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**SUNDAY COLLECTION** ~ 16th October - €4,038

**PARISH EXPENDITURE** ~ €3,847.67

**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

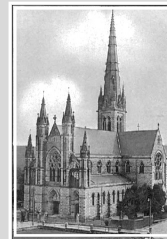
### **RETREATS at the Divine Mercy Centre, Letterkenny**

**Saturday 12th November** – (Half-day Retreat: 2 pm - 5.30 pm): In the Divine Mercy School of Prayer: *How to meditate in everyday life?* In this cycle we focus on the theme of prayer. Prayer is an encounter with God, who is Mercy. We want to learn how to grow in our relationship with Him by learning more about prayer and different ways and schools of praying. The Christian practice of meditation has a long tradition and there are many ways of doing it. We want to explore them, so that each of us can find a method that suits best. The Carmelite tradition, Ignatius of Loyola, the practice of Lectio Divina all give us different hints at how to meditate. Getting to know them is a great help to develop our relationship with the Lord.

**25th - 27th November** – Weekend Residential Retreat (6 pm Friday until 2 pm Sunday): *God's Mercy in the Gospel of John (silent retreat)*. Each of the Gospels shows us the face of the Merciful Lord. But each also paints the picture in a different style. In this Retreat we will focus on the way John paints his portrait of Jesus, who is Mercy itself. We shall look at a few passages, try to understand them better, but, most of all, trying to pray with them and in prayer discover what God is saying to each of us personally.

**16th December** – Friday Evening Retreat: *Prepare to receive Christ's peace this Christmas*. With Christmas just around the corner we get so caught up in the preparations that we often lose sight of what is really important: the mystery of Christ's Incarnation. This Retreat will give us an opportunity to remind ourselves what Christmas is all about and to prepare our hearts to receive the graces the Child Jesus wants to bring us. It's a real chance to focus and spend some quiet time with the Lord, in longing and awaiting for His coming.

**Please phone the DVM Centre on: 074 9169934  
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## **ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY**

### **NEWSLETTER**

**Sunday 23rd October 2022**

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### **THE MASS – THE GLORIA [3]**

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will”. The Gloria is addressed to God. It is above all a Trinitarian hymn, and, as we shall see, it addresses the three persons of the Trinity, God, to whom be all glory and honour: “To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be blessing and honour and glory and dominion forever and ever” (Rev. 5:13), we read in Sacred Scripture. If we recall that this is the song of the angels, and the song in which all God's people sing, redeemed from sin and brought to salvation, we begin to realise how wonderful is this hymn of praise.

The Church takes for her song the words given by God himself, and placed on the lips of the apostles and the other sacred writers. The corollary of this hymn of praise to God is peace to people of good will. Peace is the gift that Jesus came to bring: “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you” (Jn 14: 27). When Jesus promised the gift of his peace, he made it clear that it is peace that comes out of the heart of God: “the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you” (Jn 14:25). The peace that is given to people of good will is the peace of God himself, which proceeds from His heart and has to do with holiness of life, the life of grace and righteousness in Jesus the Saviour. God lives in unapproachable light (1 Timothy 6:16), and is surrounded by silence.

O Glorious St. Anthony Mary Claret, you willingly travelled anywhere to spread the message of Jesus. Wherever you went, you gladly preached taught others, especially about our Queen, the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Help me to learn from your example to spread the Good News of Jesus and the praises of Mary by my words and actions. Amen. (Feast Day: 24th October)

**ROSARY** will be prayed after the 7 pm Mass Tuesday to Friday at OUR LADY'S ALTAR for the month of October. As there is no evening mass on Mondays, the rosary will be at 7 pm.

**Life Institute Renewal Tour** ~ Join us for a **LIFE CONFERENCE** in the Mount Errigal Hotel on **Monday 24th October** at 7 pm. Watch the acclaimed pro-life film: 'The Abortion Deception' by Donegal man Tim Jackson. Guest speakers include: GAA legend Mickey Harte; Historian Jonathon Van Maren; Life Institute Chairwoman Niamh Uí Bhrian and local woman Mary T. Sweeney, to hear how we can rebuild a pro-life culture. Light Refreshments afterwards. To register, please visit: thelifeinstitute.net or phone: 01 8730465. You are welcome to be part of the discussion on new strategies and initiatives to overturn Ireland's abortion laws.

