Parish Office Hours: Monday to Thursday: 9.30am - 4.30pm/Friday 9.30am - 1pm
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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 22nd October - €5,772 **PARISH EXPENDITURE** ~ € 22,299.96

(includes €15,060.97 ~ final instalment of Annual Diocesan Dues)

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church

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

UPCOMING RETREATS AT ARDS FRIARY

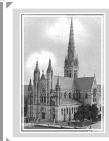
17th – 19th November ~ WALKING WITH THE MYSTICS ~ Facilitator: Fr. Richard Hendricks A Mystic is often defined as someone who lives from an experiential knowledge of the Divine. In this retreat we will encounter some of the great mystics of our tradition both male and female and see how we may integrate their insights into our own day to day lives to enrich our own spirituality and identify the inner mystic longing for the presence of God in our own hearts

8th - 10th December ~ ADVENT RETREAT ~ Facilitator: Philip McParland: In the weeks leading up to Christmas there is usually a lot going on in our lives. This weekend will offer you an opportunity to focus on your spiritual preparation. It will be both reflective and practical, suggesting ways to keep in touch with Jesus. For further details email: info@ardsfriary.ie or phone 0749138909 (Monday – Saturday 10 am - 4 pm) or 087- 4557796.

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER is a Weekend experience for any sacramentally married couple. Every relationship is a journey, and the grind of everyday life can cause you to lose touch with your spouse. This is a space for you and your spouse to pause, reflect, and reconnect privately. The next Marriage Enrichment Weekend is from the 3rd - 5th November at the Cork International Hotel, Cork. Visit: www.marriageencounter.ie or phone: 087-2162436 for bookings/info.

Townawilly Fundraising Committee, Donegal Town present Tommy Fleming in Concert in St. Agatha's Church, Clar, Donegal Town on **Saturday 2nd December at 8 pm.** Tickets are €33 each and are available online at www.tommyfleming.com/tickets or from Linda O'Donnell on 087 6596242 or from St Patrick's Parish Centre on 0749740461. Everyone welcome.

Mary's Meals Information Centre, Greenes 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 29th October 2023
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVENA FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The Annual Novena for the Faithful Departed will run from the 1st - 9th November at the evening Masses. 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 excepted; 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. Confessions as usual: Saturday: 12 noon and Wednesday: 7.30 pm.

PLENARY INDULGENCE FOR THE HOLY SOULS

From twelve o'clock noon on the 1st November until midnight on the 2nd November, all who have confessed, received Holy Communion and prayed for the Pope's intentions (one Our Father, one Hail Mary, or any other prayer of one's choice) can gain one plenary indulgence by visiting a Church or Oratory, and there reciting one Our Father and the Apostles Creed. This indulgence is applicable to the souls of the departed. Confession may be made at any time within the week preceding or following the 1st November. The faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence applicable only to the Holy Souls on the usual conditions once per day from the 1st - 8th November. The conditions mentioned above apply also for this.

WHAT IS AN INDULGENCE

Indulgences are the remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven. The faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains this indulgence under prescribed conditions for either himself or the departed. Indulgences are granted through the ministry of the Church which, as the dispenser of the grace of redemption, distributes the treasury of the merits of Christ and the saints.

Lord God, whose days are without end and whose mercies are without counting, keep us mindful that life is short and the hour of death unknown.

Let your Spirit guide our days on earth in the ways of holiness and justice that we may serve you in union with the whole Church, sure in faith, strong in hope, perfect in love.

And when our earthly journey is ended, lead us rejoicing into your Kingdom,

And when our earthly journey is ended, lead us rejoicing into your Kingdom where you live for ever and ever. Amen.

In November of each year an Annual Mass for the **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE RAPHOE DIOCESAN SOCIETY** is offered in a different parish. Mass this year will be celebrated in **St. Patrick's Church, Donegal Town** on **Thursday 16th November at 7 pm.** Celebrant will be Bishop Alan McGuckian, SJ. To enrol a person in the RDS contact your local Priest, Parish Office or email: rds@raphoediocese.ie for further information. The enrolment fee is €15 per person living or deceased. Four Masses (of perpetual foundation) shall be offered in each Parish every year, two for the Living and two for the Deceased members and Benefactors of the Society.

