

If you are living in the Parish and would like to receive a box of Sunday Envelopes for 2018, please contact the Parish Office on 9121021, alternatively boxes are available from the back of the Cathedral. Simply fill in the little card inside the box and return it with your first envelope. **For people living outside the Parish but use the Cathedral Envelopes, your boxes are available in the Sacristy.**

The annual **ST. STEPHEN'S DAY WALK** in Glenveagh in aid of the Irish Motor Neurone Association. Assemble at 11.45 am in the Glenveagh Visitors Centre Car Park, walk commences at 12 noon. Any donation appreciated.

THE PRIESTS (a classical music trio of Priests from Northern Ireland) will be in Concert at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballyraine on Friday 29th December. Tickets are €25 and are available from Church of the Irish Martyrs Sacristy, Veritas and Clarkes Newsagents, Lower Main Street.

Letterkenny parkrun celebrates its 100th 5k at 9.30 am on **Saturday 30th December** at St. Conal's Complex on the High Road, Letterkenny. A free draw for a Hamper, will be open to all volunteers and participants on the day to mark the occasion. Parking is free at St. Conal's up to 11 am and it would be appreciated if people would arrive by 9.15 am at the latest to allow for the extra numbers anticipated. Letterkenny parkrun is open to walkers, joggers, and runners of all standards and as always is a free to enter event.

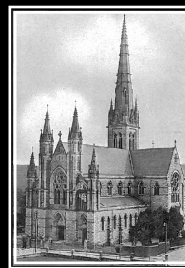
NEW YEAR'S DAY DINNER for people/families who feel lonely at this time of year, will take place on **Monday 1st January** at 2 pm in SONDER Restaurant, Rossvie Business Park, Port Road, Letterkenny courtesy of Chef Martin Anderson and a Team of Volunteers. Please phone: 086-3161376/087-8340534 for info.

Epilepsy Ireland wish to **THANK** those who contributed to their recent Church Gate Collection. The amount raised was €645.

St. Eunan's GAA Club would like to **THANK** all Volunteers in 2017 for giving their time so generously to the Club. A special word of thanks to all our children, young/senior adults for your commitment to your particular game. Thanks to all our sponsors for your generous support. We would like to pass on our condolences to all our members that lost loved ones during the year. We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

Next Sunday, **31st December**, the Parish **LAUNCH** for the World Meeting of Families will take place at the **10 am Mass** with Bishop McGuckian.

We warmly welcome ALL FAMILIES to come to this Mass as we prepare for this wonderful event which will take place in Dublin from 21st-26th August.



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NEWSLETTER

Sunday 24th December 2017

Fourth Sunday of Advent

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE IN THE CATHEDRAL

CHRISTMAS EVE ~ Sunday 24th December

Masses: 8 am, 10 am and 12 noon (**NO** 4 pm and **NO** 6.30 pm Mass)
FAMILY MASS ~ 7.30 pm and **MIDNIGHT MASS** ~ 12 midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS TIMES: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon
and 4 pm (Polish) - (**NO** 6.30 pm Mass)

The **ADORATION CHAPEL** will reopen at 7 pm on **Christmas Day**.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER



Dear loving Lord, You didn't come, to a perfect world. You came to a people, full of complexity and confusion. Your birth itself, surrounded by conflict, doubt and fear. You came humbly, oh Lord, born of a virgin, to a simple family, to walk a journey of tears and glory. Now come again, dear Jesus, come to my fragile heart. Let my heart be, Your manger. Prepare that quiet place, where Peace and Joy are born again. O Lord, let me be humble, receiving and giving, Your ever-loving mercy. May my soul sing praises to only You. For You alone are holy, You alone are the Lord, The Most High, Jesus Christ! In Your sacred name. Amen.

We wish all Parishioners, families and friends a very Happy Christmas.

We remember and pray for parents, sons, daughters, brothers, sisters and grandchildren who cannot be home for Christmas. We pray in a special way for all Missionaries and Members of the Defence Forces from our Town and County who are helping and protecting others this Christmas. We pray for all who have gone to their eternal reward, remembering especially all who have died in our Parish throughout the year. May they rest in peace.

Please CHECK if meetings are on this week before attending

PRIEST ON DUTY: Fr. Eamonn Kelly

Sunday 24th December ~ Christmas Eve

Sunday Morning Masses ~ 8 am, 10 am and 12 noon

Sunday Evening Masses ~ 7.30 pm (Family Mass) and 12 midnight

Confessions ~ 1 pm - 3 pm

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is closed

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

Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8 pm

Monday 25th December ~ Christmas Day

MASS TIMES: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 4 pm (Polish)

St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open from 7 pm

Grow Mental Health Meetings in the Pastoral Centre - 7.30 pm

AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Tuesday 26th December

NO 8 am Mass

10 am 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 on Tuesday 9th 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

Morning Prayer - 9.40 am
Evening Prayer - 7.10 pm

Wednesday 27th December

8 am Mass ~ Peter and Susan McGlynn

10 am Mass ~ James Patrick Murphy

7.30 pm Mass ~ Paddy Doherty

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

Mother's Prayer Group Meeting in the Conference Room - 7 pm

Cathedral Choir Practice in the Conference Room - 8 pm

Narcotics Anonymous in the Pastoral Centre ~ 8.30 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Letterkenny ~ 9129503/9122366

RECENT BAPTISMS ~ We welcome into God's Community
Kayla Rose Loftus

Please CHECK if meetings are on this week before attending

Thursday 28th December

8 am Mass ~ Brigid Lagan

10 am Mass ~ Geraldine Griffin

7.30 pm Mass ~ Paula Brennan (First Anniversary), Frances and John Brennan

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 29th December

8 am Mass ~ Thomas McClelland

10 am Mass ~ Jim and Mary Carr

7.30 pm Mass ~ Horace Friel, James Dean Alcorn, Rosha Callan, Nair Nunes Vilos Boas, Vincent Mailey, Aaron Roulston, Brendan McDaid, Betty McDaid, Frank Vaughan, Geraldine Vaughan Murray, Deceased Members of Vaughan Family and Lisa Shiels

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

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 30th December

10 am Mass ~ Joan McGee (First Anniversary)

Nuptial ~ 1 pm

4 pm Mass ~ Nora Gallagher (Month's Mind Mass)

Baptisms ~ 5 pm

7.30 pm ~ Vigil Mass

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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OFFERTORY COLLECTION ~ 17th December - €

PARISH EXPENDITURE: €

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