

TODAY 16th NOVEMBER 2014

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The emphasis in the readings today is on fidelity and on dedication to duty and work. It is more blessed to give: talents and gifts are given for service of the community. The Christian is to be fully dedicated to working in the service of others while watching and waiting for the life to come. There is always so much good to be done for others and so little time to do it.

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How often fear and anxiety prevent people from producing their best, from using their God-given talents to the full. In today's parable Jesus shows that a God who inspires fear may inspire little else. His image of God as a loving father inspires confidence and so enables us to develop what he has given us.

TRÓCAIRE - MESSAGE OF THANKS

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF SYRIA AND THE PHILIPPINES

One year ago collections were held in churches across Ireland in response to humanitarian emergencies in Syria and the Philippines. These collections raised €5.1m, which has supported Trócaire's response in both regions.

Trócaire wish to once again express their sincere thanks to the people of St Mary's parish for their generosity, helping reach approximately 725,000 people affected by these crises.

Please see our Cathedral Noticeboard for Trócaire's newsletter outlining the projects supported by your donations.

IONA INSTITUTE TALK GIVEN BY BISHOP KEVIN DORAN

Bishop Kevin will give a talk on "Marriage and the Common Good", discussing what marriage is, the trends affecting it, what the Church has to say about it, how the institution of marriage contributes to the common good and the welfare of children and why it would be a mistake to redefine it. The talk, hosted by the Iona Institute, takes place on Thursday 27th November at 8pm in the Abbey Hotel, Roscommon. Admission is free of charge. If you would like to attend please email bconroy@ionainstitute.ie or phone 01 6619 204. Tea/coffee will be served afterwards.

BAPTISMS We welcome into God's family SEANAGH STALLARD and SEREN KEAVENEY recently baptised in our Cathedral.

READINGS Sunday November 23rd 1st Reading Ezek. 34: 11-12, 15-17, 30-31; 2nd Reading: 1 Cor. 15:20-26 28; Gospel: Matt. 25: 31-48.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK Lord, free my soul from all that is earthly, all that is hard & cruel so that in your love I may have peace. Amen.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK Mon 17 St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious ; Sat 22 St Cecilia, virgin and martyr.



NOVEMBER - THE MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

CEMETERY ROSARY



The Rosary will be recited in Sligo Cemetery today at 3 P.M.

26th ANNUAL SLIGO INTERNATIONAL CHORAL FESTIVAL

Concludes today, Sunday 16th November.

The past three days have seen 50 choirs from across the globe participate in this world class event.

Today we extend a *céad míle fáilte* to Our Lady of Victories Gospel Choir from Dublin and the Enniscorthy Choral Society and thank them for joining us and enhancing our 10.30am & 12 Noon Masses.

Advent 2014 in Sligo Cathedral

ADVENT COMMENCES SUNDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2014

Way of Gentleness

A celebration of the coming of the Christ Child, in our CATHEDRAL on **TUESDAYS 25th November and December 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd at 8:00 P.M.** The call to focus on Christ's coming into our hearts and homes is the only true meaning of Christmas. Everyone is welcome to join in this hour of guided prayer, silent time and music in preparation for Christmas.

Cathedral Choir Candlelit Carol Service

Sunday 21st December at 8:15 P.M. Save the date!

HEALING & RENEWAL WEEKEND Joe Dalton and Fr. John Keane renowned in the healing ministry host the Annual Charismatic Weekend 28th-30th November in Holyrood Hotel Bundoran, Co. Donegal with a limited special hotel rate available at 071 984 1232. For more call Mary 087 784 7304 or Nuala 086 838 3725.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETINGS Next weekly meeting on Wednesday, Nov 19th in the Gillooly Hall at 8:30 P.M. All welcome.

CATHOLIC DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS & MEDITATIONS For short, easily readable guides for daily scripture reading and meditation online please visit www.rc.net/wcc/readings/

BINGO - GILLOOLY HALL

Tonight, November 16th at 9:00 P.M. with a JACKPOT of €2,050!! Raffle at interval with refreshments available. All welcome!!

SLIGO CATHEDRAL PARISH – 2200 FAMILIES

SUNDAY 9th NOVEMBER

PAPARISH ENV: €3,106 PL/STAND. ORD: €1,452

THANK YOU for your contribution.

ST MARY'S PRESBYTERY ☎ 071 916 2670 SACRISTY ☎ 071 916 1261

✉ e-mail us @ news@sligocathedral.ie We welcome your comments.

Dates to Remember

ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY SLIGO Annual Church Gate Collection Takes place this weekend after all Masses. All donations gratefully received.

MERCY COLLEGE CHRISTMAS FAIR On Sunday December 7th in Mercy College Gym 12 noon to 6 P.M. Admission free.

JOB VACANCY - THE DIOCESE OF ELPHIN Is currently recruiting for a Finance & Development Director, based in Sligo. Information & job description available on www.elphindiocese.ie Closing date Monday 17th November 2014.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES Mercy College Sligo: Flower Arranging from November 18th for 4 weeks @ 8pm. Computer & Art classes continue Tuesdays @ 7.30pm. Enquiries to 087 675 3772, e-mail mercycollegesligo@eircom.net

HEART SUPPORT GROUP MEETING In Sligo Park Hotel on Weds November 26th at 7p.m. Those with Heart Failure, families, friends & carers are welcome to an informative evening followed by tea, biscuits and a chat. Guest Speaker will be Anthony Ryan, Chief Cardiac Physiologist, Sligo Regional Hospital. Topic: *All you need to know about Devices, Pacemakers, ICDs & CRTs.*

FORGET-ME-KNOT Christmas Flower arranging & craft demonstration Weds Nov 19th in Sligo Park Hotel at 8pm. In aid of the Irish Kidney Association, Transplant Team Ireland & the "Circle of Life" Garden, Salthill, Galway. Bridie Nicholson, a double transplant recipient, will demonstrate a display of all things festive. Entry €10 with all items to be raffled at the end of the night.

SLIMMING WORLD Wednesdays in Gillooly hall @ 9:30 am, 11:30am, 5 pm & 7 pm. Drop in at any of these times or call Sarah on 087 639 8085.

SLIGO COMMUNITY ORCHARD AT ST MARY'S - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This group has come together to create, develop and maintain an organic orchard in Sligo for the benefit of local people, our native wild life and the environment we live in. Meetings take place on the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 2-4pm. The orchard is situated in the grounds of St Mary's opposite the Cathedral entrance and new members are always welcome. All enquiries c/o the Parish Office at 071 916 2670.

Anniversary & Remembrances

DAY	8.00 A.M.	10.30 A.M.
MON 17 th	THOMAS CAWLEY & Deceased Family Members	--
TUES 18 th	SOULS in PURGATORY	FRANK & DELIA CLANCY
WEDS 19 th	THOMAS O'CONNOR	JOSEPHINE & HARRY KENNY
THURS 20 th	ELLEN HESSION	NANO HARKIN & Her Son MICHAEL
FRI 21 st	MICHAEL & LILY HUGHES	--
SAT 22 nd	DENIS FARRELL	--

If you would like to book an Anniversary, Remembrance or Month's Mind Mass please contact the Cathedral Sacristan on 071 916 1261.

Rest in peace Your prayers are asked for the repose of the soul of: PEARL SCOTT, Castlebar, Mother of Rod Scott, Kevinsfort. May God grant her eternal rest and comfort and console her bereaved family and friends.