

NEWSLETTER

Parish of Aughaninshin Church of the Irish Martyrs



THE DEEP END

GIVING EVERYTHING

In today's Gospel, Jesus is courageously speaking out against the hypocrisy of the so-called 'religious' of his time. This passage is encouraging all his followers to engage in a reality check. The hypocrisy of the scribes is in total contrast to the humility and generosity of the widow in the second part of the Gospel. She gives not of what she has to spare, but everything she has. She is free. We don't have to restrict this example to money either.

At the end of this month, a vitally important meeting is taking place in Paris called COP21. World leaders will gather to try to settle on a universal agreement on climate change action. It is a hugely difficult task; one that has not been achieved before. We are asked to pray and to continue to put pressure on our governments to take real action on climate change. The widow gave her all in the Gospel today and we are challenged to model her behaviour rather than the behaviour of the 'elite' of the opening verses.

'The idea of infinite or unlimited growth... is based on the lie that there is an infinite supply of the earth's goods, and this leads to the planet being squeezed dry at every limit. Yet all is not lost. Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start.'

Pope Francis, Laudato Si'

Jane Mellett

Times of Masses & Services

Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening	6.30pm
Sunday Morning	9.30am & 11.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday to Saturday	9.30am
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Confessions

After Saturday evening Mass or on request

Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm
2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at 4pm

Parents who wish to have their child baptised must give at least 2 weeks notice and will be visited by members of the Baptism Preparation Team to assist you in your preparation for the Sacrament.

*No times outside of the above
are available for Baptisms.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION The Mass with Kath & Qumen

Who does what at Mass?

At every Mass you will notice that some members of the assembly have different jobs. We call these jobs 'ministries'. Let's look at some more of them:

THE COLLECTORS: The people who collect our gift money during Mass.

THE MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST: The person who helps to give out communion at Mass. They sometimes bring communion to those who are unable to come to Mass because they are sick.

MUSIC: Many parishes have choirs - groups of people who sing at Mass. Their singing helps the whole assembly to pray and we are all encouraged to join with the choir. Some parishes may have people who lead the assembly in singing. These are called cantors.

SALE OF JEWELLERY, CARDS, BOOKS, ETC.

In the conference room after 7.30pm mass on 14th November and after all masses on Sunday 15th November. Ideal for Christmas

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

7th September 2016 with Spiritual Director. €699 per person. EARLY BOOKING OFFER - €100 off if paid in full by 11th December, 2015. For further information and to book contact Kathleen at 074-9121641 or 086-3721962.

LETTERKENNY ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

The next meeting is on Thursday 12th November at 2 30 pm in The Regional Cultural Centre. The REGIONAL AGM and Xmas party is on Wednesday 11th November at 11am in The Abbey Hotel Donegal Town. All members very welcome.

ROYAL & PRIOR PARENTS ASSOCIATION

are holding a FASHION SHOW in Mount Errigal Hotel on Tuesday 10th November at 8pm. Tickets Adults €10.00 Students €5.00. Tickets can be bought at the door. Your support would be appreciated.

ANAM CARA

Is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Thursday 12th of November 2015 from 19:30 to 21:30 in the Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal. All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents. Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for room set up, we would appreciate if you could RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Wednesday, 11th November 2015 or call us on 01 4045378.

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will be held in Bonagee Community Centre on Sunday 8th November. Dancing 8pm---11pm. Admission (including supper) €7. Everyone welcome.

BLAZE LADIES SOCIAL BASKETBALL

Are you interested in having fun while getting exercise? Have you considered playing basketball? Even if you haven't played since your school days way back when, this is the chance for you, the Social ladies play every Tuesday night from 7:30 to 8:30 in the Loreto Convent. Please come along, and give it a go - its a fun option and it gets you off the couch!

ST PADRE PIO PRAYER MEETING

Is on second thursday of every Month in new chapel in Letterkenny general hospital. (12th November) Starting at 7.30pm, with Mass, Rosary, Benediction, veneration and blessing with first class relic. Everyone very welcome. Can you put this in this weeks newsletter.

ADVENT RETRAT

Fri 27th - Sun 29th November Advent Retreat. Directed by Fr. Mark Byrne SOLT. Commences: Friday 6pm (With Supper). Concludes: Sunday After Lunch. Cost: Residential: €140, Non Residential: €80. Contact: Ards Friary, Creeslough, Co. Donegal. Tel: 074 913909 Email: info@ardsfriary.ie.

LETTERKENNY CARE OF THE AGED

A social for the 'Young at Heart Club' will be held in the Social Centre, Oliver Plunkett Road on Tuesday, 10th November at 8pm. This social will be hosted by the Letterkenny Golf Club (Ladies Branch).

CURSILLO

The Letterkenny Cursillo Ultreya will take place on Sunday, 8th November at 8pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs. All members new and 'old' are always welcome.

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