

**20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER - TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

The following of Christ is not for the ambitious and selfish. Christians will inevitably find their goodness, gentleness and love put to the test. They will survive the test only if their life is based on trust in God as his Father.

**BISHOP'S REFUGEE APPEAL** Following on from Bishop Kevin Doran's appeal to Parishioners within his diocese a survey document regarding the availability of possible accommodation for refugees can be found at the entrance to our Cathedral. Should you wish to help by providing accommodation for refugees we would ask you to please take a copy to complete and return to St. Mary's Presbytery, Temple St, Sligo. Please note this is only an initial enquiry regarding availability of accommodation.

**ELPHIN DIOCESE'S PARISH DEVELOPMENT & RENEWAL GATHERING THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH:**

**WHAT OUR BAPTISM TELLS US ABOUT OUR MISSION**

Takes place in St Joseph's Hall, Boyle on Saturday Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>. Bishop Kevin extends a warm invitation to us all, but particularly those who have not yet been to such an event, to come along "join the conversation...and encounter the Church in a new wholesome and dynamic way." See leaflets at our Cathedral entrance or visit [www.elphindiocese.ie/gathering](http://www.elphindiocese.ie/gathering) for full programme. All welcome.

**HOME RADIOS** We are happy to inform our parishioners that the home radios are now working again. A very special thank you to the Knights of Columbanus who sponsored the repair work to the radios. We also thank Frank Murphy (Knights of Columbanus) for coordinating this work along with Dermot Reynolds who carried out the repairs.

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK** Mon 21 St Matthew, apostle and evangelist; Weds 23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), priest St. Eunan, abbot; Fri 25 St. Finbarr, bishop; Sat 26 Ss. Cosmas and Damian, martyrs.

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK** Lord, we are all made in your image. Grant me humility of mind and simplicity of spirit. Amen

**YOUTH 2000 RETREAT** For those aged 16-35 in Summerhill College, Sligo from 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> October. This retreat is donation only. For more information on Youth 2000 see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

**READINGS FOR SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27<sup>th</sup>** 1st reading: Num 11:25-29.; 2nd reading: Jas 5:1-6; Gospel: Mk 9:38-43.

**BAPTISMS** We welcome into God's family MATTHEW NOONEY who was recently baptised in our Cathedral.

**BINGO - GILLOOLY HALL - TONIGHT, SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> AT 9:00 PM**  
TONIGHT'S JACKPOT €2,650 All welcome.

SLIGO CATHEDRAL PARISH – 2200 FAMILIES  
SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> September **PARISH ENV: €1,950 PL/STAND. ORD: €1,324**  
THANK YOU for your contribution.  
**ST MARY'S PRESBYTERY ☎ 071 9162670 SACRISTY ☎ 071 9161261**  
☎ e-mail: [news@sligocathedral.ie](mailto:news@sligocathedral.ie) We welcome your comments.

**NEXT WEEKEND**

**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2015** Will be held in Knock on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> September, beginning both mornings at 10am. This weekend caters for all with events including a dedicated Children's Programme; a Youth Programme and with a variety of Workshops. Full details available in leaflets at the Cathedral entrance and online @ [www.nec2015.ie](http://www.nec2015.ie)  
**51<sup>st</sup> INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2016** Takes place in Cebu, Philippines next January. Bishop Kevin Doran will be leading the Irish Pilgrimage. Travel dates 21<sup>st</sup> January – 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 inclusive. Contact Joe Walsh Tours on 01 241 0800.  
**JOIN THOSE FROM ACROSS ELPHIN** On the *Diocesan Walking Pilgrimage to Knock* on Saturday Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments provided. See [www.elphindiocese.ie/walk-to-knock](http://www.elphindiocese.ie/walk-to-knock) for details. All welcome.



**Gala Concert of Music and Song**

in aid of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception featuring Army Band of 2nd Brigade, Athlone along with Edel Shannon & the Sligo Cathedral Choir in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on **Friday October 16<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m.**  
Tickets: Adults €15 Children €5 available at Liber Bookshop and the Parish Office.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL** The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at St Mary's Presbytery, Temple Street. Parishioners are invited to submit items of concern for discussion to St. Mary's Presbytery, Temple St., Sligo.

**CATHEDRAL NW HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING** - A sincere thank you to all those who organised and supported the coffee morning in aid of North West Hospice in the Cathedral on Thursday last. Thank you to Carmel Cryan and the organising team for making the event possible. The total amount collected was €422.00. Well done!

