

Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening 6.30pm
Sunday Morning 9.30am & 11.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday to Saturday 9.30am

Confessions

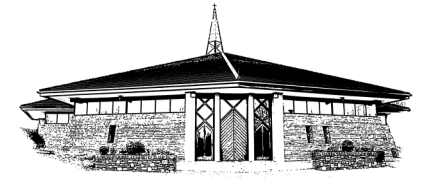
After Saturday evening Mass & on request

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays after 9.30am Mass
until 9pm &
1st Saturday from 7.30pm
to 9.30am Sunday

Church of the Irish Martyrs

4th February 2018



1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2018

Dates for Masses

Saturday /Sunday 10 & 11th February 2018
Saturday /Sunday 3rd & 4th March 2018
Saturday /Sunday 14th & 15th April 2018



CONFIRMATION 2018

Date for YSBMYW Programme
Tuesday, 6th February 2018

Baptisms

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

Parents, living in the Parish, 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.

Seeds of Faith Newsletter

Available in the Front Porch
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Newsletter

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Fr. Brian Quinn P.P.

Fr. James Gillespie C.C.

THE DEEP END

Jesus the Healer

In today's gospel we read about Jesus' first healing in Mark's Gospel. Jesus hears of the illness of the mother of Simon's wife and goes to her. Due to the purity laws of his time this scene would have been considered controversial. His first healing is of a woman and we are told that he touches her, raises her up; he completely restores her to health. Many of his actions here would be considered taboo.

The 'whole city' was crowded around the door as people wanted to also be healed. What a commotion! Jesus, very early on in his ministry, is clearly a very popular, attractive figure. Jesus is the healer. We might ask ourselves today: who do we know who is in need of healing of any kind? This week, how can we reach out to them?

Another important aspect of this story is that Jesus does not remain comfortable in this house. He keeps moving, keeps going outward. This requires so much energy and an outpouring of love for those in need. Jesus shows us in today's gospel what it takes to stay connected, to re-energise ourselves for our various tasks: quiet time and space for real encounter with God. Even then, the people hunted for him. 'Everyone is searching for you', and still today, everyone is searching. It is up to all of us to help those on this journey, the seekers, the lost and those in need of healing. We cannot break new ground unless we are inwardly free and connected to that divine presence within us and in our world.

Jane Mellett

VINCENT'S (SVP – CHARITY SHOP)

Lower Main St, Letterkenny. We are in urgent need of more clothes, shoes, household goods and small items of furniture suitable for sale. We also need carrier bags which we can reuse. We are open Monday to Saturday, 10am to 5.15pm. Thanks for your support.

GAELSCOIL ADHAMHNÁIN ENROLMENT

Iarratas Clarú(Enrolment Application. don Scoilbhliain 2018/2019 (for school year 2018/2019). Dé Céadaoin 7ú Feabhra 2018 (Wednesday 7th February 2018) 9.30a.m. - 3.00p.m. Please bring Birth and Baptismal Certificates.

RADIO MARIA IRELAND

Is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – all commercial free – Listen via FREE App “RADIO MARIA IRELAND”, streaming on www.radiomaria.ie or via PHONE – get live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Please join our growing faith family!

LETTERKENNY ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of LARA will take place on Thursday 8th February at 2.30p.m. in the Regional Cultural Centre. The monthly activity day is on the third Thursday each month from 1.30 to 4p.m. in the same venue. Members also take part in a curling league each week. New members always welcome

C'MON GIVE US A SONG!

Why not join our national sing-along on the first weekend of February 2018 marking WORLD CANCER DAY on Sunday 04 Feb? We call on singers, choirs, groups in clubs, in churches, in halls- at work, at play or at home etc. etc. all over Ireland (and beyond!) to get up and sing during the weekend of 04 February to mark World Cancer Day - it can be as simple or as elaborate as people wish to make it - we simply say Give us A Song! People can choose Saturday 3rd or Sunday, 4th to hold their session or event and invite donations for the Caroline Foundation for Cancer Research. C'mon Give Us a Song!

ST PADRE PIO PRAYER MEETING

Is on second Thursday of every month in the chapel in Letterkenny University Hospital. (8th February). Starting at 7.30pm, with Mass, Rosary, Benediction, veneration and blessing with first class relic. Everyone is very welcome.

YOUTHSCAPE PROGRAMME – KEY INFORMATION

Youthscape is a cross community and cross border programme which is young person centred. The programme focuses on 3 key areas; Personal Development, Good Relations and Citizenship. It is intended for young people between the ages of 16 – 24 who are not in full-time education, employment or training. More info @ 074 912 9630.

MENTAL FITNESS AND WELL-BEING

Raphoe Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Letterkenny. Starts Wednesday 7th March from 7.30 pm till 9.30 pm. Four weekly sessions till 28th of March 2018. Would you like to learn how to face your feelings of anxiety and depression? This is a course which will help you to improve your mental health and well-being. Some techniques of anger management will be included. Course will be €90/ concession: €60. To secure a place a deposit of €20 is required and fee needs to be paid in full before the first evening. Concession is available. Facilitator: Kathy O'Connor. Classes are open to all adults. Numbers limited. Tel: 07491 21853.

STYLE-COACHING

In Raphoe Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Letterkenny. Start date: Monday evening March 12th, from 7.00pm till 10pm. Three evenings till 26th of March. If you would like to learn how to dress smart, elegant, in your own style-personality and build up your self-esteem, then come along to this unique course in Donegal. Course will be €90/ €60 concession. To secure a place a deposit of €20 is required and fee needs to be paid in full before the first evening. Facilitator: Catriona Mc Grath. Numbers limited. Tel: 074 91 21853.

TAX RELIEF SCHEME

We will soon be sending out CHY3 & 4 Certs to those whose donations may qualify for Tax Relief. A huge thank you to everyone who has availed of this scheme to date.