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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 16th July - €5,364

PARISH EXPENDITURE ~ €3,035.39

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 Letterkenny Cathedral Quarter Group are holding a **YARD SALE** on **Saturday 29th July** at the Arch opposite Universal Books on Church Lane from 11 am to 3 pm. There is a great variety of good quality items for sale, and if anyone wants to donate any good quality Bric A Brac, toys or home-baking that can be sold at this sale. **No electrical items** accepted for this sale. Please call Rosaleen on 086-0657742.

LIGHT THE FIRE in the Spirit of World Youth Day ~ **Sunday 6th August** at the **Hill of Slane, Co. Meath**. Archbishop Eamon Martin will celebrate Mass at 2 pm. Also in attendance will be Sr. Briege McKenna, Dana and Fr. Pablo Escriva de Romani. Schedule: 12.15 pm - Praise & Worship; 1.15 pm Rosary; 2 pm Mass followed by Talks and Eucharistic Healing Service. To **BOOK A SEAT ON THE BUS LEAVING FROM LETTERKENNY**, please text Margaret on 083-4052841 or Mary T. on 087-6707002. Please advise family and friends. Bus Fare and departure times will be confirmed later.

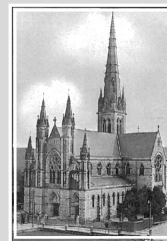
CALLING ALL PAINTERS AND ARTISTS: Mary's Meals are having a **SALE OF ORIGINAL WORKS** by local artists in **late Autumn**. We invite artists to paint a picture of their choice and donate it to Mary's Meals. By doing so, you will help to feed children and allow them to receive the education that will hopefully break the cycle of poverty. The paintings can be any size - framed or unframed. Mary's Meals are presently feeding 2,429,182 children. For more information about this sale or Mary's Meals, please phone, Fr. Eamonn Kelly on 087-9077985.

St. Vincent de Paul Letterkenny: 9129503/9122366

We Care – Letterkenny Food Bank: 087-1471325

Mary's Meals Information Centre, Greaves Market Centre, Letterkenny.

For €22 you could change a child's life in the poorest communities in the world.



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 23rd July 2023
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE MASS – THE LITURGY OF THE WORD **Sunday Cycle of Readings – Ordinary Time**

The readings at Mass follow a number of cycles. We have seen the Sunday Cycle, but there is also a Weekday Cycle over two years. In the Weekday Cycle, there is no direct correlation between the First Reading and Psalm and the Gospel. The First Readings take us through a wide selection of the books of the Old and New Testament. They present the central extracts and the great episodes from the history of the Old Testament from Abraham through Moses, David, the Prophets, the Kings, and the wisdom writings. The books of the New Testament are presented almost completely, particularly during the Easter Season. The Psalm of the day correlates to the reading. The Gospel readings bring us through the three Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, supplemented by the Gospel of John during the Ordinary Time of the year. This cycle of readings exposes us to the tremendous richness of the Scriptures, and provides an opportunity to reflect on God's dealing with his people, the history of salvation, reflection on human nature and our capacity for sin and for grace, and words of tremendous consolation and guidance.

PRAYER TO ST. JOACHIM AND ST. ANNE

St. Joachim and St. Anne, grandparents of Jesus and parents of Mary, we seek your intercession. We beg you to direct all our actions to the greater glory of God and the salvation of souls. Strengthen us when we are tempted, console us during our trials, help us when we are in need, be with us in life and in death.

O Divine Saviour, we thank You for having chosen St. Joachim and St. Anne to be the parents of our Blessed Mother Mary and so to be your beloved grandparents. We place ourselves under their patronage this day. We recommend to them our families, our children, and our grandchildren. Keep them from all spiritual and physical harm. Grant that they may ever grow in greater love of God and others.

