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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 14th January - €7,183

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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).

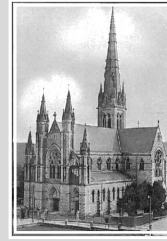
BAPTISM PREPARATION ~ We have uploaded a number of videos under 'Featured Videos' for Parents, in Preparation for their child's Baptism on our website: www.steunanscathedral.ie

The **ROTARY CLUB LETTERKENNY** raised €8,000 through the annual Christmas Tree Appeal. St. Vincent De Paul and No Barriers Foundation charities will be among the beneficiaries. A **SERVICE** for the dedication of the Ribbons will take place on **Sunday 21st January at 7 pm in Conwal Parish Church**. Please join us to remember our loved ones and for light refreshments afterwards.

RAPHOE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES led by Bishop Alan McGuckian will take place from the **27th May for four nights**. Direct return flights from City of Derry Airport to Lourdes; Airport transfers and assistance in Lourdes; Hotel Agena €835 pps; Hotel Panorama €879 pps; 4 nights' hotel accommodation - full board, breakfast, lunch and dinner; Airport taxes; Sanctuary Levy; 20kg check in luggage; full service of Joe Walsh Tours representatives throughout; full religious programme; optional return airport transfers from Letterkenny to City of Derry Airport €20 pp. **For bookings, please contact: Joe Walsh Tours: 01-2410800; email: info@hoewalstours.ie** **ASSISTED SECTION: Apply in writing to Fr. Stephen Gorman, Parochial House, Milford, Co. Donegal. F92W5C8; email: lourdes@raphoediocese.ie or phone: 0749153236**

DONEGAL ETB'S 2024 FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING FAIR will be held in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny on **Wednesday 28th February**, from 7 pm - 9 pm and on **Thursday 29th February** from 10 am - 2 pm. The Fair is free and open to everyone who would like information on the wide range of full time, part-time, evening and online education and training opportunities offered by Donegal ETB's FET Service. Tutors and advisers will be available to talk through the ETB's comprehensive range of opportunities.

A **DIVINE MERCY ALCOVE** as been established in **St. Mary's Church, Convoy, which includes a first-class relic of St Faustina**. We would like to draw up a list of Divine Mercy Groups, no matter the size. Please send details to Fr. Eamonn Kelly, Parochial House, Convoy, Co. Donegal or email: eamonnkelly1949@gmail.com or phone: 0879077985 before the 8th February. We hope to connect with all groups.



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 21st January
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. PIUS X ADORATION CHAPEL

'Speak Lord your servant is listening': **WOULD YOU CONSIDER DOING AN HOUR OF ADORATION IN ST. PIUS X ADORATION CHAPEL**, situated on the grounds of Loreto Secondary School? The Adoration Chapel has round the clock Adoration from a Sunday at 1 pm until a Friday at 8 pm. **Can you give one hour of your week to spend in quiet prayer and listen to the Lord?** We need more committed adorers - that is, someone who will be there faithfully every week (or someone in your place) at an hour suitable to you.

THE FOLLOWING HOURS ARE IN NEED OF ADORERS:

Wednesday: 9 am - 10 am; Tuesday: 10 am - 11 am; Wednesday: 2 pm - 3 pm;
Wednesday: 3 pm - 4 pm; Thursday: 4 am - 5 am; Thursday: 8 am - 9 am
and Thursday: 2 pm - 3 pm.

Lent is fast approaching and is often described as a time of preparation and an opportunity to go deeper with God in prayer. This means that it's a time for personal reflection that prepares people's hearts and minds for Easter. **Are you up for the challenge?** If interested, please contact: 086-0870446.

ST. BRIGIDS CROSS MAKING

On Thursday 1st February, we will celebrate the Feast Day of Ireland's secondary Patron Saint, namely St. Brigid, affectionately known as Mary of the Gael (Muire na nGael), who was renowned for her deep faith, warm hospitality, and care of the sick. Inspired by these saintly qualities, the beautiful custom arose, that was passed down through the generations, of families, neighbours, friends, and communities, gathering together on the eve of her Feast Day (31st January), to make the traditional St. Brigid's Cross. This Cross with either three or four arms, and a woven pattern in the centre, is used to invoke God's blessing and protection.

