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**SUNDAY COLLECTION** ~ 15th May - €4,003

**PARISH EXPENDITURE** ~ €13,319.75

**DONATIONS** to the Parish ~ 2 x €50 and 2 x €20

**Thank you for your gift to God and His Church**

**We deeply appreciate your continued Spiritual and Financial support.**

**To BOOK A BAPTISM** please phone the Parochial House on 9121021.

**Please remember: Godparents:** (1 male and 1 female over the age of 16).

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** ~ We have uploaded a number of videos under 'Featured Videos' for Parents, in Preparation for their child's Baptism on our website: www.steunanscathedral.ie

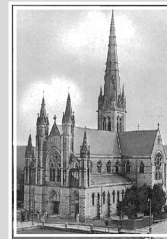
**COMMUNITY HERITAGE GROUP** - The Mural Project in the Hugh Duffy Car Park/Old Mart Site, will be officially launched on **Sunday 22nd May** at 4 pm. It commemorates some local historical places and people who contributed to the life of the town and area. Refreshments afterwards in the Station House Hotel.

The **PRAY FOR LIFE NOVENA** is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Monday 23rd May to the Feast of the Visitation on the 31st May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Please visit [www.prayforlife.ie](http://www.prayforlife.ie) for the daily novena prayers. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

A **DANCE IN AID OF THE ALZHEIMERS BRANCH (DONEGAL)** will be held in the Clanree Hotel on **Saturday 4th June** from 9 pm - 12 midnight. Music by Evelyn & Friends. Tickets are on sale at the Clanree Hotel or Pay at door.

**CALLING ALL ADORERS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** in the Raphoe Diocese: The **National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock** is on **Saturday 18th June** (Corpus Christi weekend). Bus leaving Letterkenny for Knock at 7.30 am sharp, cost €25. To enquire or book a seat, please ring 086-3074435. For additional information, please visit: [www.eucharisticadoration.ie](http://www.eucharisticadoration.ie)

**HEALING AND RENEWAL RETREAT** ~ will take place in the Tara Hotel, Killybegs on Friday 27th May (4 pm - 10 pm), Saturday 28th May (9.30 am - 10 pm) & Sunday 29th May (9.30 am - 5 pm). It will be led by Eddie Stones, Emmanuel House, accompanied by Fr. Brendan Kilcoyne & deacon John Taffe. For details please contact the Tara Hotel on 9741700 or Seamus on 085-1742434. Fee: €30.



## ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

**Sunday 22nd May 2022**

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

### **THE MASS – SACRED VESTMENTS**

The sacred vestments worn by priests at Mass are the Chasuble and stole, worn over an alb that is held by a cincture; the amice may be worn around the neck underneath the alb. Each vestment has its own significance, but as a whole they signify that the priest is being removed from the realm of the everyday and placed in the service of the sacred and eternal. The alb is a long and spacious white garment, from the neck to the heel, with long sleeves. It is, in fact, the most basic vestment of all. In a sense, it is common to all the baptised. The baptised are dressed in white garments to signify that they are washed clean in the blood of the Lamb.

In the Book of the Apocalypse, Saint John is granted an extraordinary vision of the heavenly liturgy, where the redeemed serve and praise God without end. We read: "Then one of the elders addressed me: 'These in white robes,' he asked, 'who are they, and where have they come from?' 'Sir,' I answered, 'you know.' So he replied, 'These are the ones who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason, they are before the throne of God and serve Him day and night in His temple'" (Apoc. 7:13-15a).

The alb is fixed by a cincture or chord, customarily white [The amice – a square piece of white material - is worn customarily around the neck and underneath the alb, simply to keep it clean]. The chasuble and stole are the distinctive priestly vestments. The stole is a long thin strip of fabric that hangs from the neck. The stole signifies the authority with which the priest is imbued as a sacred minister to preach the Gospel and administer the Sacrament. Thus it is worn even without the chasuble, either on its own or with other vestments [we are used to seeing priests use a violet stole to hear confessions, when anointing the sick or bringing them Holy Communion, etc.]. Over the stole is worn the chasuble. This is known as the vestment of charity, for it signifies the love of Christ, which covers and imbues all things. It is the vestment of the Mass, and can vary in shape and form, as it has in its development over the centuries. When putting on each of

the vestments described above, the priest may say certain prayers that suggest the spiritual significance of each vestment. Other than these vestments, the priest may wear a cope for certain liturgies [Baptism, Benediction, Receiving remains, Processions, etc.]; the cope is a wide cloak worn over the alb and stole. Like the chasuble, it can vary in colour depending on the nature of the celebration or season. For some sacred functions, the priest may choose to wear a simple surplice over his soutane or cassock, often with a stole placed over it; the surplice is a shortened alb.

