

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday to Friday (9.30 am - 4.30 pm)

**Phone:** 074 - 9121021

**Parish Email:** office@steunanscathedral.ie

**Website:** www.steunanscathedral.ie  St. Eunan's Cathedral  
Live **Web Streaming** from the Cathedral ~ churchservices.tv/letterkenny

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** ~ 17th July - €4,077

**PARISH EXPENDITURE** ~ €7,303.01

**Donations to the Parish** ~ 1 x €50

**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

A **POP UP COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC** will open in the Courtyard Shopping Centre, Lower Main Street, Letterkenny, F92R9CP. The clinic will run from 10 am to 5 pm on Thursday 28th July. We will be catering for anyone 12 years or older who requires dose 1 or 2 of their primary course or their booster. We will also be catering for anyone who is 65 or older requiring their 2nd booster or anyone who has a weak immune system requiring their additional dose, booster 1 or booster 2. You can check your eligibility on [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie). All persons between 12-15 needs to be accompanied by an adult. We will be opening a self scheduling portal on [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie) but walk ins also welcome.

**CARDIAC REHAB** - This podcast series will bring together experts in cardiac rehab and patients who have attended cardiac rehabilitation. Topics included are: exercise, medication, healthy eating and the psychological impact of living with heart disease. If you have had a cardiovascular event such as a heart attack, coronary artery stenting or coronary artery bypass surgery, please log onto <https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehab-podcast/>

**LETTERKENNY COMMUNITY CENTRE** is currently recruiting for a Caretaker, a Café Assistant, and a Receptionist for its Community Employment Programme. For further information and to check your eligibility, please visit [www.jobsireland.ie](http://www.jobsireland.ie) or call 085 8570073.

**Most Holy St. Anne and St. Joachim, come close to us and guide our hand and our hearts in the way of virtue. Help us to parent our children and grandchildren with a gentle heart as you did. Show us how to raise our children in faith and bring our families into the Light of Jesus. Remain close to us and help us on our journey to salvation. Amen.**



## ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

**Sunday 24th July 2022**

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### **THE MASS – 'CELEBRATION'**

We will often hear the Mass referred to as a “celebration”, but the meaning of this term when applied to the Mass or any other of the Church's liturgies is different to its common everyday usage. The word “celebration” derives from the Latin, *celebrare*, meaning to commemorate, observe, perform, glorify or worship.

While the idea of commemoration is clearly the basis of the modern use of the term – we celebrate all kinds of things – its use within the liturgy refers to its meaning as a performance of duties, a sacred observation, and ultimately an act of worship. Thus we talk of the celebration of a funeral, of a wedding, of a baptism, of Mass, etc.

The Mass, as we have seen, is a unique “commemoration” insofar as it actually makes present Jesus' own self-offering to the Father [“Do this in memorial of me”]. In this sense, the Mass is a celebration, a living commemoration of Jesus' sacrifice and the highest act of worship we perform. The priest is the Celebrant – the one who carries out the act of worship in so far as he acts in the person and in the name of Jesus our Saviour, and in the name of the Church.

Similarly, when several priests take part in the celebration of the Mass, they “concelebrate” as “concelebrants” – they celebrate along with the principal Celebrant. When several priests concelebrate the one Mass, each one fulfils the sacrifice of the Mass by taking part in the one celebration: it is as if several Masses were being celebrated at once.

Since the priest acts in the person and in the name of the Lord, he stands at the head of the congregation, leading it in prayer, and bringing the faithful the nourishment of Christ's word and sacrament. Hence, it is fitting for the celebrant to lead the sacred rites from the chair, acting in the person and in the name of Christ, head and shepherd of the flock.

**DIVINE MERCY CENTRE, LETTERKENNY ~ UPCOMING RETREATS**

If you would like to attend any of the following retreats please email:

[dvmletterkenny@gmail.com](mailto:dvmletterkenny@gmail.com) or phone: 0749169934.