The **ROSARY** will be prayed at **Our Lady's Altar** on **Monday 30th October at 7 pm and Tuesday 31st October** after the Vigil Mass. Everyone welcome.

We are currently seeking **NEW MEMBERS** for our **CATHEDRAL ALTAR SOCIETY.** Can you spare an hour or two every 6 to 8 weeks? Please contact Adrienne on 086-3161376 or the Parish Office on 9121021. All are welcome.

FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY will take place at Market Square, Letterkenny on Saturday 4th November at 1pm. Please bring a friend or two.

ST. PIUS X ADORATION CHAPEL is situated in the grounds of Loreto Secondary School and beside the Divine Mercy Centre. Would you consider giving one hour of your week to sit and pray in the presence of the Lord? We are always looking for more adorers to commit to a specific hour each week. Maybe now the time is right for you to commit! The following hours are in need of Adorers: Sunday 1 pm - 2pm & 4 pm - 5 pm; Monday: 12noon - 1 pm; Tuesday: 8 am - 9 am, 10 am - 11 am, 12 noon - 1 pm; Wednesday: 9 am - 10 am; Thursday: 12 noon - 1 pm and 1 pm - 2 pm; Friday: 10 am - 11 am, 11 am - 12 noon. Please choose any hour that suits you. Please contact 0860870446 if interested.

TAKE THE RISK FOR CHRIST 'COME AND SEE' WEEKEND - EXPLORE PRIESTHOOD (19th - 20th November, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth). This is an opportunity for those who would like to find out more about the real-life experience of priestly life and what seminary formation is like. This 'Come and See' weekend will provide those attending, to meet seminarians and Priests and hear of their personal vocation stories. If interested in attending for further information, please email the National Vocations Office on: info@vocation.ie or phone Fr. Rory Brady, Raphoe Diocesan Vocations Director on 0749737015.

NEW FREE BEREAVEMENT GROUP – Are you struggling to come to terms with the death of a loved one? This will be a safe space where you can have a cup of tea or coffee and meet others who are also grieving. Starting **Monday 13th November** from 7 pm to 8.30 pm. Booking essential. **Autumn/Winter Brochure** available with a variety of courses and activities. For further information please contact **CARA HOUSE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE** on 0749123986 or 0861223029.

Sunday 29th October ~ Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm Baptisms: 2.30 pm October Devotions: 7 pm

Monday 30th October

10 am Mass ~ Thomas Ward RIP (First Anniversary)

Tuesday 31st October ~ Bl. Dominic Collins, martyr

8 am Mass ~ Our Lady's Intentions

10 am Mass ~ Rosanne Gallagher RIP (Month's Mind Mass)

6 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions 7 pm Mass ~ Vigil Mass

Wednesday 1st November ~ Feast of All Saints

MASS TIMES: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 7 pm (NOVENA)

CONFESSIONS: After 7 pm Mass 8 pm ~ YOUTH 2000 Prayer Group

Thursday 2nd November ~ Feast of All Souls

MASS TIMES: 8 am, 10 am and 7 pm (NOVENA)

8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room

Friday 3rd November ~ St. Malachy, bishop

8 am Mass ~ Philip Rooney RIP

10 am Mass ~ Johnny and Dolores Blake RIP

7 pm Mass ~ NOVENA

Saturday 4th November ~ St. Charles Borromeo, bishop

10 am Mass ~ Jim Nallen RIP (Month's Mind Mass)

First Saturday Devotions ~ after 10 am Mass. Everyone welcome.

Confessions ~ 12 noon - 1 pm and 7 pm

4 pm ~ Baptisms

 $6~pm \sim Vigil~Mass~(NOVENA)$

Sunday 5th November ~ Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm (NOVENA)
Baptisms: 2.30 pm

DIVINE MERCY CENTRE, LETTERKENNY ~ Phone: 0749169934

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