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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 19th March - €5,015

PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €2,153.26 **DONATIONS:** 1 X €100

St. Patrick's Day - Education of Students for Priesthood: €3,080

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

The **DIocese of Raphoe Justice, Peace & Integrity of CREATION COMMITTEE** want to remind everyone that World Water Day was held on Wednesday 22nd March. World Water Day focuses our attention on the Earth's most vital resource. Over 2 billion people are living without access to safe water on our planet Earth. We can all easily take for granted the clean water which comes from our taps until something goes wrong. Here are some simple things you can do to conserve water in your home – take shorter showers, don't let the tap run when brushing your teeth, install water butts around your house, fix leaking taps and pipes. Each of our small actions can make a big difference! Visit www.unwater.org/bethechange/

ROSARY ON THE COAST. The next Rosary on the Coast will be at 3pm on **Sunday 2nd April** at Lisfannon Strand, Buncrana. We will pray for Ireland, world peace and the lives of our unborn children, amongst others.

CONFESSION TIMES FOR PALM SUNDAY & HOLY WEEK

Saturday 1st April: 11 am to 5 pm

Sunday 2nd April (Palm Sunday): 3 pm - 5.45 pm

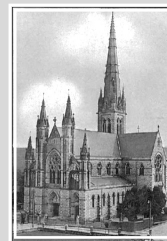
Monday 3rd April: 10.30 am - 12 noon and 7 pm - 8 pm

Tuesday 4th April: 10.30 am - 12 noon and 7.30 pm

Wednesday 5th April: 10.30 am - 5 pm and 7.30 pm

(If there is a Funeral at 11 am on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday: Confessions will take place after the Funeral until 1 pm)

No CONFESSIONS on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Holy Saturday



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 26th March 2023

Fifth Sunday of Lent

THE MASS – THE GLORIA [15]

“With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father”. The Trinitarian nature of the Gloria becomes clear in this last phrase. We have seen that the hymn is addressed to God, and then how it praises the Father, then the Son, and now the Holy Spirit. The greater part of the hymn glorifies Christ, introduced by an acknowledgement that God is Father Almighty. Now that Jesus Christ has been praised and adored as the eternal Son of the Father, “true God from true God” as the Creed will proclaim, it acknowledges that the praise due to Jesus Christ as the Holy One, the Lord, the Most High, is due to him always in union with the Holy Spirit. Jesus is the giver of the Spirit proceeds from the Father through Jesus into souls. Jesus gives his Spirit from the cross, when he breathes his last, and he sends it upon the Church at Pentecost. The Creed will proclaim that the Holy Spirit “proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified”.

The last line of the Gloria brings us back to the essential unity of the Trinity, where the three divine persons – the Father, Son and Spirit – are one God, or Triune as we put it: three in one and one in three. From the beginning of Jesus' life, the Holy Spirit is the operative principle, the one through whom all Jesus' life, words and works will come about. The Eternal Word is made flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary: Jesus is conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit [cf. Luke 1:35]. The Spirit descended on him in the Jordan to anoint him as the Christ [cf. Mark 1:10], the one sent by the Father to save us from our sins, to reveal the face of God and bring us into fellowship with him [cf. John 17:25-26]. Jesus teaches us that he will give the Consoler, the Advocate, and he breathes him forth from the cross [cf. John 14:16; John 19:30].

At Pentecost the Spirit comes from the Father and the Son upon the Apostles, that is to say upon the Church [cf. Acts 2:33], and through them to all who will accept the name of the Only Son [cf. John 17:25]. Jesus then is glorified with the Holy Spirit even as he was sent forth with the Spirit upon him [cf. Luke 4:14].



A **CAKE SALE** will be held in the Cathedral Conference Room today, Sunday 26th March after the 12 noon Mass. Your support will be appreciated.

LEGION OF MARY - The Acies: Annual Consecration of Legionaries and Auxiliaries Members to Our Lady will take place today, Sunday 26th March in St. Michael's Church, Creeslough at 3.30 pm.

