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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 20th November - €4,012

PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €7,258.73

DONATIONS ~ 1 x €150; 2 x €50 and 1 x €10

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

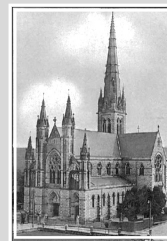
DONEGAL N.E. PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE ~ 27th September to 4th October (Flight: Knock to Mostar). Gift Vouchers are available for €100 deposit or more. Please phone Michael on 087-2922499 for further information.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE will take place from the 6th September 2023 for 7 days with a Spiritual Director. Cost €850 per person. **EARLY BOOKING OFFER:** €100 Off if paid in full in December 2022. For further information and to book please contact Kathleen on 074-9121641 or 086-3721962.

Would you like to learn Irish? Lónra Leitir Ceanainn/Donegal Intercultural Platform invite you to the Intercultural Platform Hub on Oliver Plunkett Road, F92D684 for a **INTRODUCTION TO IRISH** from 10 am on Wednesdays commencing 30th November. Phone 086-0751663 or email eolas@lionralc.ie

LETTERKENNY MEMORIES will take place on **Monday 28th November** in the Station House Hotel at 8 pm. Guests this week will include the Syndicate Showband. Light refreshments served. Everyone is welcome.

The New Springtime Community invite you to attend an **online webinar** entitled **'Overcoming Anxiety: A Psycho-Spiritual Approach'** on Saturday 3rd December. Paul Daly, Ronan Johnson and Pat Collins will not only look at some psychological causes and effects of anxiety, one of which is that it holds people back from evangelising. The speakers will propose natural and spiritual ways of overcoming it and thereby living with greater equanimity in accord with the manifest will of God. Full details on the Cathedral Noticeboard. To book, email: janeforde@gmail.com - Cost of webinar: €10. To make a payment: www.newspringtime.ie/



**ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL
LETTERKENNY
NEWSLETTER
Sunday 27th November 2022**

First Sunday of Advent

THE MASS – THE GLORIA [5]

“Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father”. The litany of praise in the first third of the Gloria concludes by addressing God as Father. It will continue, as we will see, by addressing God the Son, Jesus Christ our Saviour, and then God the Holy Spirit. In essence, the Gloria is a hymn of praise to the Godhead, that is to say to the mystery of God who reveals himself as father, Son and Spirit. As such, he is addressed as Lord, King, and Father. As we will see in the later parts of the Gloria, the Lordship of God, his sovereignty over every living creature and all creation is acknowledged of the Godhead, and also distinctly of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Throughout the Old Testament, the holy name of God was always considered to be unutterable. God revealed his name to Moses from the Burning Bush when Moses asked who he was to say had sent him: “God said to Moses, “I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I am has sent me to you’” (Exodus 3:14). In Hebrew, this name is rendered as Yahweh. However, the Israelites understood the name of God to be so holy that they refused to utter it or to write it out fully, using the ‘tetragrammaton’ YHWH instead. The spoken version of the holy name was Adonai, meaning LORD. By telling us His holy name, God reveals and confirms that: “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.” (Revelations 1:18).

In the New Testament, therefore, when Jesus refers to himself by saying, I am the good shepherd; I am the vine; I am the way, the truth and the life”, he is teaching us that he is the “I am”, he is the Lord, he is YHWH, he is God who reveals himself to us face to face. The Holy Name of Jesus means “The one who saves”. When he is acknowledged as Lord, he is acknowledged as our saviour and redeemer. In a few weeks’ time, on 18th December, this is how Jesus is addressed: O Adonai [Lord], and Ruler of the house of Israel, who appeared unto Moses in the burning bush, and gave him the Law on Sinai, come to redeem us with outstretched arm. Indeed, he redeems us with arm outreached, not in violence but in love upon a tree. Thus the one who is hailed as “Mighty King and Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6) reveals his power most of all in his forgiveness and love.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS are currently **ON SALE** in Veritas, Main Street; Macs Mace, High Road; County Dry Cleaners, Lower Main Street; Jones Oil, Port Road; Tinney's Oil, Bonagee; The Bookmark, Letterkenny Shopping Centre, the Sacristy and from the Parish Office at the Parochial House (€5 per pack of 5). **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.

