

**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 1st November ~ Feast of All Saints

Masses: 8 am, 10 am and 12 noon (Novena Mass)

Monday 2nd November ~ The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

MASS TIMES: 8 am 10 am and 7 pm (Novena Mass)

Tuesday 3rd November ~ St. Malachy

8 am Mass ~ Susan and Michael O'Boyle RIP
10 am Mass ~ Johnny and Dolores Blake RIP
7 pm Mass ~ Novena Mass
8 pm ~ Holy Hour

Wednesday 4th November ~ St. Charles Borromeo

8 am Mass ~ Isobel Browne RIP
10 am Mass ~ Louise Murphy RIP
7 pm Mass ~ Novena Mass
8 pm ~ Youth 2000

Thursday 5th November ~ St. Martin de Porres

8 am Mass ~ Special Intention
10 am Mass ~ Holy Souls
7 pm Mass ~ Novena Mass
8 pm ~ Holy Hour

Friday 6th November ~ All the Saints of Ireland

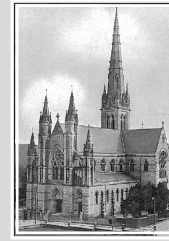
8 am Mass ~ Special Intention
10 am Mass ~ Natasha Rodgers RIP
7 pm Mass ~ Novena Mass

Saturday 7th November ~ St. Willibrord

10 am Mass ~ ®
Vigil Mass ~ 6 pm (Novena Mass)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LETTERKENNY ~ 9129503/9122366

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



**ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL
LETTERKENNY
NEWSLETTER
Sunday 1st November, 2020
*Feast of All Saints***

November, known traditionally as the Month of the Holy Souls, begins with the two great feast days, All Saints (1st November) and All Souls (2nd November). These feast days are intimately related. On All Saints Day we remember the simple reassurance that there are souls that have lived according to the Gospel in great fidelity. They have lived the commandments as Our Lord teaches us. They have lived according to the Holy Spirit who is in us from the day of our baptism. Life in the Spirit is a life that actively desires the holiness that belongs to God, to be filled with His grace, to put aside sin, to know the mercy of God and to show it forth. Although we might look at our own Christian lives and wonder if we can attain to this kind of life, we know it is the good and beautiful life that Jesus wants for us. We also know that we have known many souls whose interior life and whose actions in thought, word and deed have manifested a deep union with God. Their love of Jesus is evident. The life of the Spirit in them bears fruit. These are the saints who have merited, through the mercy of God, to be joined with Him in heaven. We celebrate them, countless and unnamed, on All Saints Day.

All Souls Day reminds us perhaps more readily of the state of our own souls, how we do not manifest the holiness of God as we would like to, that His Spirit has not entered into every corner of our being to make it like himself. Am I fit to stand in the presence of Him who is Holy, Holy, Holy? It is this awareness, and the Christian relationship between hope and humility – the hope of Heaven and union with God, the humility of looking at our lives in the light of truth - that leads us to pray for the dead, since we know that God does not give up His desire to purify our will and lead us to himself. The work of conversion uncomplete here below continues beyond, in that place we call Purgatory. The souls there are purified by hope and love, of all that does not belong to God. They are filled instead with a longing for union with God and that alone. It is this longing for union with God that unites us all, both in Heaven and on earth. It is for this reason that we pray for the dead: that they might enjoy union with God in holiness. It is the desire for union with God that marks the solidarity of all the baptised, those who are on their pilgrimage here below, those who are completing their pilgrimage in Purgatory, those who have reached their home in Heaven with God.

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

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Website: www.steunanscathedral.ie  St. Eunan's Cathedral
Live **Web Streaming** from the Cathedral ~ churchservices.tv/letterkenny

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

**Please note the following for attending Mass on Sundays
WHEN the Government Restrictions are lifted**

- Because of the limited number of places, it is necessary to signal your Sunday Mass preference to the parish office. **There is limited availability for the following Sunday Masses: Saturday 6 pm; Saturday 7.30 pm, Sunday 11 am and Sunday 6 pm**
- **It is not necessary to have a seat allocated for weekday Mass.** Please leave **10 am Mass** to the elderly and those with underlying conditions.
- **Please LEAVE Friday evening Mass** to the families of the deceased.
- **Please LEAVE Month's Mind Masses** to the family of the deceased.
- Please follow this simple principle when taking a seat: **TWO PEOPLE PER PEW, OR ONE HOUSEHOLD.**
- Please observe the two metre rule when entering the Cathedral, going for Holy Communion or exiting the Cathedral, and at all times both inside and in the grounds of the Cathedral.
- Please **wear a mask in the Cathedral** unless a medical condition prevents you from doing so. This is for your own protection and out of consideration for those in the Cathedral with you.
- **Please sanitise your hands upon entrance and exit.**
- Please **do not** congregate at the doors or in the Cathedral grounds.
- **Sacristy Access:** To minimise risk to our Sacristy and Volunteers, **it will not be possible to allow general access to the Sacristy** for the time being.
- Please **arrange Masses** through the Parish Office and arrange to meet with a Priest at the Parochial House - 9121021. (Mass offerings can be dropped into the Parochial House post box.)
- **Signed Mass Cards** are available from the Parish Office, **please request by phone** and cards will be ready for collection.



Please do not attend the Cathedral if you have a high temperature, cough, sneezing or any signs of Covid-19.

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 **25 mourners**.

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

BAPTISMS are postponed at present.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Bishop McGuckian will lead prayers for the Dead on Sunday at 3pm **via the webcam** / local radio signal.

FAST FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

The Raphoe Mission Team have organised a fast for the month of November for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Holy Souls need our prayers and sacrifices We are asking that you would commit to one day (or more to fasting on bread and water for the Holy Souls. If for medical or other reasons, you cannot fast on bread and water, please consider some other form of sacrifice which you can offer to God for the Souls in Purgatory. We ask that you pray the prayers that are available on the Fasting Ireland Facebook page on the day of your fast also, and throughout the whole month of November if you are able to do so. The Holy Souls may not be able to pray for themselves, but they can intercede for us. We have also included a prayer asking their intercession for us, to be said on the fast day. We are in very troubled times. The pandemic is bringing to light a lot of brokenness in our world. The closing of businesses and churches is putting a lot of strain on people. So many are suffering from illness. Why not pray for the Souls in Purgatory and in return pray this prayer asking for their intercession for your needs or intentions. The Holy Souls will only too gladly intercede for their benefactors. Please go to Fasting Ireland Facebook Page or email fast@raphoemission.com or text 089 448 1656, giving your name and phone number (so that we can send a reminder).

ALTAR SOCIETY ROTA:

6th & 13th November - M. Doherty, E. Williams, C. Patton, G. Kelly

20th & 27th November - Adrienne McGlinchey's Team

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ~ 25th October 2020 - €2807

PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €7055.53

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church