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**SUNDAY COLLECTION** ~ 26th March - €4,921

**PARISH EXPENDITURE** ~ €11,500.02

**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

Eucharistic Adoration Raphoe Diocese: **Calling ALL ADORERS of the Blessed Sacrament** ~ The National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on **Sunday 23rd April**. A bus will leave Letterkenny for this day in Knock. Please phone Cáit on 0863074435. Please see the poster on the Cathedral Noticeboard for full details or visit: www.eucharisticadoration.ie

Please **RETURN YOUR TRÓCAIRE BOXES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** to the **Sacristy or Parochial House**. Please **DO NOT LEAVE BOXES WITH MONEY** sitting anywhere around the Cathedral, as your donations may not go to those which you intended it for!

The next meeting for **L.A.R.A** will be held in the Regional Cultural Centre, Port Road on **Thursday 13th April** from 2 pm - 4 pm.

The following have been enrolled in the **Raphoe Diocesan Society** Deceased Members List: Carmel Mullally Powers; Anne Bradley, Bomany and Bridie Bradley, Bomany. *May they rest in peace.* If you would like to enrol someone (Living or Deceased) in the R.D.S., please talk to one of the Priests or contact the Parish Office. Enrolment is €15.

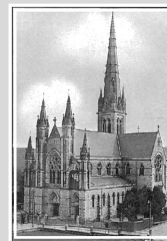
**Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People for 1 hour once a week? ALONE** are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. For more information, phone: 086 014 6729.

**Conwal Graveyard Service:** 4 pm on Sunday 2nd July

**Aughaninshin Graveyard:** 7 pm on Monday 3rd July

**Old Leck Graveyard:** 3 pm on Sunday 9th July

**New Leck Graveyard:** 4 pm on Sunday 9th July



## ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

**Sunday 9th April 2023**

*Easter Sunday*

The human person is very resilient. Already the experience of pandemic, despite its enduring effects for many, has receded into the background; life goes on. In these days we are marking the 25th anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement, which, despite the wounds that all kinds of injustice and violence will always create, nevertheless has allowed new generations to live in peace.

Peace, we have heard it said in these days, is not the absence of war but the presence of justice. This striking phrase allows us to reflect on the nature of justice. Ultimately, the Christian understands that justice is the gift of God. When we realise that the cross is God's judgement over the world, we begin to see that justice comes from His mercy; God alone can do true justice to the nations, and to souls. It calls upon forgiveness and reconciliation. It is the work of the cross, a labour of suffering and love on our behalf. It brings the peace that is the gift of the resurrection, whereby Christ has overcome sin and death. It is a free gift to those who believe, since "he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father" [Ephesians 2:17].

This peace is the gift of the resurrection. While it is first of all a gift to the soul, it is also one that infiltrates every aspect of our living, how we live together, and how we build our communities. It is a challenging work. The weakness of sin makes the human enterprise of justice fragile and imperfect, leading to fear and distrust. But for those who believe in Christ and in his victory over sin and death, we become witnesses to hope, knowing that in Jesus the Lord there is indeed true justice and peace. For "God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us - even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ - by grace you have been saved - and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus" [Ephesians 2:4-7]. A blessed Easter to one and all.

**May the Risen Christ fill your hearts with joy, bring you new hope and bless you with His peace. Amen.**

**DIVINE MERCY CENTRE** ~ *Sisters of Merciful Jesus*

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## DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

In the Diary of St. Faustina, Jesus asked that the Feast of Divine Mercy, known today as Divine Mercy Sunday, be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy. We pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy each day for a specific intention. Our Lord told St. Faustina, "I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw . . . strength and refreshment and whatever grace they need in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (Diary, 1209).

**Third Day:** Today bring to Me ALL DEVOUT AND FAITHFUL SOULS, and immerse them in the ocean of My mercy. The souls brought Me consolation on the Way of the Cross. They were that drop of consolation in the midst of an ocean of bitterness.