BOXES OF CHURCH ENVELOPES will be ready for distribution shortly. If you attend the Cathedral on a regular basis and would like to receive a Box of Envelopes for 2023 or would like to set up a Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office on 9121021 in the coming week. Thank you for your continued financial support to the Parish.

KNOCK NIGHT VIGIL ~ A bus will leave the Cathedral Car Park for Night Vigil for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on **Wednesday 7th December** at 6.30 pm sharp. Please bring a packed lunch. For bookings, please phone Michael on 087- 2922499.

The New **Springtime Community** is hosting a weekly online **LECTIO DIVINA** (divine reading) every Monday at 7.30 pm - 8.45 pm. Zoom meeting. It focuses on the gospel reading for the following week. This course is free. Curated by Fr. Pat Collins who is a well known figure, author and thought after speaker. Phone: 089-4490683. Email: janeforde@gmail.com. See www.newspringtime.ie

JOB VACANCY _ **Community Employment Supervisor (Maternity Cover)** - Based in Letterkenny: Duties to include day to day running of Community Employment Scheme. Further information and job description can be found on www.jobsireland.ie Ref: #JOB-2129786 or contact Letterkenny Together CES CLG on 074 9120654 or admin@letterkennytogether.ie

RETREAT IN THE DIVINE MERCY CENTRE, LETTERKENNY ~ **Friday Evening 16th December: 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 Divine Mercy Centre on 0749169934 or email: dvmletterkenny@gmail.com

ADVENT REFLECTION and a celebration of the Sacraments (Eucharist, Reconciliation and Anointing of the sick). will take place at **SMA Dromantine, Newry** from **Tuesday 13th December** at 4 pm until **Wednesday 14th December** at 5 pm. Phone: 04830821224 or email: admin@dromantineconference.com

Advance notice: The **CATHEDRAL CAROL SERVICE** will take place on **Sunday 18th December** at 7.30 pm.

Sunday 27th November ~ First Sunday of Advent		
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm		
Monday 28th November		
8 am Mass ~ Michael Boyle RIP		
10 am Mass ~ Margaret Doherty RIP		
Tuesday 29th November		
8am Mass ~ Seamus Brolly RIP		
10 am Mass ~ Peter and Annie McDermott and Deceased Family Members RIP		
7 pm Mass ~ Peggy Coyle RIP		
Wednesday 30th November ~ St. Andrew		
8am Mass ~ Annabelle Fisher RIP and Barney McBrearty RIP		
10 am Mass ~ Tim Foley RIP		
7 pm Mass ~ Joseph Wilkie RIP		
Confessions ~ 7.30 pm		8 pm ~ Youth 2000 Prayer Group
Thursday 1st December		
8 am Mass ~ Mbabazi Melvin RIP (First Anniversary)		
10 am Mass ~ Deceased Members of the Lyon Family RIP		
7 pm Mass ~ Charlie and Ellen McMenamin RIP		
Confessions: 12 noon - 1 pm		
8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room		
7 pm ~ Letterkenny Youth Group - Pastoral Centre (Secondary School Students)		
Friday 2nd December		
8 am Mass ~ May and John Doherty RIP		
10 am Mass ~ Leo Cullen RIP		
7 pm Mass ~ Brian Gallagher (First Anniversary), Teresa Shiels, Deceased Members of the Shiels Family, Peggy Coyle, Henry Murray, Hugh Mailey, Kathleen Mailey, Frank Sweeney, P.J. Blake, Sheila Mailey, Brian Mailey, Rosie Dorrian and Michael Dorrian RIP		
Saturday 3rd December ~ St. Francis Xavier		
10 am Mass ~ Liam Collins RIP (Month's Mind Mass)		
4 pm ~ Baptisms	6 pm ~ Vigil Mass	Confessions ~ After 6 pm Mass
Sunday 4th December ~ Second Sunday of Advent		
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm		2.30 pm ~ Baptisms
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