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**SUNDAY COLLECTION** ~ 30th October - €3,731

**PARISH EXPENDITURE** ~ €26,011.56 (Includes: €23,400.30 for new Security Camera System at the Cathedral)

**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  
or email: dvmletterkenny@gmail.com**



## **ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER Sunday 6th November 2022**

*Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### **THE MASS – THE GLORIA [4]**

“We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory”. This beautiful wave of praises goes up from the Church and from each soul to the Most Holy Trinity. These are the basic movements of the soul towards God, particularly of the soul which enjoys the vision of the Most High. In the Book of the Apocalypse [Revelations], Saint John is given sight of the liturgy of heaven. He tells us what he saw: “After this I looked and saw a multitude too large to count, from every nation and tribe and people and tongue, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. And they fell facedown before the throne and worshipped God, saying, “Amen! **Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanks and honour and power and strength be to our God** forever and ever! Amen.” 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” (Rev. 7:11-15a).

We praise God for His marvellous deeds. We bless Him as Jesus taught us: Hallowed be thy name – recognising that God alone is holy and that all holiness comes from him. We adore God since God alone is to be worshipped and He alone has a claim of sovereignty over our souls. We glorify Him in union with Mary: My soul glorifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my saviour. We are filled with thanksgiving for the greatness of the glory of God: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation always and everywhere to give you thanks, we pray in the Preface of the Mass. These are the natural responses of the soul to God that are owed to no creature. God is praised, blessed, adored, worshipped and thanked not in the first place for His actions or accomplishments, but for his being: He is holy, all holy, He alone is holy. And we recognise that out of the abundance of His love He has created us and all that exists; He has called us in the way of justice and holiness; He has redeemed us and given us His Spirit; He will bring us to glory with Him. In short, we praise and worship God for His

goodness and love, which is all we ever knew of Him, as we read in psalm 138: “I thank you, LORD, with all my heart; you have heard the words of my mouth. In the presence of the angels I praise you. I bow down toward your holy temple. I give thanks to your name for your merciful love and your faithfulness. You have exalted your name over all. On the day I called, you answered me; you increased the strength of my soul” (Ps. 138:1-2).

**NEW ROAD LAYOUT AND CAR PARKING** ~ Parishioners and the general public are asked to take note of the new traffic system in the Cathedral and Sentry Hill areas, where a one-way system is now in operation down Sentry Hill, across Cathedral Road and up College Row. Footpaths have been widened for safer pedestrian use. As a result, people should ensure that they park in the car parks provided: Cathedral Square and Hugh Duffy Car Park. At weekends, car parking is available behind the Cathedral (Loreto Secondary School). Please note that car parking behind the Cathedral is for the use of Loreto Staff, patrons of the Adoration Chapel, the Divine Mercy Centre and Mass-goers; **it is not a public car park for general use.** Please take care not to park on the double-yellow lines, and to keep clear the access and spaces left for our neighbours at The Pastoral Centre, Cathedral Place and Conwal Parish Church.

**NOVENA FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED** ~ The annual Novena for the Faithful Departed continues until Wednesday 9th November at 7 pm. You are welcome to write a list of the names of your loved ones and to leave them in the basket which will be placed in the Sanctuary for the purpose. Offerings are not expected; any offerings received will be used to defray the cost of light and heat. You are encouraged to attend the Novena for its duration, conscious of the importance of praying for our beloved dead and for all the souls who have no one to pray for them.

**LETTERKENNY COMMUNITY HERITAGE GROUP** ~ Are launching a Football Book: ‘Tales of the Summer Cups’ in the **Station House Hotel** on **Monday 7th November at 8 pm.** Everyone is welcome. Light refreshments served.

**Letterkenny Active Retirement Group (LARA)** will hold a meeting on **Thursday 10th November** from 2 pm - 4 pm in the Regional Cultural Centre, Port Road. All are welcome.

**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.

**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.

<b>Sunday 6th November ~ Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm (NOVENA)	
<b>Monday 7th November ~ St. Willibrord, Bishop and Missionary</b>	
8 am Mass ~ Special Intention 10 am Mass ~ Mary and Peter Gallagher RIP and Deceased Members of the Bradley and Gallagher Families RIP 7 pm Mass ~ NOVENA	
<b>Tuesday 8th November</b>	
8am Mass ~ Anjo Duffy RIP 10 am Mass ~ Special Intention 7 pm Mass ~ NOVENA	
<b>Wednesday 9th November ~ Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</b>	
8am Mass ~ Deceased Members of the Hegarty Family RIP 10 am Mass ~ Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary RIP 7 pm Mass ~ NOVENA Confessions ~ 7.30 pm 8 pm ~ Youth 2000 Prayer Group	
<b>Thursday 10th November ~ St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor</b>	
8 am Mass ~ Holy Souls RIP 7 pm Mass ~ James and Kathleen Adams RIP 8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room 7 pm ~ Letterkenny Youth Group - Pastoral Centre (Secondary School Students) 10 am Mass ~ Karen Cullen RIP	
<b>Friday 11th November ~ St. Martin of Tours. Bishop</b>	
8 am Mass ~ Mass of Thanksgiving 7 pm Mass ~ Patrick Docherty (First Anniversary), Patrick McBrearty (First Anniversary), Liam Bradley, Raymond Crossan, Bridie Kelly, Gerard McDermott, Martin Conway, Bridgid Kelly, Joe Kelly, Hugh Mailey, Kathleen Mailey, Elaine Winston, Nora Friel, Oonagh Gallagher, Orla McNulty, Kathleen Gallagher, John McGlinchey, Patsy Hamilton, Mary Hamilton & Seamus Corry RIP 10 am Mass ~	
<b>Saturday 12th November ~ St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr</b>	
10 am Mass ~ Priest’s Intention 6 pm ~ Vigil Mass 4 pm ~ Baptisms Confessions ~ After 6 pm Mass	
<b>Sunday 13th November ~ Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm 2.30 pm ~ Baptisms	
<b>St. Vincent de Paul Letterkenny</b> 9129503/9122366	