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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 14th May - €4253

PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €2759.34

DONATIONS: €60

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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

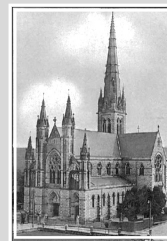
ST. PIUS X ADORATION CHAPEL - We are currently looking for **PEOPLE WHO WOULD COMMIT TO AN HOUR PER WEEK** in prayer in the Adoration Chapel. The following hours in particular, or an hour that suits you! 3 am – 4 am Wednesday; 9 am – 10 am Thursday; 10 am – 11 am Friday; 12 noon – 1 pm Thursday; 1 pm – 2 pm Sunday, Thursday and Friday; 2 pm – 3 pm Tuesday; 4 pm – 5 pm Thursday; 6 pm – 7 pm Thursday and 9 pm – 10 pm Monday. **Please phone Mary on 086-0870446.**

HOLY SPIRIT COME! HOLY SPIRIT IN SCRIPTURE (26th - 28th May) ~ Since Pentecost falls on Sunday 28th May, what better way to prepare for it than by learning about the Holy Spirit and calling upon His presence in prayer? During this Retreat there will be moments of silence, as we contemplate what Scripture tells us about the Holy Spirit. This is to help us better listen to God's word and be more attentive to His voice. Our busy everyday lives are often very distracted and noisy. Silence helps us refocus and open our hearts to God, who is constantly in a dialogue with us. We will also have time to call for Him to come down upon us, with all His gifts and charisms. The retreat starts on Friday at 6pm and continues until Sunday at 2pm. **Bookings are necessary.** To book or for more information please contact the Divine Mercy Centre on 0749169934 or dvmletterkenny@gmail.com

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ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 21st May 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter

THE MASS – THE COLLECT [OPENING PRAYER]

The Collect, or Opening Prayer, concludes with a Trinitarian formula: through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever; to which the people respond: Amen. Most of the Collects are addressed directly to the Father. We pray through the mediation of the Son, who is the Saviour and Redeemer. This takes place through the power of the Holy Spirit, for all prayer is by the agency of the Spirit, who is in us since we received him from Christ.

This model of prayer is taught to us by Jesus himself, who taught us to pray by addressing ourselves to God as “our Father”. In doing so, we are invited into the relationship of Jesus with the Father, a relationship that manifests the true nature of God. We enter into this relationship by virtue of baptism, by which the Holy Spirit makes his home within us and becomes the living agent of our relationship with God. The Spirit is sent to us from the Father through and from the Son and is within us the living principle of filiation or sonship: we are ‘sons in the Son’, sons and daughters of the Father because of the mystery of our baptism, by which we are saved, redeemed and adopted into the Son’s relationship with the Father.

The Trinitarian formula at the conclusion of the Collect – and of many prayers – also reminds us of the equality of the Father, the Son and the Spirit. The Son “lives and reigns” with the Father. This is “in the unity” of the Holy Spirit. The Lord’s ascension teaches us that he is co-equal with the Father. The Spirit is revealed as the very unity with God Himself, and the source not only of our life but of holiness and goodness itself. “Who is good but God alone?”, Jesus asks the rich young man rhetorically. The Spirit is holiness and goodness itself. He is God, the Father’s gift to those who acknowledge Jesus as Son, Redeemer and Saviour. Finally, the Trinitarian formula at the conclusion of the Collect underlines once again the divinity of the Son: he is “God, for ever and ever”. Rightly do we respond: “Amen”.

The **HOLY ROSARY** will be prayed at **Our Lady's** Altar from Tuesday to Friday after the 7 pm Mass and on a Monday at 7 pm during the Month of May. Everyone is very welcome to join in.

The **LEGION OF MARY** will recite the Holy Rosary for the Month of May at the **entrance to the Long Lane** on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 pm. Everyone is very welcome.

The **HOLY ROSARY** will be prayed in the Bernard McGlinchey Town Park every Monday evening in May at 7.30 pm. Everyone is very welcome.

ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY will take place in Knock on **Saturday 3rd June** from 1 pm with Talk, Stations of the Cross, Rosary and Holy Mass. Main Celebrant: Archbishop Eamon Martin. Rosary Talk: Bishop Oliver Doeme (1 pm in the Basilica). A bus will leave the Cathedral Car Park at 8.30 am. To book, please contact Veronica on 087-7970531 or Caroline on 087-1548184.

"The Management & Chaplains of Letterkenny University Hospital invite you to an **ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE** which will take place on Thursday 1st June at 5.30pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Letterkenny. During this service we will remember all the staff and former staff of Letterkenny University Hospital, whom have passed away. We also remember those staff, who suffered personal bereavements during the Covid-19 pandemic. All the patients who died in Letterkenny University Hospital during the pandemic will also be remembered in prayer and a warm invitation is extended to their families to attend this service.'

RAINBOWS - A coffee morning and bake sale will be held this Sunday 21st May after the 10am and 12pm Masses in the Conference room in St. Eunan's Cathedral. Please join us and support children and young people who have experienced a bereavement or parental separation.

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR BIODIVERSITY 22ND MAY 2023 - Build back biodiversity into your community. Why? Because it is really important for the planet's fauna and flora, as well as our complex ecosystems. Harmful human activities such as deforestation and pollution are causing real harm to the planet including loss of biodiversity. Help the bees by planting a variety of wildflowers & native plants in your backyard; leave an area in your garden for biodiversity, organise a clean-up in your area, protect natural habitats by sticking to the path; reduce landfill by reducing your waste and recycling; buy food locally grown in your area, educate yourself about biodiversity conservation. Every action counts.

DANA LIVE IN CONCERT at Veritas, Upper Main Street, Letterkenny on Wednesday 31st May commencing 7pm. **Admission free.**

Sunday 21st May ~ The Ascension of the Lord	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm	Baptisms: 2.30 pm
Monday 22nd May ~ St. Rita of Cascia, religious	
8 am Mass ~ Mary McDermott RIP	
10 am Mass ~ Kathleen Kelly RIP	
Tuesday 23rd May	
8 am Mass ~ Connie O'Donnell RIP	
10 am Mass ~ Daniel, Susan and James McGettigan RIP	
7 pm Mass ~ Charlie Duddy RIP	
Wednesday 24th May	
8 am Mass ~ Special Intention	
10 am Mass ~ Daniel Murray RIP	
7 pm Mass ~ Priest's Intention	
Confessions ~ 7.30 pm	8 pm ~ Youth 2000 Prayer Group
Thursday 25th May ~ St. Bede the Venerable & St. Gregory VII	
8 am Mass ~ Kathleen McPetric (nee McGlynn) RIP	
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention	1 pm ~ Nuptial
7 pm Mass ~ Priest's Intention	
8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room	
Friday 26th May ~ St. Philip Neri, priest	
8 am Mass ~	
10 am Mass ~ Barney O'Reilly RIP (First Anniversary)	
7 pm Mass ~ Aileen McNamee (MMM – died recently in America) James Crossan, Cassie Crossan, Peggy Crossan, Michael Ford, Ciaran O'Hanlon, Connell McLaughlin, Mary McGeever, Patrick Cunningham, Noel O'Donnell and John Hannigan RIP	
10 am Mass ~ Joe Gallagher RIP ((First Anniversary)	
Confessions ~ 12 noon - 1 pm and 7 pm	
4 pm ~ Baptisms	
6 pm ~ Vigil Mass	
Sunday 28th May ~ Pentecost Sunday	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm	
Baptisms ~ 2.30 pm	May Devotions: 7 pm