A **TABLE QUIZ AND RAFFLE** will be held in Harkin's Bar, Brockagh on **Friday 28th October** at 9 pm. Proceeds will go to help TJ Needham - McDaid's upcoming surgery in Hungary. TJ suffers from Spina Bifida and other health issues. Teams of 4/5 - €5 per person. Your support would be appreciated.

The **MONTH'S MIND MASS** for the late **Maurice Sweeney RIP** will take place on **Saturday 29th October** at 3 pm in the **Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballyraine**.

Our Parish **NOVENA OF MASSES FOR THE DEAD** will take place from **Tuesday 1st November until Wednesday 9th November** (Weekdays at 7 pm; Saturday and Sunday at 6 pm)

**PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS** are currently **ON SALE** in Veritas, Main Street, Letterkenny and from the Parish Office at the Parochial House (€5 per pack of 5). Other outlets around Town will also have the Packets of Cards for Sale in early November. The Recipient's intentions are included in all Masses in the Cathedral from the 25th December until the 1st January. Any profit, after printing costs, will be donated to the local St. Vincent de Paul Society. If any shop/business would like to sell the cards on our behalf, please ring the Parochial House on 9121021.

A **NIGHT WITH THE STARS** will take place in the Everglades Hotel, Derry on **Tuesday 6th December**. Doors open 6.30 pm - show starts at 7 pm. Proceeds in aid of ICU Unit Altnagelvin, Friends of Rescue and Pet FBI. To book please phone: 00447508897429 / 00447729179944.

### PARISH CONFIRMATION DATES FOR 2023

**Saturday 28th January:** 12 noon - Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál  
**Saturday 28th January:** 4 pm - Scoil Cholmcille  
**Saturday 11th February:** 12 noon - Scoil Naomh Fiachra, Illistrin  
**Saturday 11th February:** 4 pm - Gaelscoil Adhamhnáin

### PARISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES FOR 2023

**Saturday 22nd April:** 11 am - Gaelscoil Adhamhnáin  
**Saturday 6th May:** 11 am - Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál  
**Saturday 13th May:** 11 am - Scoil Cholmcille  
**Saturday 20th May:** 11 am - Scoil Naomh Fiachra, Illistrin

### Sunday 23rd October ~ Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm (Followed by Devotions)

### Monday 24th October ~ St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

10 am Mass ~ John and Monica O'Brien RIP

### Tuesday 25th October ~ Bl. Thaddeus MacCarthy, Bishop

10 am Mass ~ Michael and Mary McGlynn RIP  
 6 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions  
 7 pm Mass ~ Bridie Murphy RIP (First Anniversary); Tom Murphy RIP and Mary O'Malley RIP

### Wednesday 26th October

10 am Mass ~ Special Intention  
 7 pm Mass ~ Priest's Intention  
 Confessions ~ 7.30 pm  
 8 pm ~ Youth 2000 Prayer Group

### Thursday 27th October ~ St. Otteran, Monk

10 am ~ Sarah and John Doherty RIP  
 7 pm Mass ~ Jim Lynch RIP (Month's Mind Mass)  
 8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room  
 7 pm ~ Letterkenny Youth Group - Pastoral Centre (Secondary School Students)

### Friday 28th October ~ Ss. Simon and Jude, Apostles

8 am Mass ~ Brigid McCormack RIP  
 10 am Mass ~ Eamonn and Margaret Kelly RIP  
 7 pm Mass ~ Tessie Wilkie, Peter Wilkie, Kathleen Blake, Kevin Peoples, Julia O'Hanlon, Kathleen Gamble, Tony O'Brien and Barney Coyle (Jnr.) RIP

### Saturday 29th October ~ St. Colman, Bishop

10 am Mass ~ Ita Blake RIP (Month's Mind Mass)  
 4 pm ~ Baptisms  
 6 pm ~ Vigil Mass  
 Confessions ~ After 6 pm Mass

### Sunday 30th October ~ Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm (Followed by Devotions)

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