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**SUNDAY COLLECTION** ~ 2nd October - €4,020

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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

The **DONEGAL OLDER PERSONS** Council Executive Committee would like to invite older people to their Annual General Meeting and Health & Wellbeing Event on **Tuesday 11th October** from 10 am - 2 pm in the Mount Errigal Hotel. On the day there will be a cooking demonstration with Pauline from the Wild Garlic Table. There will be information on services for older people in the county and health checks. This is a free event for people aged 55 and over. Refreshments provided. RSVP by 5th October to Mairead on 9153900 email: mairead.lynych@donegalcoco.ie

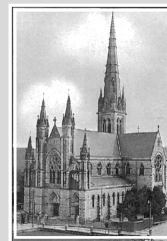
**PARKINSON'S ASSOCIATION NORTH WEST BRANCH** - Have you, or someone you know, been diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease? An Information afternoon will take place in the Clanree Hotel on **Saturday 15th October** from 2 pm until 4 pm. Please contact Ann on 0861605847 for further information.

**Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? ALONE** are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> or contact Helena on [Helena.madden@alone.ie](mailto:Helena.madden@alone.ie) or on 086 0145829

**THE NORTH WEST CROSS BORDER JOBS FAIR** will be held on **Tuesday 11th October** from 10 am - 3 pm, in the Inishowen Gateway Hotel, Buncrana. This event provides an opportunity to meet Employers, check out their current vacancies and learn more about what Training/Education opportunities are on offer. So whether you're a Job seeker/Graduate/Employed: please register your interest on [www.Eventbrite.ie](http://www.Eventbrite.ie) and we look forward to seeing you there.

**LETTERKENNY YOUTH GROUP** ~ Takes place every Thursday from 7 pm to 8.30 pm in the Pastoral Centre (F92HP66) for all Secondary School Pupils. For further information, please contact: [pastoralcentre@raphoediocese.ie](mailto:pastoralcentre@raphoediocese.ie)

**ALTAR SOCIETY ROTA:** 7th & 14th October ~ M. McBride, E. Friel, E. McCormack and R. Peacock; 21st & 28th October ~ M. McLaughlin, V. Molloy and K. McBride



## ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

**Sunday 9th October 2022**

*Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### **MASS FOR EXPECTANT FAMILIES**

Awaiting the birth of a child is both a time for joyful waiting and great anxiety. To rejoice with you and help you through this time, we invite all parents – married, single and adoptive to a **Mass for Expectant Families** on **Tuesday 11th October** at 7 pm in St. Eunan's Cathedral. Celebrant: Bishop Alan McGuckian. Everyone is very welcome.

### **ADORATION CHAPEL - New Committed Adorers Needed**

For over twenty-five years now, the Adoration Chapel has been a powerhouse of prayer in the parish. In the chapel, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed perpetually from Sunday 1 pm until Friday 9 pm [concluding with Mass at 8 pm: October-May inclusive]. One of the conditions for perpetual adoration is that at least one person is present throughout.

In this parish, a large proportion of our practicing faithful dedicate themselves to one hour of prayer and adoration each week, daytime, evening and during the night. For most hours, at least two committed adorers are present, and of course a large number of people visit informally for shorter periods of prayer. What a gift to the parish! And what a rich source of fruitfulness for their own spiritual lives! One of the hardest decisions of the lockdowns was the closure of the Cathedral and of the Adoration Chapel. When the decision to re-open was made, all those who were previously committed to a particular hour of prayer ("committed adorers") were contacted to see to what degree it would be feasible to re-open. The response was very heartening, and the Adoration Chapel was able to re-open with a full schedule, initially for committed adorers only and, as things improved, for all who wish to pray.

Now, new "committed adorers" are needed urgently if we are to maintain perpetual adoration. Committed Adorers commit themselves to one hour in the course of the week - daytime, evening time or during the night vigil. It is a serious commitment that, if undertaken, must be upheld so that we can be confident that the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended. But it is also a tremendously fruitful prayer by which we grow to love Jesus more deeply in the Blessed Sacrament, learn to listen to his word more attentively, and receive the consolations of prayerful adoration. Remember, it is our destiny to adore Jesus for all eternity; let us begin here below for a short period each week. Please contact Mary on 086-0870446 or Bridget on 086-0630729 for further information.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** ~ The second information evening on Parish Pastoral Councils took place on Thursday 6th October at the Clanree. Both meetings have had an attendance of 70-80 people from the various nearby parishes involved. The meetings have been engaging and a very positive atmosphere has been found with parishioners eager for the life of their parishes. The next meeting will be on **Thursday 20th October** at 7 pm in the Clanree Hotel. The meetings are stand-alone, and so you are welcome to attend the next meeting without having been at the others – a short summary of proceedings will be provided at the start. So, come along and join us for the good of your parish.