**Fourth Day:** Today bring to Me The PAGANS AND THOSE WHO DO NOT YET KNOW ME. I was thinking also of them during My bitter Passion, and their future zeal comforted My Heart. Immerse them in the ocean of My mercy.

**Fifth Day:** Today bring to Me THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE SEPARATED THEMSELVES FROM MY CHURCH, and immerse them in the ocean of My mercy. During My bitter Passion they tore at My Body and Heart, that is, My Church. As they return to unity with the Church, My wounds heal and in this way they alleviate My Passion.

**Sixth Day:** Today bring to Me THE MEEK AND HUMBLE SOULS AND THE SOULS OF LITTLE CHILDREN, and immerse them in My mercy. These souls most closely resemble My Heart. They strengthened Me during My bitter agony. I saw them as earthly Angels, who will keep vigil at My altars. I pour out upon them whole torrents of grace. Only the humble soul is capable of receiving My grace. I favour humble souls with My confidence.

**Seventh Day:** Today bring to Me THE SOULS WHO ESPECIALLY VENERATE AND GLORIFY MY MERCY, and immerse them in My mercy. These souls sorrowed most over my Passion and entered most deeply into My spirit. They are living images of My Compassionate Heart. These souls will shine with a special brightness in the next life. Not one of them will go into the fire of hell. I shall particularly defend each one of them at the hour of death.

**Eighth Day:** Today bring to Me THE SOULS WHO ARE DETAINED IN PURGATORY, and immerse them in the abyss of My mercy. Let the torrents of My Blood cool down their scorching flames. All these souls are greatly loved by Me. They are making retribution to My justice. It is in your power to bring them relief. Draw all the indulgences from the treasury of My Church and offer them on their behalf. Oh, if you only knew the torments they suffer, you would continually offer for them the alms of the spirit and pay off their debt to My justice.

**Ninth Day:** Today bring to Me SOULS WHO HAVE BECOME LUKEWARM, and immerse them in the abyss of My mercy. These souls wound My Heart most painfully. My soul suffered the most dreadful loathing in the Garden of Olives because of lukewarm souls. They were the reason I cried out: 'Father, take this cup away from Me, if it be Your will.' For them, the last hope of salvation is to run to My mercy.

### Sunday 9th April ~ Easter Sunday

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm

### Easter Monday - 10th April (Bank Holiday)

10 am Mass ~ Goretti McMonagle RIP (First Anniversary)  
7 pm ~ Divine Mercy Chaplet

### Easter Tuesday - 11th April

10 am Mass ~ Bridie Roughan (nee Gallagher) RIP  
7 pm ~ Divine Mercy Chaplet

### Easter Wednesday - 12th April

10 am Mass ~ Michael Keenan RIP  
7 pm ~ Divine Mercy Chaplet

### Easter Thursday - 13th April ~ St. Martin I, pope and martyr

10 am Mass ~ Kathleen Wright RIP (First Anniversary)  
7 pm ~ Divine Mercy Chaplet  
8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room

### Easter Friday - 14th April

10 am Mass ~ Nancy and Charlie McGlynn RIP  
7 pm Mass ~ Charles Joseph Mongan (Month's Mind Mass), Jim Shiels (First Anniversary), Patsy Molloy, Sally Molloy, Paddy MacIntyre, John MacIntyre, Sarah MacIntyre, Ellen Price, Charlie Price, Mary McManus, Harry McManus, James Kelly, Grace Marley, Hugo Shiels, Annie Lazar, Charlie Doherty, Julia Duggan, Deceased Members of the O'Brien Family RIP  
7.30 pm ~ Divine Mercy Chaplet

### Easter Saturday - 15th April

10 am Mass ~ Special Intention  
6 pm ~ Vigil Mass  
7 pm ~ Divine Mercy Chaplet  
4 pm ~ Baptisms

### Sunday 16th April ~ Divine Mercy Sunday

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm  
Baptisms ~ 1.30 pm  
3 pm ~ Divine Mercy Holy Hour

**St. Vincent de Paul Letterkenny:** 9129503/9122366  
**We Care - Letterkenny Food Bank:** 087-1471325