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FREE Courses for unemployed women in Donegal ~ WISE – Women's Integration Skills & Employment is a free service for unemployed women in Donegal to assist and support women into education, employment and self-employment. As part of our service, we are offering FREE Paediatric First Aid, Customer Service and Personal Development courses to women who sign up with WISE. All courses beginning in September. First come, first served. For more information please contact: Grainne 086-1452250; Penny 086-1452252 or Michelle 086-1452249. WISE is co-funded by the Department of Justice & Equality and the European Social Fund as part of the PEIL Programme 2014-2020. (Programme for Employability, Inclusion & Learning).

A BAKE SALE will be held outside Greene's Market Centre on **Monday 2nd August** from 10 am - 1 pm.
 Money raised will go to **NET Ministries**.
 Your support would be appreciated.

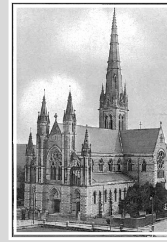


ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LETTERKENNY ~ 9129503/9122366

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

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

PLAYER	SCHEDULES	RECORDINGS	FEATURED VIDEOS
Church	Mobile		



**ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL
 LETTERKENNY
 NEWSLETTER**

Sunday 1st August 2021

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE MASS – JESUS' OFFERING AND OURS

At the offertory of the Mass, the priest invites the people to "pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father". The prayer reminds us that at the Mass there are two sacrifices that are joined together: there is the sacrifice of the Mass itself, which we have considered, and there is the personal sacrifice of their very being that each of the Lord's disciples is called to. The eternal sacrifice of Christ on the cross is made present to us in the Mass. It is as if we were present there, and can see the light of the resurrection already shining through the wounds of Christ.

The physical suffering of Jesus on the cross, however, is the physical manifestation of the sacrifice of his will. In Gethsemane he prayed, "Father let this cup pass from me, but let not my but your will be done". The Son is continuously, and through all eternity, giving himself to the Father. This is the relationship that he invites us into and makes it possible for us to live.

At the creation, we were made for relationship with God. The Genesis account of the Fall, of the rebellion of Adam and Eve, teaches us that from the harmony of relationship with God we were thrown into turmoil by rejecting His will, by the disobedience of our hearts which have rebelled against His word. Jesus came to do the will of the Father, and to enable us, by salvation and grace, to re-enter the harmonious relationship of also doing the will of the Father.

St. Paul teaches us that we are called to "offer our bodies as a living sacrifice". What he means by this is that we offer who we are in the very depth of our being, to make a sacrifice of our will in its deepest sense as we seek to do in every circumstance what is pleasing to God. On our own we cannot manage it: our wills are weakened by sin. We need the help of God's grace. In fact, we need the Mass, for it is only from Christ's sacrifice that we can derive the grace to join our offering with his. Without joining ourselves to him, we will never overcome our weakness. So it is that our offering at Mass, no more than Christ's, is not that moment only, but makes present the offering of our whole being and lives. We acknowledge the weakness of our offering, we acknowledge our need of conversion and grace, and we seek to join our offering with that of Jesus in the Mass, the acceptable sacrifice that takes our sins away.

Diploma in Pastoral Theology ~ This part-time two year course will commence in September. During the course participants will: study and reflect on Christian life and ministry; combine pastoral theology and the acquisition of skills with supervised experience in pastoral placements; develop the skills of theological reflection, so as to enable them to relate theology and ministry to everyday life. A poster with full details is up on the Cathedral outdoor Noticeboard. Full details about the course can be found at: www.drumalis.co.uk ~ This course is validated by St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

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 1st August

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

Monday 2nd August ~ St. Eusebius of Vercelli/St. Peter Julian Eymard

NO 8 am Mass
10 am Mass ~ Eddie McFadden RIP

Tuesday 3rd August

8 am Mass ~ Shaun Graham RIP
10 am Mass ~ Michael (Mickey) Ronaghan RIP (Month's Mind Mass)
6.15 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions

Wednesday 4th August ~ St. John Mary Vianney, priest

8 am Mass ~ Michael and Mary Rose McBride RIP
10 am Mass ~ Benny Daly RIP

Thursday 5th August ~ The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

8 am Mass ~ Bosco Fernandes RIP
10 am Mass ~ Greta Donnelly RIP

Friday 6th August ~ The Transfiguration of the Lord

8 am Mass ~ Mary O'Donnell RIP
10 am Mass ~ Thomas and Margaret Kelly RIP
7 pm Mass ~ Tommy Peoples and Lorna Larkin RIP

Saturday 7th August ~ St. Sixtus II, pope and Companions, martyrs

10 am Mass ~ Joe Winston RIP (Month's Mind Mass)
6 pm ~ Vigil Mass **7.30 pm ~ Vigil Mass**

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DIVINE MERCY CENTRE ~ Sisters of Merciful Jesus
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Diocese of Raphoe **VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE** will take place on **Sunday 22nd August**. Celebrant: **Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ**. Due to the pandemic and restrictions you are encouraged to join the Pilgrimage via: www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live ~ Rosary at 2.30 pm and Mass at 3 pm.