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WALKING DAILY IN TRUST - JOSEPH OF EGYPT

You are **INVITED** to a short **RETREAT, 2 pm - 5.30 pm** on **Saturday 17th July**, in the Divine Mercy Centre, Letterkenny. This retreat is the first in a cycle entitled: *Walking daily in trust*. Throughout the cycle, we wish to learn from various biblical figures (this time it's Joseph, the son of Jacob), how to journey everyday with God, to learn to trust and obey Him more and more. Due to the pandemic we are operating with limited numbers. Therefore bookings are essential. To sign up please contact us via email: dvmletterkenny@gmail.com or call at 074-9169934. *Please remember to wear a face covering.*

PRAYING WITH THE BIBLE RETREAT

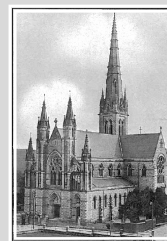
You are invited to this **SILENT RETREAT** and in it experience a time of listening to God's word. That's the purpose of silence in this retreat - it's not so much a discipline in itself but it is a measure to enable us to hear what God has to say to each of us. We will be praying with the Scripture using an ancient practice of the Church known as *Lectio Divina* (literally: Divine Reading). The retreat is offered **only as a residential one**. All meals will be provided. If you have any dietary requirements please let us know when you sign up. We commence **Friday, 23rd July** at 6 pm and conclude Sunday 25th July after lunch (approximately at 2 pm) in the Divine Mercy Centre, Letterkenny. Please take your Bible, a notebook, any personal belongings that you need and don't forget a face covering. We're operating with a reduced capacity to ensure the safety of all. To sign up please email: dvmletterkenny@gmail.com or call us at 074-9169934

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. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 11th July 2021

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE MASS – A SACRIFICE

The Mass is in the nature of a sacrifice. A sacrifice is an offering of something to God asking for His consideration and mercy. St. Thomas Aquinas considered that it stems from a basic virtue in human nature, *religio* – the virtue of religion, namely the instinct of the human soul to seek out and worship God, to be in union with Him.

The sacrifice of the Old Testament was set down by God for His people through the Law given to Moses. Culminating at the Passover, this involved a bloody sacrifice of lambs, performed at the Temple in Jerusalem by priests drawn from the Tribe of Levi – the Levites, or the Levitical priesthood. Zachariah, the Father of John the Baptist, was one such priest, and received the divine message that told of John's conception and birth while he was performing the sacred rituals.

The Last Supper was the Passover meal. It was a sacrificial meal. Jesus transformed this sacrificial meal into a sacrament, namely a means by which His sacrifice on the cross would be an "abiding memorial" for us, His disciples. The death and resurrection of Christ on the Cross is the Passover of Jesus, the sacrifice by which He redeems all mankind and forgives our sins. Christ is the Eternal Priest, He himself is the sacrifice and the place of sacrifice. This sacrifice is made present in an un-bloody manner in the Mass.

To understand the Mass properly, therefore, we must keep in mind that the Last Supper, the Crucifixion and death of our Lord, and His Resurrection are, as it were, one reality and not a series of separate events. As the Catechism puts it: "The sacrifice of Christ and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are one single sacrifice: 'The victim is one and the same: the same now offers through the ministry of priests, who then offered himself on the cross; only the manner of offering is different'" (n. 1367). The Last Supper holds the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, makes it present, and feeds us with its saving food. The Mass is a sacrifice, a sacrament and a source of saving food for the Lord's disciples.

“Wear the Scapular devoutly and perseveringly. It is my garment. To be clothed in it means you are continually thinking of me, and I in turn, am always thinking of you and helping you to secure Eternal Life.”

Our Lady of Mount Carmel to St. Simon Stock

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.
- It is **not 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

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 11th July

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

Monday 12th July

8 am Mass ~ Michael and Teresa McArdle RIP
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention

Tuesday 13th July ~ St. Henry

8 am Mass ~ Jim Friel RIP
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention
6.15 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions

Wednesday 14th July ~ St. Camillus de Lellis

8 am Mass ~ James and Kathleen Bradley RIP
10 am Mass ~ Maria Butler RIP (First Anniversary)

Thursday 15th July ~ St. Bonaventure

8 am Mass ~ Special Intention
10 am Mass ~ Kathleen Lally RIP

Friday 16th July ~ Our Lady of Mount Carmel

8 am Mass ~ Special Intention
10 am Mass ~ Sheena Dillon RIP
7 pm Mass ~ John Dowling (Month’s Mind Mass), Jackie Deery (First Anniversary), Sue McCormack, Bobby Orr, Andrew McCool and Michael Henry RIP

Saturday 17th July

10 am Mass ~ Nora Cannon RIP (Month’s Mind Mass)
6 pm ~ Vigil Mass **7.30 pm** ~ Vigil Mass

Sunday 11th June

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

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In his message, Pope Francis outlines some important changes that have been made to the structure of the **10th World Meeting of Families** in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. The WMOF2022 is being hosted by the Diocese of Rome but the changes being introduced will see a much greater focus on the local Church. Please visit: <https://youtu.be/FTKeQXY2DEY>