### Return to Parish Life • Renewal of Spiritual Life

You are warmly invited to come to our **PARISH MISSION** at St. Eunan's Cathedral from **Sunday 29th May to Pentecost Sunday 5th June** led by **Holy Family Mission**. Our Mission will open at Sunday Masses 28th/29th May. **Sunday 29th May** • 7 pm • Holy Hour for Success of the Mission.

**Monday to Friday** • Daily Schedule • 7.30 am and 10 am: Morning Mission Mass  
**Monday to Friday** • Evening Liturgy • 7 pm ~ **Monday 30th May**: Mass; **Tuesday 31st May**: Anointing of the Sick and May Procession; **Wednesday 1st June**: Reconciliation Liturgy; **Thursday 2nd June**: Eucharistic Healing and **Friday 3rd June**: Mass and Youth Night.

**Saturday 4th June** • Family Day: 10 am Morning Mass; Family Mission Day and 6 pm Solemn Vigil of Pentecost

**Sunday 5th June** • Pentecost Sunday • Closing of Mission at all Masses.

Some **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** for a few aspects of the Parish Mission: for the May procession on **Tuesday 31st**, and the **Family Day** on **Saturday 4th June**. There will be a meeting in the **Conference Room** on **Tuesday 24th May** at 8.30 pm.

### CATHEDRAL ALTAR SOCIETY ROTA

27th May & 3rd June ~ Team 5 • M. McLaughlin, V. Molloy, K. McBride & R. Peacock

10th & 17th June ~ Team 1 • M. McBride, D. Lynch, E. Friel & E. McCormick

24th June & 1st July ~ Team 2 • B. Williams, C. Patton and G. Kelly

8th & 15th July ~ Team 4 • M. McHale, F. Tunney, C. O'Donnell & M. Sweeney

22nd & 29th July ~ Team 3 • A. McGlinchey, S. Lafferty, D. Boyce & C. Callan

**PILGRIMAGE TO MOUNT MELLERAY** ~ A bus will leave Letterkenny on **Saturday 4th June** for Melleray. Booking is essential. Please phone Bernie on 087-1276548 for further information.

**ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY** will take place in Knock on **Saturday 4th June**. Main Celebrant: Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Papal Nuncio to Ireland. A bus will leave Letterkenny Cathedral Car Park at 9 am on the 4th June. To book, please contact: Caroline on 087-1548184 or Veronica on 087-7970531

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LETTERKENNY 9129503/9122366**

### Sunday 22nd May ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm  
 7 pm ~ May Devotions

### Monday 23rd May

8 am Mass ~ Jim Friel RIP 10 am Mass ~ Duncan and Madgeina Doherty RIP

### Tuesday 24th May ~ Day of prayer for the Church in China

8 am Mass ~ Raymond Gallagher RIP  
 10 am Mass ~ Rose and Pat Doherty RIP  
 7 pm Mass ~ Kathleen McPetrie (nee McGlynn) RIP

### Wednesday 25th May ~ St. Bede the Venerable

8 am Mass ~ Elizabeth and Joseph Keane and Deceased Members of the Keane and Ginnelly Families RIP  
 10 am Mass ~ Jim and Ellen Gallagher RIP  
 7 pm Mass ~ Barney and Annie Doherty and Deceased Members of the Doherty and Murphy Families RIP  
 Confessions after the 7 pm Mass 8 pm: Youth 2000 Prayer Group

### Thursday 26th May ~ St. Philip Neri

8 am Mass ~ Peter Curran RIP  
 10 am Mass ~ Dr. Tim and Claire McBride RIP  
 4.30 pm Mass ~ Loreto Leaving Cert Mass  
 7 pm Mass ~ Felip King RIP (First Anniversary)  
 8 pm: Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room

### Friday 27th May ~ St. Augustine of Canterbury

8 am Mass ~ Teresa Mendes RIP 10 am Mass ~ Danny Murray RIP  
 7 pm Mass ~ Elizabeth Hegarty (Month's Mind Mass), Mary Nelson, Jennie McKenna, Conal Kelly, Patrick Cunningham, John Hannigan and Noel O'Donnell RIP

### Saturday 28th May ~ Ss. Christopher Magallanes and Companions

10 am Mass ~ Jim Shields RIP (Month's Mind Mass)  
**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** ~ Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál ~ 11 am and 3 pm  
 Nuptial ~ 1 pm  
 6 pm ~ Vigil Mass (Opening of our Mission) Confessions ~ After 6 pm Mass

### Sunday 29th May ~ The Ascension of the Lord

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm May Devotions ~ 7 pm