

**The Cathedral schedule will continue behind closed doors  
it will not be possible for the public to be present at Masses or  
other liturgical celebrations.**

**Rosary & Examen with Bishop Alan nightly at 9.15 pm**

**Sunday 25th October**

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

**Monday 26th October ~ Bank Holiday**

**10 am Mass** ~ Kevin Peoples and Deceased Family Members RIP

**Tuesday 27th October ~ St. Otteran**

**8 am Mass** ~ Kathleen Blake RIP

**10 am Mass** ~ Donor's Intentions

**7 pm Mass** ~ Deceased Members of the Dorrian Family, Rahan RIP

**8 pm** ~ Holy Hour

**Wednesday 28th October ~ Ss. Simon and Jude, Apostles**

**8 am Mass** ~ Special Intention

**10 am Mass** ~ Special Intention

**7 pm Mass** ~ ®

**8 pm** ~ Youth 2000

**Thursday 29th October ~ St. Colman**

**8 am Mass** ~ Bridie Patton RIP

**10 am Mass** ~ ®

**7 pm Mass** ~ Tessie and Peter Wilkie RIP

**8 pm** ~ Holy Hour

**Friday 30th October**

**8 am Mass** ~ Special Intention

**1 pm** ~ Nuptial

**10 am Mass** ~ Edward, Mary, Annette and Gabriel Blake RIP

**7 pm Mass** ~ Barney Coyle (**First Anniversary**), Julia O'Hanlon, Martin Margey, Josie Callaghan, Annie Callaghan, Mary Ellen Crossan, Eddie Crossan, Fr. Seamus Crossan and Kathleen Gallagher RIP

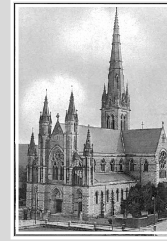
**Saturday 31st October ~ Bl. Dominic Collins**

**10 am Mass** ~ Michael Duffy RIP (**Month's Mind Mass**)

**Vigil Mass** ~ 6 pm

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LETTERKENNY ~ 9129503/9122366**

**Divine Mercy Chaplet and Holy Hour daily at 3 pm on the Divine Mercy Facebook Page/Cathedral Website, (Click the 'Mobile' button).**



**ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL  
LETTERKENNY**

**NEWSLETTER**

**Sunday 25th October, 2020**

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**WORSHIP GOD; LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR**

“Jesus said, ‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also’”.

As we face into our second month impeded from attending Mass, a suffering we share with our fellow Christians who are unable to gather for religious services, and indeed with non-Christians who cannot gather to worship Almighty God, we remind ourselves of the words of Bunreacht na h-Éireann (the Irish Constitution), article 44.1: “The State acknowledges that the homage of public worship is due to Almighty God. It shall hold His Name in reverence, and shall respect and honour religion”. These are striking words, and resonate with Our Lord's teaching in this Sunday's Gospel. They underpin the religious liberties enjoyed by everyone as a primordial right, that is to say a right that precedes any written law and pertains to the very nature of the human person. We do not often think of these things. We pass our lives concerned with the practicalities of everyday living – putting a home around us, raising a family, meeting our bills, looking after those who depend on us, and trying to secure the happiness that can at times be elusive or under threat by factors beyond our control – ill health, unemployment, intimidation in the home, the workplace, in society.

Sometimes, however, we must turn our minds to those rights and principals that hold it all together, that ensure our general liberty and freedom of action, and that forms the contract by which we live peaceably with our fellow citizens. When these are undermined or infringed, we encounter moments of controversy, when we call one another to account. We know there are rights and principals that are not of our making but written in our nature. They constitute the essence of our dignity as human beings. We are willing to make sacrifices so that they will be guaranteed to others. Many of us are

looking at the situation in the country and asking, what best serves the common good in this circumstance? What duty do I have towards my brother and sister? What sacrifice can I make?

But we must also ask: how can I worship God and serve Him? The worship of Almighty God is the bedrock of love our neighbour. How best can I do this when impeded from those sacred things He gave for His worship? How do I pray and feel myself part of the community at prayer dispersed throughout the parish, county and country? It is the most fundamental question of all.

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

**Phone: 074 - 9121021**

**Parish Email: [office@steunanscathedral.ie](mailto:office@steunanscathedral.ie)**

**Website: [www.steunanscathedral.ie](http://www.steunanscathedral.ie)  St. Eunan's Cathedral**

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

As far as possible ~ **please do what you can over the PHONE or by EMAIL**

When **VISITING THE CATHEDRAL FOR PRIVATE PRAYER** please remember the following:

- Please observe the two metre rule.
- Please sanitise your hands upon entrance and exit.
- Please wipe over the pew that you have been using.

Please **ARRANGE MASSES** through the Parish Office. (Mass offerings can be dropped into the Parochial House post box.)

To request an appointment with a Priest, please phone 9121021.

**SIGNED MASS CARDS** are available from the Parish Office, **please request by phone** and cards will be ready for collection.



From Sunday 1st November until Monday 9th November we will celebrate a **NOVENA of Masses for our Deceased Loved Ones**. (Sundays at 12 noon, Weekdays at 7 pm and Saturday at 6 pm). If you would like to include a list of your deceased, please place them either, in the **Safe at the Sacristy Door** or drop them into the **post box at the Parochial House**. Please **DO NOT** include money with your lists. Your lists will be placed in front of the Altar during these Masses.

### **LEVEL 5 RESTRICTIONS**

Under **Level 5 restrictions**, sadly the public **WILL NOT** be present at Masses.

**MASSES** will be offered behind closed doors and can be viewed online or by listening on the Parish receivers. (A limited number of receivers are still available, please contact the Parochial House).

**FUNERAL MASSES** are limited to **10 mourners**.

**WEDDINGS** are limited to 25 attendees. (Includes: Bride, Groom, Celebrant)

**BAPTISMS** are presently postponed. Parents must contact the Parochial House to reschedule.

### **OCTOBER 2020 CHALLENGE**

The **Raphoe Mission Team** have organised a '**Fast for October**' and are inviting you to participate. The idea is to have different people fasting on each day of the month with the intention of bringing about change for the better. We are asking you to fast on bread and water on **ONE** day of October and to pray a decade or even the whole rosary on that day. If you are unable to fast on bread and water for any reason, you can still participate. Why not consider fasting from tea/coffee, your phone, the internet, tv or anything else that would be a sacrifice for you.

Do you want change? Do you see that things are very bad in the world? Are there problems in your life? Is there something that you are struggling with? Our Lady has said that prayer and fasting can stop wars. Imagine what it could do in your life! To sign up for a day, please email: [fast@raphoemission.com](mailto:fast@raphoemission.com) and give your name, phone number and the date you are signing up to 'fast' on. You may fast on more than one day if you wish or if after doing your one day, you feel you would like to do another, you can email again to sign up for another day/days.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** ~ 18th October 2020 - €2,910

**PARISH EXPENDITURE** ~ €5,192.72

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church

We deeply appreciate your continued Spiritual and Financial support through these very difficult times. Please be assured of our Prayers.

### **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People**

**ALONE** manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week: 8 am - 8 pm, by calling 0818 222 024.