

**OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER  
FOR WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018**

God, our Father,  
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,  
One family, in the Spirit of your love.

Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind,  
gentle and generous,  
welcoming to those in need.  
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care,  
Especially those for whom we now pray:  
*(We pause and remember family members and others by name).*

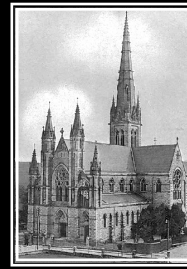
Increase our faith,  
Strengthen our hope,  
Keep us safe in your love,  
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen.



**MASS BOOKINGS IN THE CATHEDRAL** ~ We have 16 Masses (12 in the Summer Months) when we can have our Loved Ones/Special Intention prayed for individually. The recommended Mass Offering in the Diocese is €10. On a Friday Evening at the 7.30 pm Mass it is possible to have one name or ten names remembered. For this particular Mass we do not take a Mass Offering. The practice of 'giving an offering' dates back to the early Church when the faithful brought bread and wine for the Mass and other gifts for the support of the priest and for the poor. Nowadays a Mass offering is a way for the donor to join him/herself to the sacrifice of the Mass; it unites the donor closely with the life and apostolic activity of the Church, the Body of Christ, as the offering becomes a form of material support for the Church's ministers and pastoral life.

The **H.S.E. Retired Group** are holding their annual **CHRISTMAS PARTY** in the Mount Errigal Hotel on **Sunday 14th January** at 6 pm. To book please phone: Charlie on 9126696, Kathleen on 9121551 or Breed on 9122605. All are welcome.



**ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL  
LETTERKENNY  
NEWSLETTER**

**Sunday 31st December 2017**

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

**THANKS TO YOU ALL**

It's hard to believe that another year is almost at an end. As customary on the last weekend of the year it is only fitting to express our sincere THANKS for the invaluable help and support we receive on a daily basis.

Thankfully we have so many people involved in Ministry in our Parish: Altar Servers, Altar Society Members, Cleaners, Choirs, Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Parish Staff, Sacristans, Singers, Ushers etc. We have many vibrant Parish groups including: Charismatic Prayer Group, Divine Mercy Prayer Group, Grandparents Rosary Group, Holy Face Prayer Group, Knights of St. Columbanus, Legion of Mary, Youth 2000 Prayer Group, Junior and Senior Youth Prayer Groups, Mother's Prayer Group and Women's Friendship Prayer Group.

We are grateful to the Adorers and Committee of St. Pius X Adoration Chapel for their ongoing dedication and prayerful support to our Parish.

To the many 'work men' who toil to keep the Cathedral, Parochial House and grounds, Graveyards etc. in such good condition - thank you.

Thank you to all who contribute to our Parish by using a Sunday Envelope, having a standing order, placing coins/notes in the basket, completing CHY forms and donations. Without your financial support it would be impossible to maintain the Cathedral and Parish property.



Today also marks the retirement of our Sacristan, Alan Wilson. We express our sincere thanks to Alan for his many years of service to the Cathedral and Parish and we pray God's blessing on him for good health and happiness. We will miss the 'odd wee story', his sense of humour and the helping hand.

Please CHECK if meetings are on this week before attending

**PRIEST ON DUTY: Fr. Kevin Gillespie**

**Sunday 31st December ~ New Year's Eve**

**Masses** ~ 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon, 4 pm (Polish) and 6.30 pm

**Baptisms** - 1.30 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

Midnight Mass  
to welcome  
the New Year

**Monday 1st January**

**NO 8 am Mass**

**10 am Mass** ~

**7.30 pm Mass** ~ Sarah O'Brien (First Anniversary)

**St Pius X Adoration Chapel** is open from 7 pm

**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 2nd January**

**8 am Mass** ~ Living Benefactors of the Cathedral and all Names in the Golden Book

**10 am Mass** ~ ®

**7.30 pm Mass** ~ Maureen Dillon

**St. Pius X Adoration Chapel** is open

**Legion of Mary Meeting** in the Conference Room after 10 am Mass

**Holy Face Devotions** in the Cathedral ~ 6.30 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

**Wednesday 3rd January**

**8 am Mass** ~ Special Intention

**10 am Mass** ~ Fr. Harry Allison

**7.30 pm Mass** ~ Margaret Doherty (Month's Mind Mass) and Raymond Cassidy

**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

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**Thursday 4th January**

**8 am Mass** ~ Peter Gilleece

**10 am Mass** ~ Kathleen Lally

**7.30 pm Mass** ~ May McCarron

**St. Pius X Adoration Chapel** is open

**Confessions:** 12 noon and 8 pm

**AA Meeting** in the Pastoral Centre - 5.30 pm

**Charismatic Prayer Meeting** in the Conference Room - 8 pm

**Friday 5th January**

**8 am Mass** ~

**10 am Mass** ~ ®

**7.30 pm Mass** ~ VIGIL MASS

**St. Pius X Adoration Chapel** is open

**The Priests will visit the Sick, Elderly and Housebound today**

**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

**Women's Friendship Prayer Group** in the Conference Room - 8 pm

**Saturday 6th January ~ Feast of the Epiphany**

Mass Times ~ 8 am, 10 am and 12 noon

**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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Jesus, receiver of the wise men and their gifts, help us to follow Your light today  
and everyday. Fix our eyes and hearts on Your light, that we might be bearers  
of that light to all those who walk darkness. Amen.