**HOW TO HELP SOULS** (Half-day retreat) ~ **Saturday 30th July:** 2 pm - 5.30 pm. Matthew 4:19 *“And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.”* In these talks we will look at how to help souls from the perspective of Scripture and the Saints. The first talk will focus on helping souls through determination, obedience and recreation. The second talk will look at what Jesus shares with St. Faustyna about helping souls, as well as what Blessed Fr. Sopocho writes! If you would like to attend, please email:

**RECONCILIATION WITH GOD AND OUR NEIGHBOUR** (Half-day retreat) ~ **Saturday 13th August:** 2 pm - 5.30 pm. Matthew 18:21-35: *“Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I cancelled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’”* (32-34). In these talks we will look at Scripture and the Saints to learn how to be merciful as our heavenly Father is merciful. We will focus on union with God as the fount of forgiveness for ourselves and others in our lives. Our retreat will consist of two talks, prayer time and being together in a community of faith.

**MOTHER OF MERCY RETREAT** (Friday 26th August - Sunday 28th August)  
August is a month dedicated to Our Lady. In our spiritual tradition, as the Sisters of Merciful Jesus, we have a special devotion to Our Lady under the title of Mother of Mercy. We wish to share our love for Her with you and through this retreat help all of us to grow into a deeper relationship with Her. **The retreat is residential.** We will commence: Friday 26th August at 6 pm and conclude: Sunday 28th August, finishing after lunch (approximately 2 pm). We will learn more about the image of the Mother of Mercy from the Gate of Dawn in Vilnius, talk about Mary's trust in God (to learn from Her how we can trust better) and meditate on the Gospel passages that speak about Her (focusing on the Annunciation and the Magnificat). We will also have some creative activities and lots of moments of prayer. This retreat will also give us an opportunity to spend time together, sharing our faith. Cost: €159 inclusive. **Bookings are essential.** If you have any dietary requirements or food allergies please let us know when you are booking, so we can cater for your needs. We are looking forward to seeing you! Let us trust in the Lord!

**LETTERKENNY MEMORIES** will be held in the Station House Hotel on Monday 25th July at 8 pm. All welcome. Admission free. Light refreshments served.

The **ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY** is a training program designed to teach, equip, and activate you in the full supernatural lifestyle of Jesus so that you can walk with God in intimacy and demonstrate his love and power to the world around you! Drawing from the richness of our Catholic heritage we are offering an online training program for Ireland. Enrolment is for one year with the possibility of two. Our curriculum and content is rooted in Catholic Tradition and faithful to Catholic teaching. Classes/Zoom Sessions will be held on Thursdays at 7.30 pm from mid-September until May. For information or to enrol, please visit: <https://encounterschool.org/online-campus-ireland/>

**Sunday 24th July ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm

**Monday 25th July ~ St. James (Apostle)**

**8 am Mass** ~ Johnny McLaughlin RIP  
**10 am Mass** ~ Patricia Molloy (First Anniversary) and Jim and Kathleen Molloy RIP

**Tuesday 26th July ~ Ss. Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**8 am Mass** ~ James Duffy RIP  
**10 am Mass** ~ Special Intention

**Wednesday 27th July**

**8 am Mass** ~ Charlie and Celine Molloy RIP  
**10 am Mass** ~ Mary Geoghegan RIP  
**Confessions** ~ 7.30 pm

**Thursday 28th July**

**8 am Mass** ~ Una Kerlin RIP  
**10 am Mass** ~ Priest's Intention  
**8 pm:** Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room

**Friday 29th July ~ Ss. Martha, Mary and Lazarus**

**8 am Mass** ~ Thomas Gribben RIP  
**10 am Mass** ~ Elizabeth and Michael Logue RIP  
**1 pm** ~ Nuptial  
**7 pm Mass** ~ Tommy Friel (First Anniversary), Colette Coyle, Brendan Connolly, Susan McCutcheon, Barney McGinley, Dermot Murphy Boyle and Linda McKenna RIP

**Saturday 30th July ~ St. Peter Chrysologus**

**10 am Mass** ~ Joe McLaughlin RIP (Month's Mind Mass)  
**1 pm** ~ Nuptial **Baptisms: 4.30 pm**  
**6 pm** ~ Vigil Mass  
**Confessions** ~ After 6 pm Mass

**Sunday 24th July ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm 2.30 pm ~ Baptism

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