



# St Eugene's Cathedral

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Parish of Templemore

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Fr Gerard Mongan  
Fr Peter O'Kane  
Fr Daniel McFaul

Deacon: Rev Brendan Collins

This week, published in the bulletin, are the accounts for last year, 1st January – 31st December 2011. I want to thank you for your ongoing generous contributions which enables us to maintain the Cathedral and also to run the parish. As you can see from the accounts it takes both the contributions to the Church and to the renovations to pay for the routine costs. The accounts also show the dramatic increase in the price of heating last year for the same consumption of oil.

At this time of economic recession I want to acknowledge with deep gratitude the fact that your contributions have not declined over the last year. This is evidence of your great commitment to the parish and to your faith.

I am grateful to the many people who give so generously of their time and talents to enrich the liturgies, ceremonies and maintain the fabric and life of the Parish.

I want to thank my predecessors for the great job that was done to the exterior of the Parochial House. This project is now complete.

As an historic building, the Cathedral demands ongoing care and maintenance. As we look to the future we will begin work on the South Porch which will deal with the dampness and bring the porch up to the required standard of health and safety. A few areas of damp will also need to be addressed inside the Cathedral particularly the persistent damp problem below the windows. Work is also necessary in the bell tower and the main entrance. There are some damp issues there too as well as basic maintenance work on the timbers, walls and windows. We also have to take measures to keep the pigeons out! Towards the end of the work in the bell tower, the main entrance porch will be refurbished and the eight Austrian Oak statues will be relocated in the porch.

As well as maintaining the fabric of the building, we need to begin to invest more and more in the people of the parish, especially the young if the Cathedral is to be a vibrant place of faith. In this Year of Faith it is time for us to look to the future with confidence – we need to plan ahead. We have been entrusted with faith and it is our gift and responsibility to hand that on to future generations. We will only be able to do this if we ourselves are educated in our faith and if we invest in our young people. As the main church of the diocese we will also invite people to come to the Cathedral to renew and celebrate their faith.

In this Year of Faith we will have a number of initiatives in the parish including adult faith formation and establishing a Parish Pastoral Council. The major undertaking this year will be to bring together a group of young people who will live together and work in the parish and in schools throughout the diocese building up the faith of young people. It is a very exciting project and more details will follow soon.

It is a very challenging and exciting time to be called to be members of Christ's body in the Church. When we work together with Jesus as our focus we ensure that the gift of faith will live and grow for generations to come.

Thank you again for your support to our parish and together let us continue to proclaim the Good News of Jesus to others.

PARISH OF ST EUGENE'S CATHEDRAL

	CREDIT £
Contributions to the Church (envelopes and cash) (2010 - 200,783)	197,861
Contributions to Renovations (June - December 2010 - 28,382)	43,684
Donations for flowers, Christmas crib etc	2,266
Refund of tax under Gift Aid Scheme	18,273
Income from shrine candles	29,229
Wedding booking fees	3,700
Rent from Gatelodge	1,500
Interest on parochial bank current accounts (2010 - 48)	105
Interest on parochial bank deposit accounts (2010 - 3,830)	3,068
	<b>299,686</b>
<b>Special collections and donations for external purposes</b>	
Clerical Education	4,213
Trócaire's Lenten Appeal	32,000
Diocesan Purposes	5,005
Holy Land	360
Peter's Pence	4,628
Propagation of the Faith	5,223
Trust Fund for Retired Priests	3,303
Lourdes Hospitalité Collection	959
Eucharistic Congress	1,065
Emigrants Collection	1,015
Parish Missionaries Overseas	4,280
Nazareth House Collection	3,130
Donations to be given to charity	440
Donations to Trócaire	5,179
Horn of Africa	12,050
Japanese Earthquake	1,170
Haiti Earthquake	140
Moshi Project	25
Fr Patrick McIntyre's Missionary Work	610
Remember Our Child	10
Young Priests	20
Smile Train UK	255
	<b>85,080</b>
<b>TOTAL ROUTINE INCOME</b>	<b><u>384,766</u></b>
<b>INCOME DERIVED FROM FUNDRAISING</b>	
Profit from 2011 Easter and Christmas Draws	19,717
Legacies, Special Donations, fundraising activities etc	25,472
<b>CAPITAL/MAJOR MAINTENANCE FUNDING</b>	
Grant from Historical Buildings for exterior Parochial House Renovations	112,652
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b><u>542,607</u></b>
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2011

	DEBIT £
Priests' salaries	35,547
Pastoral Development	3,718
Employee's wages (2010 - 75,574)	75,798
Lighting of all parochial property (2010 - 6,149)	5,953
Heating on all parochial property (2010 - 28,306)	36,661
Routine maintenance and repairs of all parochial property	12,587
Normal requisites and consumables for all parochial property	17,180
Upkeep of Cathedral gardens (plants etc)	4,850
Music and Choirs	1,097
Bulletin Fronts	875
Flowers for altar	1,327
Planned giving envelopes	1,422
Insurance premiums on all parochial property (2010 - 24,280)	24,107
Rates and rents on all parochial property	1,720
Telephone, postage, stationery and office equipment	7,876
Loss from bookstall	56
Annual payment to Diocesan funds (13% of previous year's operating income)	35,555
Bank charges	1,935
Special collections and donations for external purposes	85,080
TOTAL ROUTINE EXPENDITURE	<u>353,344</u>
Surplus of routine income over routine expenditure	31,422
CAPITAL/MAJOR MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE	
Exterior Renovations of Parochial House (2010 - 442,812)	143,425
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>528,191</u>
Surplus of Deposit Fund (Fundraising less Capital/Major Maintenance deficit)	14,416
	<u><u>542,607</u></u>

## Sympathy

Teresa (Bernie) Kearney, 27 Ernest Street.  
Lila McLaughlin, 40 Drummond Park.  
Joseph McCloskey, 30 Abbey House.  
May they rest in peace.

