

If you are living in the Parish and would like to receive a box of **SUNDAY ENVELOPES** for 2020, 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 **CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER** for people living on their own will be held in the Conwal Parish Hall, behind the Church of Ireland on Christmas Day from 1 pm until 4 pm. The purpose of the event is to help people who are living on their own to break through isolation and loneliness on the day, to provide company and celebration. Transport can be provided if required. If you wish to avail of a dinner or have any enquiries please contact Kathy on 0868676565.

**LECTIO DIVINA** with the Divine Mercy Image ~ A weekend Retreat starting on **Friday 27th December** at 7 pm and ending on **Tuesday 31st December** approx. 2 pm. The retreat teaches how to do Lectio Divina and gives you a chance to practice it. It is a time of silence and a time to meet with God in the depths of your heart, through the Scripture. In this special time, just after Christmas, we will want to look at the mystery of Incarnation, which reveals to us how Merciful God really is. It is also a time of the end of the calendar year, so a good occasion to thank God for His many blessings in our life and ask for His grace for the new year. Bookings are required, so please email: [dvmletterkenny@gmail.com](mailto:dvmletterkenny@gmail.com) or phone: 9169934.

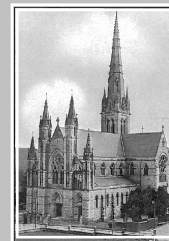
Many will know Myles Joseph Gallagher, who lives as a hermit in perpetual vows. He tells the story of his life in 'A LIFE LESS TRODDEN', which is available for viewing on YouTube.

**St. Eunan's GAA Club** would like to **THANK** all Volunteers in 2019 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.

**Mary's Meals Support Group** would like to **THANK** everyone who attended their Christmas Fayre in Trinity Hall recently. Over €4,600 was raised to feed the children. Sincere thanks to: Mr. & Mrs Claus and the two elves; Tony Duffy for the photography and Gary Mangan for the entertainment. Thank you to all who made crafts. Thanks to the Committee of Trinity Hall who donate the use of their premises to us. Thanks also to all the Mary's Meals Volunteers. We wish you all a happy and holy Christmas.

**ENCOUNTERING THE DIVINE MERCY IMAGE** will resume on **Thursday 9th January** in the Divine Mercy Centre at 8.15 pm.

The annual **HSE Retired Staff CHRISTMAS DINNER** will take place in the Mount Errigal Hotel on **Sunday 12th January** at 4 pm. For further information, please contact Angela on 086-0812354.



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

**Sunday 22nd December 2019**

*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**

**Sunday 22nd December: 3 pm - 6 pm**

**Monday 23rd December: 10.30 am - 12 noon and 8 pm**

### **CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE IN THE CATHEDRAL**

**CHRISTMAS EVE ~ Tuesday 24th December**

**MASS TIMES: 8 am, 10 am, 7.30 pm (FAMILY MASS)**

**and MIDNIGHT MASS - 12 midnight**

**CHRISTMAS DAY ~ Wednesday 25th December**

**MASS TIMES: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon**

The **ADORATION CHAPEL** will **CLOSE** at 9 pm on Christmas Eve and will **RE-OPEN** at **7 pm on Christmas Day**

O sweet child of Bethlehem, grant that we may share all our hearts in this profound mystery of Christmas. Put into the hearts of men and women this peace for which they sometimes seek so desperately, and which you alone can give them. Reveal to them also your beauty, holiness and purity. Awaken in their hearts love and gratitude for your infinite goodness. Join them all together in your love. And give us your heavenly peace. Amen. Pope Saint John XXIII, Christmas prayer.

**CHANGE OF MASS TIMES FOR SATURDAY EVENING AND SUNDAY EVENING** will commence on the weekend of the **4th/5th January**. The Saturday Evening Vigil Mass will be at **6 pm** and the Sunday Evening Mass will be at **6 pm**.

*We wish all Parishioners, families and friends  
a very Happy and Peace-filled 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. Amen.

Please CHECK if meetings are on this week before attending

**Priest on Duty: Fr. Kevin Gillespie**

**Sunday 22nd December ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent**

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

**Baptisms** - 1.30 pm

**St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open from 1 pm**

**Confessions: 3 pm - 6 pm**

**Pro-Life Rosary** ~ After the 6.30 pm Mass

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

**Al-Anon Meeting** in the Pastoral Centre - 8 pm

**Monday 23rd December ~ St. John of Kanty**

**8 am Mass** ~ Peter and Susan McGlynn RIP

**10 am Mass** ~ Ursula McGlynn RIP

**7.30 pm Mass** ~ ®

**Confessions: 10.30 am - 12 noon and 8 pm**

**St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open**

**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)

**Tuesday 24th December ~ Christmas Eve**

**8 am Mass** ~ Mamie and Patrick Boyce RIP

**10 am Mass** ~ ®

**7.30 pm ~ FAMILY MASS**

**12 midnight ~ MIDNIGHT MASS**

**St. Pius X Adoration Chapel will CLOSE at 9 pm**

**Legion of Mary Meeting** in the Divine Mercy Centre after 10 am Mass

**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)

**Wednesday 25th December ~ The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ**

**MASS TIMES:**

**8 am, 10 am and 12 noon**

**St. Pius X Adoration Chapel will OPEN at 7 pm**

**AA Meeting** in the Pastoral Centre ~ 11 am - 12.30 pm



**'The Word was made flesh, he lived among us'**

**Thursday 26th December ~ St. Stephen, First Martyr**

**10 am Mass only** ~ Beulah Cundy RIP

**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

Morning Prayer  
(9.40 am)

**Friday 28th December ~ St. John, Apostle and Evangelist**

**10 am Mass** ~ Joseph Dorrian RIP

**7.30 pm Mass** ~ Joan Butler (**Month's Mind Mass**), Conor 'Pyper' McLaughlin

(**Month's Mind Mass**), Kathleen McGlynn (**First Anniversary**), Hannah Gibbons,

Patrick Gibbons, Connie Harley, James Alcorn, Horace Friel Jnr., Lisa Shiels,

Vincent Neely, Brendan McDaid, Betty McDaid, Dan McDaid and Al McKenna RIP

**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

**Narcotics Anonymous** in the Pastoral Centre ~ 7 pm - 8 pm

Morning Prayer  
(9.40 am)  
Evening Prayer  
(7.10 pm)

**Saturday 28th December ~ The Holy Innocents, Martyrs**

**10 am Mass** ~ ®

**Baptisms** ~ 5 pm

**7.30 pm** ~ Vigil Mass

**Confessions** ~ 12 noon - 1 pm and after the 7.30 pm Mass

**AA Meeting** in the Pastoral Centre - 11 am

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

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Live **Web Streaming** from the Cathedral ~ [churchservices.tv/letterkenny](http://churchservices.tv/letterkenny)

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** ~ 16th December - €5,640

**PARISH EXPENDITURE:** €14,026.24

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church

**NEW YEAR DAY DINNER** for people living on their own will be held in Conwal Parish Hall from 1 pm to 4 pm. Transport can be arranged if required. Please contact Kathy on 0868676565 for further information.

**St. Vincent de Paul Letterkenny ~ 9129503/9122366**