

ALTAR SOCIETY CLEANING in preparation for Christmas will take place on **Monday 16th December** at 2 pm. All members are asked to attend.

The **CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS CARDS** (€5 per pack) are presently **ON SALE** in the Sacristy after all Masses, Veritas, Lower Main Street and from the Parochial House. The Recipient's intentions are included in all Masses in the Cathedral from 24th December until 1st January. Any profit will be donated to the local St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your support is much appreciated.

CATHEDRAL CLEANING will take place in preparation for Christmas on **Tuesday 17th December** after the 7.30 pm Mass. **All help appreciated.**

ENCOUNTERING THE DIVINE MERCY IMAGE which takes place in the Divine Mercy Centre has ended for this year and will resume on **Thursday 9th January** at 8.15 pm.

Today, Sunday 15th December, **Deacon Martin Connolly** from Stranorlar will be ordained to the Priesthood for the Missionary Institute of the Incarnate Word at their motherhouse on the outskirts of Rome. Rev. Martin has many family members living in the Letterkenny area. He will offer his **FIRST MASS** here in Ireland on **Friday 20th December** in the **Church of Mary Immaculate, Stranolar** at 7.30 pm.

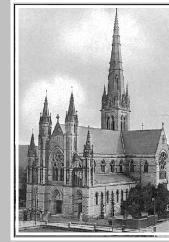
The next **ALZHEIMER CAFÉ** will be held in the Villa Rose Hotel, Ballybofey on **Wednesday 18th December** from 11 am to 1 pm.

The Staff and Pupils of Scoil Cholmcille warmly **INVITE YOU** to their annual **CAROL SERVICE** in the Cathedral on **Wednesday 18th December** at 1 pm.

'CAROLS AT CHRISTMAS with The Conwal Singers' will take place on Wednesday 18th December at 8 pm in Conwal Parish Church. Conducted by Karen Patton the singers will perform seasonal carols. Guests include: a String Quartet from Donegal Town, Martin McGinley, Eamonn Hutchinson and Kevin Fitzsimmons. Voluntary retiring collection followed by refreshments in Conwal Parish Centre

LETTERKENNY CAROL TRAIL will take place this **Friday, 20th December** at 7.30 pm. The Carol Trail will start at Trinity Presbyterian Church and will stop on Church Lane, Market Square, St. Eunan's Cathedral and Conwal Parish Church. Light refreshments afterwards in Conwal Parish Hall. All are welcome.

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 or phone: 9169934.



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 15th December 2019

Third Sunday of Advent

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness,
send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.
We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.

We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming
among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your
kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.
We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.
To you we say, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.

ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL CAROL SERVICE

We extend a warm welcome to all Parishioners and Visitors to Letterkenny to come and join in the singing of your favourite Carols, this evening, **Sunday 15th December** at 8 pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) for Christmas

Monday 16th December: 8 pm

Wednesday 18th December: 10.30 am to 12 noon and 8 pm

Thursday 19th December: 10.30 am to 12 noon and 8 pm

Friday 20th December: 10.30 am to 12 noon and 8 pm

Saturday 21st December: 10.30 am to 6 pm and 8 pm

Sunday 23rd December: 3 pm to 6 pm

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

BOXES OF SUNDAY ENVELOPES

Boxes of Envelopes are ready for distribution. If you distributed them last year, it would be great if you would do so again this year. For anyone living outside the Parish area and receives a Box of Envelopes, these boxes are ready for collection in the SACRISTY. If you are living in the Parish and would like to receive a box of Sunday envelopes for 2020 or set up a standing order, please contact the Parochial House on 9121021.

Priest on Duty: Fr. Philip Kemmy

Sunday 15th December

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

Baptisms ~ 1.30

St Pius X Adoration Chapel is open from 1 pm

Pro-Life Rosary ~ After the 6.30 pm Mass

Cathedral Junior Youth Prayer Group in the Conference Room - 7.30 pm

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

Al-Anon Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8 pm

Monday 16th December

8 am Mass ~ Redmond and Mary McMonagle RIP

10 am Mass ~ John and James Coll RIP

7.30 pm Mass ~ Kay and Tommy Gallagher and Deceased Members of the Gallagher and Nee Families RIP

Confessions at 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

Tuesday 17th December

8 am Mass ~ Brigid Lagan RIP

10 am Mass ~ ®

7.30 pm Mass ~ Owen McMonagle RIP

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

Holy Face Devotions in the Crib Room ~ 6.30 pm

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

Legion of Mary Meeting in the Parochial House - 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 18th December ~ St. Flannan

8 am Mass ~ Michael and Susan O'Boyle RIP

10 am Mass ~ Fr. Denis Curran RIP

7.30 pm Mass ~ Annabelle Fisher RIP (**Month's Mind Mass**)

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open

Cathedral Choir Practice in the Conference Room - 8 pm

Narcotics Anonymous in the Pastoral Centre ~ 8.30 pm

Morning Prayer:

9.40 am

Monday to Saturday

Evening Prayer:

7.10 pm

Monday to Friday

Thursday 19th December

8 am Mass ~ Jimmy Sweeney RIP

10 am Mass ~ ®

7.30 pm Mass ~ Patsy Shiels 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

Friday 20th December ~ St. Fachanan

8 am Mass ~ Brian, Eileen and Michael Dalton RIP

10 am Mass ~ Charlie Collins RIP

6 pm Mass ~ Mary Harley RIP (**Month's Mind Mass**)

7.30 pm Mass ~ Elizabeth Bradley, Willie Sweeney, Albert Sweeney, Thomas Sweeney, Thomas McGinty, Terry McDermott, Michael Friel, Willie Wiseman, Mary Mullen, Tony McGlynn, Elizabeth Drein, Molly Coyle, Francis Gillen and Bridie McBride RIP

St. Pius X Adoration Chapel is open ~ Mass at 8.30 pm

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

Gamblers' Anonymous Meeting in the Pastoral Centre - 8.30 pm

Saturday 21st December ~ St. Peter Canisius

10 am Mass ~ Josephine Keeney RIP (**Month's Mind Mass**)

Baptisms ~ 5 pm

7.30 pm ~ Vigil Mass


Confessions ~ 12 noon to 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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ~ 8th December: €5,676

PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €15,076.95

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church

Change of Mass times for Saturday and Sunday Evening Mass will be implemented on the weekend of 4th/5th January next. Until then, the schedule continues as normal.