St. Joachim and St. Anne, we have many great needs. We beg you to intercede for us before the throne of your Divine Grandson. All of us here have our special intentions, our own special needs, and we pray that through your intercession our prayers may be granted. Amen. **(Feast day: 26th July)**

WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS - Sunday 30th July ~ 'Reach every victim of trafficking, leave no one behind'. The aim of World Day against Trafficking in Persons is to raise awareness of the situation of women, men and children who have fallen victim to human trafficking and to promote their rights. At any given time, it is estimated that about 2.5 million people are affected by human trafficking. It is a violation of human rights. What can I do? Keep yourself informed about this problem, be aware that it is present in Ireland, talk about it amongst your friends, family and in your workplace and do what you can to raise awareness of this. Read more info at www.aptireland.org

WEEKEND SCRIPTURAL (SILENT) RETREAT 'You are the light of the world'! 4th - 6th August in the Divine Mercy Centre, Letterkenny ~ It's the time of the Transfiguration. We'll be looking at this passage from Scripture and others which speak about Jesus - the light of the world. That's how He reveals himself in the Divine Mercy Image too. Praying with the Scripture will lead us into a true encounter with Him, who always brings light into our lives. The retreat will be guided by the Sisters in an atmosphere of silence. 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. **Bookings are necessary.** Cost is €149 all inclusive. To book or for more information please contact the Divine Mercy Centre at: 074 9169934 or email: dvmletterkenny@gmail.com.

Fr. Shaun Doherty, recently ordained for the Diocese of Derry, will **CELEBRATE** the **VIGIL MASS** of the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary here at the Cathedral on **Monday 14th August** at 7 pm. We would like to arrange some refreshments afterwards as people wait to receive his First Blessing and to greet him. **Anyone interested in preparing home bakes and otherwise lending a hand on the evening is asked to contact Mary Maguire on 086-0870446, this week if possible.**

There will be a get-together for all walkers, collectors, drivers and helpers for the **MARY'S MEALS STEP BY STEP TO FEED THE NEXT CHILD WALK**. The get-together will take place in the Divine Mercy Centre (behind St Eunan's Cathedral) on **Sunday 23rd July** at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome.

DONEGAL PRO LIFE welcomes Fr. Stephen Imbarrato (Life Ministries, USA) and Bernadette Smyth (Precious Life, Belfast) to Letterkenny on **Wednesday 26th July**. Fr. Imbarrato will **CELEBRATE A 'MASS FOR LIFE'** in St. Eunan's Cathedral at 7 pm - immediately followed by a presentation on 'The Way Forward' in Dillon's Hotel, Main Street at 8 pm. Everyone is welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC HEALING NIGHT ~ Will be held in All Saints Church, Newtowncunningham will be held on **Thursday 27th July** at 7 pm. "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matt 11:28-30

SIGNED MASS CARDS are available in the Parochial House and Sacristy.

Sunday 23rd July ~ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm Baptisms: 2.30 pm	
Monday 24th July ~ St. Sharbel Makhluf, priest & St. Declan, bishop	
8 am Mass ~ Doreen and John Ryan RIP 10 am Mass ~ Special Intention	
Tuesday 25th July ~ St. James, Apostle	
8 am Mass ~ Special Intention 10 am Mass ~ Kathleen Kelly RIP	
Wednesday 26th July ~ St. Joachim and St. Anne	
8 am Mass ~ Ethel Toland (nee McMenamin) RIP 10 am Mass ~ Special Intention 7 pm ~ Pro-Life Mass	Confessions ~ 7.30 pm
Thursday 27th July	
8 am Mass ~ Una Kerlin RIP 10 am Mass ~ Priest's Intention 7 pm - 8.30 pm ~ Cathedral Youth Group meet in the Pastoral Centre 8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room	
Friday 28th July	
8 am Mass ~ Mary O'Donnell RIP 7 pm Mass ~ Cormac Gallagher (Month's Mind Mass), Fintan Houston (First Anniversary), Bride McAuley (First Anniversary), Colette Coyle, Dermot Murphy Boyle, Barney McGinley, John McGinley, Sammy Johnston, Tori Johnston, Peggy Houston, Una Kerlin, Lena Hughes, James Hughes and Barney Winston RIP	10 am Mass ~ Priest's Intention
Saturday 29th July ~ St. Martha, St. Mary and St. Lazarus	
10 am Mass ~ Cora McGettigan RIP (Month's Mind Mass) and Philip McGettigan RIP Confessions ~ 12 noon - 1 pm and 7 pm 4 pm ~ Baptisms	1 pm ~ Nuptial 6 pm ~ Vigil Mass
Sunday 30th July ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm Baptisms: 2.30 pm	