**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**.

**WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY** takes place on the 10th October each year. On this day we are all invited to reflect on our own mental health and that of the people in our lives – our families, friends and in the wider community. On **Monday 10th October** a **VARIETY CONCERT** will be held in An Grianan Theatre, Letterkenny, which will focus on ways we all use to take care of our mental health and wellbeing. The evening will include: Talks, Music, Fashion Tips and Wellbeing.

**LETTERKENNY ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP (LARA)** will meet on **Thursday 13th October** from 2 pm - 4 pm in Regional Cultural Centre, Port Road, Letterkenny.

A **CANDLELIGHT ROSARY PROCESSION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA** will take place on **Thursday 13th October** at 7.45 pm from the Market Square to the Famine graveyard (High Road) All are welcome.

**ANAM CARA DONEGAL**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Thursday 13th October** at 7.15 pm in the Raddison Blu Hotel, Letterkenny. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. Please contact us on 085-2888888/info@anamcara.ie for further information.

**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYSHANNON - SOLEMN NOVENA to Our Mother of Perpetual Help** take places from the 8th - 16th October with a Redemptorist Novena Team of Fr. Lawrence Gallagher C.Ss.R; Ms Claire Gilmore and Fr. Gerard Maloney C.Ss.R. This year's theme is: **'Journeying Together in Hope'**: **8th Oct.**: Finding Hope in today's World; **9th Oct.**: The Church as a Beacon of Hope; **10th Oct.**: Finding Hope in Today's Society; **11th Oct.**: Finding hope beyond Grief and Loss; **12th Oct.**: Relationships - a Key to Hope; **13th Oct.**: In Mary We Hope; **14th Oct.**: Creation - our Hope for the Future; **15th Oct.**: Finding Hope in Healing; **16th Oct.**: In God we Hope. **Week Day Schedule:** 9.30 am and 7 pm. **Weekend Schedule:** 9.30 am, 11 am and 6.15 pm Everyone is very welcome to attend in person or to join us online: [www.churchservices.tv/stpatricksballyshannon](http://www.churchservices.tv/stpatricksballyshannon) (Full schedule on the Cathedral Noticeboard)

<b>Sunday 9th October ~ Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm (Followed by Devotions)</b>
<b>Monday 10th October</b>
<b>8 am Mass</b> ~ Special Intention <b>10 am Mass</b> ~ Sr. Chrystiana RIP
<b>Tuesday 11th October ~ St. John XXIII</b>
<b>8 am Mass</b> ~ Maggie Sweeney RIP <b>10 am Mass</b> ~ Anne Gormley RIP <b>7 pm Mass</b> ~ Mass for Expectant Families <b>6 pm</b> ~ Holy Face Devotions
<b>Wednesday 12th October</b>
<b>8 am Mass</b> ~ Special Intention <b>10 am Mass</b> ~ Priest's Intention <b>7 pm Mass</b> ~ Tommy and May Wilson and Kathleen Sweeney RIP <b>Confessions</b> ~ 7.30 pm <b>8 pm</b> ~ Youth 2000 Prayer Group
<b>Thursday 13th October</b>
<b>8 am</b> ~ Special Intention <b>10 am</b> ~ Priest's Intention <b>7 pm Mass</b> ~ Priest's Intention <b>8 pm</b> ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room
<b>Friday 14th October ~ St. Callistus I</b>
<b>8 am Mass</b> ~ Deceased Members of the McFadden Family RIP <b>10 am Mass</b> ~ Priest's Intention <b>7 pm Mass</b> ~ Liam Kelly, James Whoriskey, Tommy McGuigan, Rosie Early and Noeleen Leech RIP
<b>Saturday 15th October ~ St. Teresa of Avila</b>
<b>10 am Mass</b> ~ Brendan Doherty RIP (Month's Mind Mass) <b>4 pm</b> ~ Baptisms <b>6 pm</b> ~ Vigil Mass <b>2 pm</b> ~ Nuptial <b>Confessions</b> ~ After 6 pm Mass
<b>Sunday 16th October ~ Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm (Followed by Devotions)</b>
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