On the eve of St. Brigid's Day, 31st January, you are most warmly invited to come along to join in the making of St. Brigid's Crosses and to keep the flame of this beautiful tradition alight at 6 pm and again at 8 pm, in the Divine Mercy Centre. Rushes will be provided, Crosses will be blessed, and of course, in true hospitable St. Brigid fashion, light refreshments will be provided.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY (18th - 25th January) ~ *You shall love the Lord your God . . . and your neighbour as yourself* (Luke: 10:27) The theme for 2024 is based on a text from the Gospel of St. Luke, with material prepared by an ecumenical team from Burkina Faso, facilitated by the local Chemin Neuf Community, whose members have a special commitment to Christian unity. Burkina Faso in the Sahel region of West Africa, is a country of 22 million people, with a Christian population of 26%. It's political and social situation is unstable, with many threats to peace and social cohesion. The theme, leading to the parable of the Good Samaritan, and the material prepared during such a precarious period in the country's history helps us to recognise that the love of Christ unites all Christians and is stronger than their divisions.

PARISH CONFIRMATION DATES~ Saturday 27th January: 12 noon - Gaelscoil Adhamhnáin and 3 pm - Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál; Saturday 10th February: 12 noon - Scoil Cholmcille and 3 pm - Scoil Naomh Fiachra, Illistrin

'DIVINE MERCY IN THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM' - Full Day Retreat on Saturday 27th January. The rays in the Divine Mercy Image represent the sacraments. The pale ray, the water, represents chiefly two sacraments: Baptism and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In this retreat we will focus on Baptism. It's like an unwrapped gift in the lives of so many of us. We are called to live out that gift every single day of our lives. So to learn more about what grace comes with Baptism and how to make it more active in my lives. The retreat starts at 10 am with Mass in the Cathedral and continues until 7 pm. It will consist of talks, moments of prayer and reflection and sharing our experience of faith. We will also gather around the table for lunch. **Please note: it is necessary to book for all our retreats.** To do so, or for more information please contact the Divine Mercy Centre at: 074 916 9934 or dvmletterkenny@gmail.com.

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD: 'Adult Silent Retreat', Ards Friary, (Friday 2nd – Monday 5th February). The Servant Brothers from the Home of the Mother will lead us in a series of guided spiritual exercises each day along with rosary, adoration and Holy Mass. To book or more information please contact: Rory 086 8231717.

Omagh Charismatic Prayer Group invite you to the **Sacred Heart Church, Omagh** on Thursday evenings during Lent in conjunction with Mass at 7.30 pm for **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS**. 15th February: *God's Love* - Fr. Charles Cross; 22nd February: *Salvation* - Rev. Dr. Columba M. Toman, OP; 29th February: *The New Life* – Martina Purdy; 7th March: *Receiving God's Gifts* - Fr. Eugene Barrett OFM; 14th March: *Baptism in the Spirit* - Fr. Eamonn Kelly; 21st March: *Growth and Transformation* - Bishop Donal McKeown. For further information please visit: www.drumraghparish.com/media.html

DONEGAL PIONEERS: Become a member today. Please contact Gerry on: 085-1117883, email: donegalpioneers@gmail.com or join/like us on Facebook: Donegal Pioneer Group or visit: www.pioneers.ie

Sunday 21st January ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm	
Monday 22nd January ~ St. Vincent, deacon and martyr	
8 am Mass ~ Anne Barnes RIP	
10 am Mass ~ Helen and Dennis Van De Heuvel RIP	
Tuesday 23rd January	
8 am Mass ~ Special Intention	
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention	6 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions
7 pm Mass ~ Packie and Hannah Gibbons RIP	
Wednesday 24th January ~ St. Francis de Sales	
8 am Mass ~ Anthony Leavy RIP	
10 am Mass ~ Special Intention	
7pm Mass ~ Priest's Intention	
Confessions: After 7 pm Mass	
Thursday 25th January ~ The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle	
8 am Mass ~ Jim and Kathleen McGhee RIP	
10 am Mass ~ Mary and Harry Russell RIP	
7 pm Mass ~ Dermot Donohue RIP (First Anniversary)	
7 pm ~ Cathedral Youth Group meet in the Pastoral Centre	
Friday 26th January ~ Ss. Timothy and Titus, bishops	
8 am Mass ~ Special Intention	
10 am Mass ~ Jack and Kathleen Lynch RIP	
7 pm Mass ~ Annette Duffy (Month's Mind Mass), Michael (Mick) Dunleavy (First Anniversary), Keith Boyle (First Anniversary), Michael Kelly, Peter O'Donnell, Charlie O'Donnell, Gerry Callaghan, Barney Crerand, Betty Crerand and Thomas Gallagher RIP	
Saturday 27th January ~ St. Angela Merici, virgin and religious	
10 am Mass ~ Sr. Perpetua O'Donnell RIP (Month's Mind Mass)	
12 noon ~ Gaelscoil Confirmation	
3 pm ~ Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál Confirmation	Baptisms: 4.45 pm
Vigil Mass ~ 6 pm	Confessions ~ 7 pm
Sunday 28th January ~ Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm	
Baptisms: 2.30 pm	