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“In dangers, in doubts, in difficulties, think of Mary, call upon Mary. Let not her name depart from your lips, never suffer it to leave your heart. And that you may more surely obtain the assistance of her prayer, neglect not to walk in her footsteps. With her for guide, you shall never go astray; while invoking her, you shall never lose heart; so long as she is in your mind, you are safe from deception; while she holds your hand, you cannot fall; under her protection you have nothing to fear; if she walks before you, you shall not grow weary; if she shows your favour, you shall reach the goal”.

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

“What will it cost you, oh Mary, to hear our prayer? What will it cost you to save us? Has not Jesus placed in your hands all the treasures of His grace and mercy? You sit crowned Queen at the right hand of your son: your dominion reaches as far as the heavens and to you are subject the earth and all creatures dwelling thereon. Your dominion reaches even down into the abyss of hell, and you alone, oh Mary save us from the hands of Satan”.

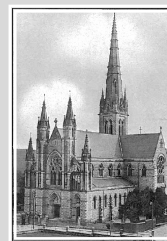
St. Pius X

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
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ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 15th August 2021

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

THE MASS – THE CHURCH AT PRAYER

We have a very personal relationship with the Mass. Perhaps at times we forget that the Mass is an action of the Church and not of an individual believer alone. Many of us are more aware of this after our return from the separation and isolation of the lockdowns. When the Mass is offered, the whole Church is at prayer. This is true of every sacrament, and of the Liturgy of the Hours (of which we say Morning Prayer or *Lauds* each weekday in the Cathedral before 10 am Mass). Both aspects are present. Both must be appreciated and respected.

Faith itself is intensely personal. The temptation is to make it private; but we cannot believe on our own. Every believer is a member of the believing community. So, when we come to Mass, we come with deep personal faith, and with a desire to have that personal encounter with the Lord through his word and sacrament, but we also come with an awareness of joining the praying community. While our normal experience of this is the local community in which we happen to live – the parish – it must also include an awareness of being part of the wider community of the Church.

In the first place, the parish community is part of the wider diocesan community, under the guidance of its bishop. This then is part of the whole community of the Church throughout the world, under the guidance of the Pope. Have you noticed: we pray for our own bishop and for the Pope in every Mass; this is a sign of our relationship with them which belongs to the very nature of the Church. This bond of unity is not a matter of membership or belonging alone, but of the profession of the one faith and worship according to it. But the Church is not merely all those believers who happen to walk together as pilgrims making their way in a particular period of history towards eternity, it is the community of all the baptised – the pilgrim disciples on the earth, our brothers and sisters labouring in purgatory, and the countless saints in heaven who enjoy the rewards of fidelity have been filled with the holiness of God Himself.

When the Mass is celebrated, the whole Church in heaven and on earth is in some way present. This partly explains, despite some variation, why the Mass is the same throughout the world. It is not the action of the celebrant alone, nor of the local community alone, but of the whole Church at prayer. We celebrate

a common ritual because we profess a common faith. The Mass itself is a mark of both faith and unity. This is the meaning of each believer being “in communion” with the whole Church: this phrase does not refer in the first place to the reception of Holy Communion, but the profession of the one faith in the presence of the believing community. Thus it becomes clear that in presenting oneself to receive Holy Communion, one is making a declaration of professing the one faith in common with the believing community of the Church throughout the world and throughout the ages.

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 15th August

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

Monday 16th August ~ St. Stephen of Hungary

8 am Mass ~ George Boyle RIP
10 am Mass ~ Jim Curistan RIP

Tuesday 17th August ~ Our Lady of Knock

8 am Mass ~ Special Intention
10 am Mass ~ Neil and Katie Toner RIP

Wednesday 18th August

8 am Mass ~ Brigid McLaughlin and Deceased Members of the Craig Family RIP
10 am Mass ~ Tony Campbell RIP

Thursday 19th August ~ St. John Eudes

8 am Mass ~ John Boyle RIP
10 am Mass ~ Rose and Hubert O’Donnell RIP

Friday 20th August ~ St. Bernard of Clairvaux

8 am Mass ~ Doreen Geoghegan RIP
10 am Mass ~ Priest’s Intention
7 pm Mass ~ Martin Joseph Doherty (**First Anniversary**), Patrick Nee, Bernadette O’Donnell, Brigid Friel, Mason Anderson, John McGeever, Sarah McGeever, Grace Marley, Eileen O’Doherty and James Ferry RIP

Saturday 21st August ~ St. Pius X

10 am Mass ~ Priest’s Intention
6 pm ~ Vigil Mass **7.30 pm ~ Vigil Mass**

Sunday 22nd August

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

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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/Mass at 3 pm.