fun and reflective way. They provide transferrable skills beneficial to parents, teachers and all who work with adolescents.

Thursday 13th April ~ Holy Thursday

11 am ~ Chrism Mass

5 pm ~ Children's Mass of the Lord's Supper

8 pm ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm

Charismatic Prayer Meeting in the Conference Room - 8 pm



Friday 14th April ~ Good Friday

12 noon ~ Stations of the Cross

3 pm ~ Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7 pm ~ Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 10.30 am

AA Meeting for Women in the Conference Room - 1 pm

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm



Saturday 15th April ~ Holy Saturday

9 pm ~ Easter Vigil

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am

Narcotics Anonymous in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm

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



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Live **WEB STREAMING** from the Cathedral is available on our website or on www.mcnmedia.tv

Parish Pastoral Council Email: conwalandleckpc@gmail.com

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS ~ 2nd April - €6,093

PARISH EXPENDITURE: €7,279.44

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church

St. Vincent de Paul ~ Parish of Aughaninshin ~ 9122366

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

Zosia Janina Kups ~ Pippa Maeve Harvey

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA (14th - 23rd April)

(Leaflets at the back of the Cathedral)

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS ~ 23rd April ~ 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm

Do you have: A love for the Eucharist? A longing to administer the sacraments to the people of God? A hunger to build up the Church? A drive to be a servant-leader and spiritual father? A zeal to live as an apostle of Christ? A **VOCATIONS AWARENESS DAY** (opportunity for prayer, discussion and Q&A on Priesthood) will be held in Ards Friary, Creeslough from 10.30 am - 5 pm on **Saturday 22nd April**. For further information please contact Fr. Rory Brady on 087-9141606.

The **CURSILLO ULTREYA** will be held in the Church of the Irish Martyrs tonight, **Sunday 9th April** at 8 pm.

A **CEILÍ** will be held in Bonagee Community Centre tonight, **Sunday 9th April**. Dancing from 8 pm - 11 pm. Admission (including supper) €7. Everyone is welcome.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERS ~ Sanctuary Cleaning in preparation for Easter will take place on **Monday 10th April** at 2 pm.

The National Women's Council of Ireland will hold a series of workshops on **'OLDER WOMEN AND PENSIONS'** in the Donegal Women's Centre, Letterkenny with the first workshop on **Monday 10th April**, from 10 am to 2 pm. If interested please phone Catherine or Eilís on 01-6790100. The second workshop will be held on the 13th May and the third workshop will be held on the 24th June.

LETTERKENNY ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION will hold it's next meeting in the Regional Cultural Centre, Port Road on Thursday **13th April** at 2.30 pm. We look forward to seeing all members. Come along and make friends. New members welcome.

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER MEETING is held on the **second Thursday of every Month (13th April)** in Letterkenny University Hospital Chapel commencing with Mass at 7.30 pm followed by Rosary, Benediction, veneration and blessing with first class relic. Everyone is very welcome.

ANAM CARA, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on **Thursday 13th April** from 7.30 pm in the Mount Errigal Hotel. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

GOLAN PAD SPONSORED WALK FOR DONEGAL HOSPICE will take place on **Good Friday Evening (14th April)** at 6 pm. 'That same day two of them were going to Emmaus ...while they were talking and wondering Jesus came up and walked with them.' This walk starts at the Square in Milford and goes Cross Country through the wood to Golan Chapel where refreshments will be available and then onwards over Bunlin Bridge and back into Milford. Everyone is welcome. For further information please phone: 0874119656/0876296360.

The **ST. EUNAN'S GAA CLUB 'SUPER HOUSE DRAW'** is just one week away. The draw will take place on Easter Sunday night in the Mount Errigal Hotel. Tickets can be purchased online at: www.gaahousedraw.ie or from any club member. Tickets are €100 with a chance to win the top prize of a brand new house in Rann Mór or one of the 9 other fantastic prizes.

Remember - if you're not in you can't win!

The **Letterkenny Shotokan Karate Club** are hosting a **BAREFOOT WALK** on **Saturday 15th April** at 1.45 pm in the Aura Leisure Centre, Letterkenny with all proceeds going to Mary's Meals and Donegal Action for Cancer Care. Everyone is very welcome to come along.

A **BUS TO KNOCK** is being organised for **Saturday 22nd April** staying overnight for Divine Mercy Sunday (23rd April). For cost and further information please phone 9320734 or 089-2245598.

The first Annual Retreat/Conference for the **CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION** will take place on the **26th & 27th April** in the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village, Dublin. Please phone 098-24877 for details.

A bus will leave the Cathedral Car Park on **Saturday 29th April** at 2 pm for a vigil to **MELLERAY GROTTTO**. To book please contact 9121641 or 086-3721962.

The annual **EUCCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK** will take place on **Sunday 30th April**, with Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Blessing of the Sick, Children's Adoration, Talks and Eucharistic Procession. A bus will leave from the Cathedral Car Park after 8 am Mass - cost €20. Please bring a packed lunch. To book your seat, please phone 9126793 or 086-3074435.

The **Parents Association of Scoil Naomh Fiachra, Illistrin** are delighted to announce their fourth **'ANNUAL 25 CARD DRIVE'** commencing **5th May** at 8 pm. Tables of 8 - €20 per person with half the pot in prize money. For enquiries please contact Enda on 087-6559777.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES

Saturday 6th May ~ Scoil Naomh Fiachra, Illistrin ~ 11 am

Saturday 13th May ~ Scoil Cholmcille ~ 11 am

Saturday 20th May ~ Gaelscoil Adhamhnáin ~ 11 am

Saturday 27th May ~ Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál ~ 11 am

Saturday 10th June ~ Little Angels ~ 11 am ~ (Church of the Irish Martyrs)

The annual **PRESENTATION MASS FOR PIONEER EMBLEMS** and new Young Pioneers will take place on **Monday 22nd May** at 7.30 pm in St. Eunan's Cathedral. If you qualify for any of the following please contact Joe on 0851269238, Michael on 0876774618 or Geraldine on 0877962045. (10 year - €15, Silver (25 years) €44, Gold (50 years) €46 or Diamond (60 years) €24.

