

SUNDAY ENVELOPES & DONATIONS ~ 30th May - €5,696

PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €6,694.36

DONATIONS ~ 1 x €200, 1 x €100 and 1 x €40

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church

We deeply appreciate your continued Spiritual and Financial support.

Sacristy Access: It 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.

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

Worldpriest Annual Global ROSARY RALLY for the Sanctification of Priests will take place on **Friday 11th June**. We will participate in this Rosary at 8.15 pm from St. Eunan's Cathedral praying the Glorious Mysteries.

JOB VACANCY-GENERAL OPERATIVE based in Letterkenny: Duties to include general caretaking indoor/outdoor: grass cutting, weeding, edging, litter control, light maintenance and cleaning. Accredited training will be provided to support your career. For further information contact Letterkenny Together CES CLG on 9120654 or cregan@letterkennytogether.ie

North West Simon Community Dip & Donate Challenge takes place anytime from **18th - 21st June**. We are calling on all sea swimmers, fitness enthusiasts and everyone in between, to take the challenge in support of those facing homelessness in the North West. Please register at: <https://www.northwestsimon.ie/dip-donate-challenge/> or if you are unable to take part, a donation can be made directly to: www.northwestsimon.ie/donate-now

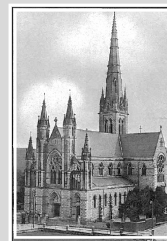
Below 'Live Broadcast' on the Cathedral Website you have the following:

PLAYER	SCHEDULES	RECORDINGS	FEATURED VIDEOS
Church	Mobile		

Please 'click' on the **Mobile** button to get live streaming from the Divine Mercy Centre at 3 pm

We have uploaded a number of videos under 'Featured Videos' on our website, for Parents, in Preparation for their child's Baptism.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LETTERKENNY ~ 9129503/9122366



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 6th June 2021

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

WITHOUT SUNDAY WE CANNOT LIVE

This time last year, we were still unable to gather together for Mass, let alone to celebrate Corpus Christi. The experience of lockdown and deprivation of Mass has been an awful experience for us for whom the Mass is everything. And why is the Mass everything? Well, to begin with, we simply respond to the Lord's commandment: *Do this in memory of me*. Reflecting further on his words, we realise that we do not take part in an act of remembrance alone, but that there is something real here. He told us: *This is my body; this is the chalice of my blood*. We are aware that the Apostles understood him to mean this truly and really, and that they gathered for the Breaking of Bread, accompanied by reading the Scriptures and prayers, with hymns and psalms.

By faith, we become aware that we not only enact a ritual, but take part in a sacred reality: we are present at the mystery of the Lord's death and resurrection. In our spiritual lives, in prayer, we realise that the Lord is here. He is present. We realise that he comes inside of us to live within us and to nourish us: *he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him*.

But this year, we surely also realise with relief how much we need the Mass. In 302, the Christians of Abitinae, faced with the Emperor Diocletian's prohibition on possessing the Scriptures, celebrating the Eucharist or building churches, declared: "sine dominico non possumus" – We cannot live without Sunday. They were martyred for it. For them, the Eucharist was everything – their life, their identity, the very sustenance of their souls, without which they would be adrift personally and socially.

A few years ago, Fr. Ragheed Ganni (who had studied at the Irish College, Rome and worked during the summers at Lough Derg), explained to the Eucharistic Congress at Bari in 2005 that, for the people of his native Iraq, the same was true: in the face of terrible danger to their lives, the Christians gathered for the Sunday Eucharist: without Sunday they could not live. Two years later, on the 3rd June 2007, he gave his life for them when he was gunned down with three sub-deacons after Mass at his parish church of the Holy Spirit.

There are many who bear the name of Christian today, it must be recognised, who, although washed in baptism by the blood of Christ, approach Sunday and its Eucharist with indifference, often completely unaware, despite our ancient Christian culture, of what the Eucharist is; many simply do not understand that the Eucharist is Christ himself, sacramentally and truly.

The lockdown prohibitions are surely a moment when every Catholic Christian must ask themselves: do we, with our brothers and sisters of ancient Abitinae, modern day Iraq, and countless other places, declare by word, action and attitude: without Sunday we cannot live?

Please note the following guidelines for attending Mass under current Covid-19 restrictions:

- You may come each weekend to your allocated Mass.
 - 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 Masses/Month's Mind Masses/First Anniversary Masses** to the families 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 **do not attend the Cathedral** if you have a cough, sneezing or any signs of Covid-19.
 - **Please sanitise your hands upon entrance and exit.**
 - Please **do not** congregate at the doors or in the Cathedral grounds.
1. **FUNERALS** will take place from Monday - Saturday at 11 am.
 2. There will be **NO Sunday Funerals** at the Cathedral for the time being.
 3. The congregation should not exceed 50 mourners (**close family and close friends**). Social distancing must be adhered to for entry, exit and seating.
 4. All present should wear masks if at all possible.
 5. At the graveside, it remains important to maintain the two metre rule.
- ♦ **BAPTISMS** are being celebrated separately for each child: Saturday and Sunday: 2.30 pm and 4 pm. (Times may vary according to our schedule)
 - ♦ Presently, Parents, child (children) and two Godparents permitted.
 - ♦ Public health guidance requires that there be no unnecessary movement in public settings. Therefore, it will not be possible to have group photography or movement beyond the baptistery. One person should be asked to photograph the ceremony; these can be shared with others present.

Sunday 6th June ~ Corpus Christi

Masses: 8 am, 9.30 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm and 6 pm
Holy Hour ~ 7.30 pm

Monday 7th June ~ St. Colman

10 am Mass ~ Paddy, Mary, Michael and Eileen McGroarty
7 pm Mass ~ Triduum in honour of St. Colmcille

Tuesday 8th June

8 am Mass ~ Noel O'Reilly RIP
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention
6.15 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions
7 pm Mass ~ Triduum in honour of St. Colmcille

Wednesday 9th June ~ St. Colmcille

8 am Mass ~ Mary Rose and Michael McBride RIP
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention
7 pm Mass ~ Triduum - Feast of St. Colmcille
8 pm ~ Youth 2000 Holy Hour

Thursday 10th June ~ St. Ephrem

8 am Mass ~ Holy Souls RIP
10 am Mass ~ Mary Diver RIP (First Anniversary)
7 pm Mass ~ James O'Regan RIP

Friday 11th June ~ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8 am Mass ~ Val McLaughlin RIP (First Anniversary)
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention
7 pm Mass ~ Claudia Nee (First Anniversary), Eddie Curran, Peter Bradley, Patsy Bradley, Madeline Bradley, Teddy Blaney, Patrick O'Hagan and Claire Creevy RIP
8.15 pm ~ Worldpriest Annual Global Rosary Rally

Saturday 12th June ~ The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10 am Mass ~ Priest's Intention
6 pm ~ Vigil Mass
7.30 pm ~ Vigil Mass

Sunday 13th June

Masses: 8 am, 9.30 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm and 6 pm

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