**A.S.I.S.T. (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training)** 2 Day Training workshop will take place on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September for members of the public and for professionals, particularly those whose work brings them in contact with people who may be at risk of suicide. Ph: Belinda Taylor on 071 9135061.

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR**  
A SERIES OF WEEKLY TALKS IN GILLOOLY HALL, SLIGO  
CONTINUES EVERY FRIDAY UNTIL OCTOBER 30<sup>th</sup> 2015  
PLEASE SEE CATHEDRAL NOTICEBOARD FOR FULL SCHEDULE

**YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE - Words from Pope Francis**  
Contemplation opens us to our prophetic capacity. The prophet is one "who has piercing eyes and listens and speaks the words of God, aware of three aspects of time: the promise from the past, the present being contemplated, and the courage to point the way into the future".

**Dates to remember**

**7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NOVENA OF HOPE** in honour of St. Therese of Lisieux takes place from Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October in St. Therese's Church, Ballintogher, Co. Sligo. Mass with guest speakers daily at 7.30 p.m..  
**DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY (DTS)** A new youth group for teenagers (12-18 yrs) every Wednesday at 7:30pm in St Bernadette's Chapel, Rockwood Parade. A wonderful opportunity for young people to deepen their knowledge and understanding of our Catholic faith in a fun and dynamic way. Please call Aisling on 086 150 0287 or Aoife on 087 760 8966.  
**20<sup>th</sup> BAROQUE MUSIC FESTIVAL** takes place at the Model Gallery, The Mall Sligo from 25<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> September.  
**HEART SUPPORT GROUP:** A meeting of the Heart Support Group will be held in the Park Hotel on Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m..  
Topic: Practical nutrition & lifestyle tips for your heart.  
**SLIGO ACTIVE RETIREMENT** group are celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Mass in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on 20<sup>th</sup> October at 12 p.m., followed by a meal and entertainment in the Glasshouse Hotel at 2 p.m.

**A PUBLIC LECTURE** on the Life and Legacy of **FR. EDWARD J. FLANAGAN**, Sligo in association with St. Angela's College, Sligo by Mr. Thomas Lynch, Director of Community Programmes, Boys Town, Omaha, USA will be held on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015 from 7.30 - 8.30 p.m. in the College of the Immaculate Conception, Summerhill, Sligo. Light refreshments will be served afterwards. Booking by email to [tomlinson.p@hotmail.com](mailto:tomlinson.p@hotmail.com)

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL** urgently require new members in the Sligo area. This Christian voluntary organisation strives to help eliminate poverty and social exclusion believing that everyone should have the means to live life with dignity. Contact SVP, Ozanam House, John St, Sligo. Tel: 071 9160713 e-mail [sligoarea@gmail.com](mailto:sligoarea@gmail.com)

**SUMMERHILL COLLEGE CLASSES OF '75 and '85 REUNION** Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting @ 5pm in Summerhill College for a tour of the new school. Mass will be celebrated in the College Prayer Room at 6:30pm with a celebration dinner at 8pm in the Glasshouse Hotel 'til late. To book for the dinner a deposit of €30 is required by September 7<sup>th</sup>. Contact Tommy Mc Manus 086 079 3791 [mcmanuspt@gmail.com](mailto:mcmanuspt@gmail.com)

**Anniversary & Remembrances**

| DAY        | 8.00 A.M.                          | 10.30 A.M.  |
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| MON 21st   | ELLEN MARY MORAN                   | --  |
| TUES 22nd  | --                                 | BILLY & BETTY CAWLEY                                |
| WEDS 23rd  | EDDIE O' REILLY                    | P.J. CASSIDY  |
| THURS 24th | JOSEPH & EMILY MC MANUS            | NEIL & MARY HERRON                                  |
| FRI 25th   | MICHAEL MORAN                      | <b>First Anniversary</b><br>OWEN JOSEPH SKEFFINGTON |
| SAT 26th   | JOHN MC GARRIGLE & CATHERINE HEALY | --  |

**REST IN PEACE:** Your prayers are asked for the repose of the souls of: NANCY KELLY, St Patricks Terrace, RODERICK MCGAHON, Corwillick, Calry and Dundalk. *May God grant them eternal rest and comfort and console their bereaved families and friends.*