## Anniversaries

Margaret Harrigan, Hugh and Hugo Hegarty,  
Thomas Kehoe, Eileen Smith, Ciara McLaughlin,  
Jackie McGonagle (nee Carey), James McGeehan  
and Jimmy Crossan. May they rest in peace.

## Baptism

We welcome as a member of the  
Christian community:  
Corah Margaret Mary Curran,  
31 Grafton Street.



## Readers

### Weekdays

10.00 am Rota 07.30 pm Angela McCallion  
Readers on duty next weekend  
06.15 pm Mary McDowell  
07.30 pm Anne Griffin  
09.30 am Children's Mass  
11.00 am Lucy O'Kane/Nathan McClintock  
12.30 pm Sean Hickey



## Eucharistic Ministers

Team \*C\* begins its rota at the 6.15 pm  
Vigil Mass next weekend.



'Do This In Memory' Mass for children preparing  
for First Holy Communion next Sunday (28th  
October) at 9.30 am Mass here in St Eugene's  
Cathedral.

Forty Hours Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
in St Columba's Church, Long Tower begins on  
Sunday next, 28th October after 12 noon Mass. The  
first day concludes with the Novena at 6.00 pm.  
Adoration recommences after 10.00 am Mass on  
Monday and concludes with Night Prayer and  
Solemn Benediction at 10.00 pm.

Pope John Paul II Award: The Parish of  
Templemore (St Eugene's Cathedral and St  
Columba's Church, Long Tower) will launch the  
Pope John Paul II Award on Saturday, 3rd November  
at 4.00 pm. The award is open to all 16 - 18 year  
olds living in the parish. Anyone who has signed  
up, or is thinking about signing up to do the award  
in this parish is welcome to attend. The launch aims  
to introduce all participants to the award structure  
within this parish, and give an insight into what to  
expect across the year. The launch will be followed  
by 6.15pm Mass in St Eugene's Cathedral and  
refreshments afterwards in the Parochial House. To  
register your attendance, contact Aine McDaid  
(Youth Ministry) on 02871262894/07592383949, or  
email aine.mcdaid@derrydiocese.org.

Choose Life: We are all invited to pray a special  
'Prayer for the Child in the Womb'. Prayer leaflets  
are available at the back of the Cathedral.

Monthly meeting of St Joseph's Young Priests  
Society on Wednesday after 10.00 am Mass upstairs  
in the Sacristy here in St Eugene's Cathedral.

Fr Farren acknowledges with thanks donations  
for: Concern: £200. Missions: £40. St Pio:  
€7.55. Altar Flowers: £20.

Last Week's Collection amounted to £3,457.

Renovations Collection amounted to £775.

There will be a Concelebrated Mass in St Eugene's Cathedral at 7.30 pm on Friday, 2nd November for the deceased members of each home in the parish. An invitation will be sent to the families of those buried from the Cathedral during the past year asking each family to nominate a representative to receive a candle in memory of their loved one. If anyone has lost a close relative who was buried from another church during the past year please leave the deceased's name in the Sacristy or Parochial House so that they can be remembered in the Mass and nominate someone to receive a candle in their memory.

## 'Do This In Memory' - First Communion Preparation

WHO DOES WHAT AT MASS (1)? 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 of them

THE PRIEST: At Mass the priest leads us and encourages us to play our part in the celebration. How does he do this? He: • Leads us in prayer • Invites us to listen to God's word • Helps us to understand and make sense of the Word of God in our daily lives through his homily • Takes our gifts, the bread and wine, offers them to God and prays that by the power of the Holy Spirit they will become the body and blood of Jesus Christ.

THE SERVERS: Servers are normally boys and girls who have received their First Communion. Their job is to help the priest during Mass. They can carry books, bring water and wine, wash the priest's hands and ring bells.

MINISTER OF THE WORD: Even though we sometimes call this person the reader, the proper name is 'Minister of the Word'. The readings of Mass come from the Bible. They are the Word of God and so we can say that we hear God speaking to us through the voice of the Minister of the Word.

Excerpt from 'Learning About the Mass with Kath and Qumen'



## ST COLUMB'S CHURCH, LONG TOWER - SOLEMN NOVENA

To begin the YEAR OF FAITH 2012/13

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

On the 9 Sundays before Christmas at 6.00 pm beginning on Sunday next, 28th October.

WHAT DO I BELIEVE? EXPLORING OUR FAITH.