

If you 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.

Letterkenny Rotary Club TREE OF REMEMBRANCE ECUMENICAL SERVICE OF BLESSING will take place on **Sunday 7th January** at 3 pm in Conwal Parish Church. All are welcome. Light refreshment afterwards.

Letterkenny Pantomime Society will present **'THE SNOW QUEEN'** which is their take on the Disney classic 'Frozen' in An Grianán from **Saturday 13th to Saturday 20th January** at 8 pm nightly. There will be Matinee performances on Saturday 13th and 20th January at 2.30 pm and also on Sunday 14th January at 5 pm. The local branches of St. Vincent de Paul and local Schools are just some of the many worthwhile causes who will benefit from the Pantomime. Tickets are available from the box office at An Grianán on 9120777.

Icon of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Written by Iconographer Mihai Cucu from Romania, assisted by the Redemptoristine Sisters, Iona Road, Dublin.

The design of the Icon takes the form of a triptych which looks, from the outside, somewhat like a house with front doors.



Outside doors: Archangels Michael (left) and Gabriel (right) with "Amoris Laetitia", 'The Joy of Love' - Pope Francis' exhortation on love in the Family, the source of our reflections during WMOF.

Inside Centre Panel: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, seated at table sharing a meal (Passover meal). Their faith was celebrated in their home. As in Rublev's Trinity, the Holy Family have a place at table for us.

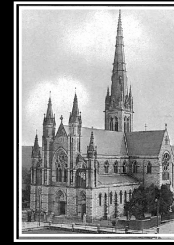
Inside Left panel: The Raising of Jairus' Daughter. Jesus' compassion for a family with a sick child.

Inside Right Panel: The Wedding Feast of Cana. Mary sees the couples' need. She trusts that Jesus can do something and tells the servants: "Do whatever he tells you."

This specially commissioned Icon of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph will visit St. Eunan's Cathedral from the 7th - 11th June.

For further details on The World Meeting of Families please visit: www.worldmeeting2018.ie

We ask that you keep 'The World Meeting of Families' in your prayers in the coming weeks and months **and we encourage you and your families to participate fully in the upcoming events which are being organised by our Parish WMOF Group.**



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY

NEWSLETTER

Sunday 7th January 2018

The Baptism of the Lord



WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

21st - 26th August in Dublin

In 1994, Pope Saint John Paul II asked the Pontifical Council for the Family to establish the World Meeting of Families (WMOF) as an international event of prayer, catechesis, and celebration that draws participants from around the globe. Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. Dublin has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from **21st - 26th August 2018** guided by the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World".

- **21st August 2018** - A National Opening of WMOF2018, which will take place simultaneously in all the different Dioceses of Ireland.
- **22nd - 24th August** - A three-day Congress. Each day will reflect on the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World" chosen by the Holy Father and will include an enriching programme for adults of keynote speakers, workshops, talks, testimonies and discussions; an engaging and exciting programme for young people as well as fun activities for children. The Congress will also include daily celebration of the Eucharist, prayerful activities, exhibitions, cultural events and musical performances.
- **25th August 2018** - A Festival of Families, comprising a reflective concert style event within a prayerful and joyful atmosphere, in which personal stories of faith will be shared by families from all continents.
- **26th August 2018** - WMOF2018 will close with a solemn Eucharistic Celebration, that will gather thousands of people from Ireland and all over the world.

PRIEST ON DUTY: Fr. Philip Kemmy

Sunday 7th January

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

Baptisms - 1.30 pm

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open at 1 pm

Polish Prayer Group in the Conference Room ~ 4 pm - 7 pm

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

Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8 pm

Monday 8th January

8 am Mass ~ Anna Rimmer

10 am Mass ~ John Geary

7.30 pm Mass ~ Howard Higdon

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 9th January

8 am Mass ~ John Geary

10 am Mass ~ ®

7.30 pm Mass ~ Mary Ronaghan

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

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 - 8.30 pm

Al-Anon Meeting and AA Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Wednesday 10th January

8 am Mass ~ Deceased Benefactors of the Cathedral & all names in the Golden Book

10 am Mass ~ Patrick Joseph Giblin

7.30 pm Mass ~ Nuala McFeely

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

Leslie Matthews's big '70+2' Birthday Concert in the Mount Errigal Hotel on **Friday 19th January** at 8 pm. Music from the Ryan Turner Band & Special Guests.

Thursday 11th January

8 am Mass ~ Special Intention

10 am Mass ~ Martin McGuigan

7.30 pm Mass ~ Margaret (Maggie) Patton (**Month's Mind Mass**)

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 12th January

8 am Mass ~ Deceased Benefactors of the Cathedral & all Names in the Golden Book

10 am Mass ~ Johnny McGeever

7.30 pm Mass ~ Harry Blake (**First Anniversary**) Martin Curran (**First Anniversary**), Paddy Harley, Aoife Carr, Maureen McMorrow, Patricia Margey, Mary Margey, Paul Gallagher, Eamon Duddy, Doreen Houston, Brigid Hannigan, Pat McArt, Stephen McDaid, Patsy Pyper, Anna O'Shea, Pat Nicholls, Eddie Keys, Mary Keys and Josephine Gallagher

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 10.30 am

Cathedral Senior Youth Prayer Group in the Conference Room - 6 pm

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 13th January

10 am Mass ~ Tom Gallagher (First Anniversary)

Nuptial ~ 12.30 pm

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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Live **WEB STREAMING** from the Cathedral is available on our Website and from mcnmedia.tv

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION ~ 24th December - €6,253 & 31st January - €5,266

PARISH EXPENDITURE: €10,783.39

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