LETTERKENNY MEMORIES will take place in the Station House Hotel on Monday 27th March at 8 pm. Everyone welcome. Light refreshments served.

The Donegal Older Persons Council Executive Committee would like to cordially invite you to their **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND HEALTH & WELLBEING EVENT** on Tuesday 28th March from 10 am - 2 pm in the Clanree Hotel, Letterkenny.

LETTERKENNY AND DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB are hosting an 'Easter Gala Demonstration' by Ali Dietrich on Wednesday 29th March at 8 pm in Mount Errigal Hotel. Proceeds in aid of Friends of Letterkenny Hospital bus to St Luke's Hospital Dublin. Admission €15. All welcome.

Cara House is holding a **SOCIAL DANCE** in the Regional Cultural Centre, Port Road, Letterkenny on Friday 31st March from 11 am – 1 pm. Dancing, refreshments and fun. Everyone welcome.

CLEANING OF THE CATHEDRAL IN PREPARATION FOR EASTER will take place on Monday 3rd April at 6 pm. Volunteers both male and female are very welcome to assist with the hoovering, dusting, polishing etc.

THANK YOU ~ The recent Special Collection at St. Eunan's Cathedral in aid of the Turkey/Syria Earthquake Disaster raised: €17,585. This money was divided between Trócaire and the Jesuit Refugee Services Ireland with both charities receiving: €8,792.50. Your generosity was deeply appreciated.

PALM SUNDAY ~ Our Procession will leave the Sacristy next Sunday 2nd April at 11.50 am to process into the Cathedral for 12 noon Mass. You are invited to join our Procession into the Cathedral.



TRÓCAIRE: Fifth Sunday of Lent: In 1973, when choosing a name for the overseas aid agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland, the Irish bishops chose the Gaelic word for mercy or compassion - Trócaire. 'Compassion' is an active word that asks that we see the suffering of others and respond with solidarity and action. The first response of Trócaire is to have compassion for those we work with and to empower them to build their life with dignity and independence. The people of the island of Ireland - you - have made this possible. Your contributions this Lent will ensure that Trócaire can continue to respond with compassion and love. www.trocaire.org

Sunday 26th March ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm	
Monday 27th March	
7 am Mass ~ Vincent Gallagher RIP 10 am Mass ~ Jim and Mary Carr RIP	
Tuesday 28th March	
7 am Mass ~ James O'Donnell RIP 10 am Mass ~ Corney Shanahan RIP 7 pm Mass ~ Moira and Laurence Maguire RIP	
Wednesday 29th March	
7 am Mass ~ Stephen Butler RIP 10 am Mass ~ Maisie Broe RIP 7 pm Mass ~ Lizzie Cummins RIP (First Anniversary) Confessions ~ 7.30 pm 8 pm ~ Youth 2000 Prayer Group	
Thursday 30th March	
7 am Mass ~ Holy Souls in Purgatory RIP 10 am Mass ~ Bernard and Annie Crerand RIP 7 pm Mass ~ Hugh Gallagher RIP 8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room	
Friday 31st March	
7 am Mass ~ Joseph O'Donnell RIP 10 am Mass ~ Eileen Conaghan RIP 7 pm Mass ~ Connie Callaghan, John Shiels, Pauline Shiels, Seamy Peoples, Nellie Drein, Martin Drein, James McDermott, Molly McDermott, Frank Lennon, Patsy Quinn and Sarah Cunningham RIP	
Saturday 1st April ~ St. Ceallach (Celsus) Bishop	
10 am Mass ~ Kieran McGrath RIP (Month's Mind Mass) 6 pm ~ Vigil Mass Confessions ~ 12 noon - 1 pm and 7 pm	
Sunday 2nd April ~ Palm Sunday	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm Baptisms ~ 2.30 pm	
St. Vincent de Paul Letterkenny: 9129503/9122366 We Care – Letterkenny Food Bank: 087-1471325	