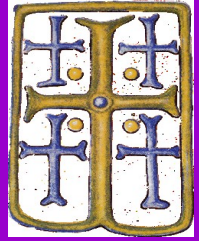


CATHEDRAL OF THE  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO  
**NEWSLETTER**



**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

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WORLD DAY OF PEACE: 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY**

The Feast of the Holy Family: We are reminded today that a holy family will be a happy one because everything is based on God's will of love ... a love that shows itself in patience, forgiveness and sincere gratitude. The spirit of such a family will be the Spirit of God who brings peace.

**MASS TIMES FOR WEEK AHEAD**

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 10.30pm  
Special New Year's Eve Mass at 11.30pm

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January: Mass for Peace at 11.00am. (only Mass this day.)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January: 10.30am Mass

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January: 10.30am & 7.00pm First Friday Mass

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Masses – 10.30am & Vigil at 7.30pm for Holy Day

Confessions 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January - FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Masses – 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.00noon and 7.00pm

Weekday Masses from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January: 8.00am & 10.30am

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019 FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY**

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Epiphany - a **Holy Day of Obligation**.

As we enter a New Year may Christians everywhere celebrate their faith with joy and renewed hope.

**MASS TIMES for SUNDAY, 6<sup>th</sup> January Vigil on Saturday at 7.30pm**

**Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am, 12noon & 7.30pm**

God's plan for the world, the mysterious purpose of existence, is unveiled by the coming of Christ. God wants it to be known, and it will be known, by all who follow the light of the faith leading them to Christ.

***Father, you revealed your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star  
lead us to your glory in heaven by the light of faith. Amen.***

**BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL**

Will reopen after 12noon Mass on Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

**CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS**

Parish office will reopen on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 at 9.30am.

**Dear Parishioners**, if you would like to sponsor our newsletter, personally or as a remembrance or thanksgiving, the fee is **€50**. Please contact the parish office.

## TODAY - Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December

### THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

8.30am Mass

10.30am Mass: (Children's Liturgy included.)

12noon Mass

7pm Mass: Tea after Mass in Upper Room

BINGO in the GILLOOLY HALL, will resume on SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> January at 9.00pm.

## New Year's Eve Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December

Today's Feast Day: St. Sylvester

10.30am Mass: Mai & Charlie Mulligan (Anniversary)

7.30pm: Choir Practice (New members please contact Parish office.)

10.30pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Cathedral

11.30pm Vigil Mass (for New Year's Day): Celebrated by Bishop Doran

**Rosary** every weekday morning at 10.00am.

## New Year's Day Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019

Today's Feast Day: Mary, The Holy Mother of God & World Day of Peace

11.00am Mass for Peace: Celebrated by Bishop Doran

8.30pm-10.00pm: Prayer Group in St. Michael's Family Life Centre

### Adoration Chapel

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is now online from Sligo Cathedral website.

It can be watched on [www.sligocathedral.ie](http://www.sligocathedral.ie) by clicking on the red "watch us live" button on the homepage and then clicking on the "Adoration" button.

## Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January

Today's Feast Day: St. Basil & St. Gregory

9.30am: Parish office reopens

10.30am Mass: Kathleen Queenan (Anniversary)

Tea after 10.30am Mass

8.00pm: Prayer Meeting in Gillooly Hall.

**Adoration** in St. Bernadette's Chapel, Rockwood Parade, Monday to Saturday from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

## Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

**Today's Feast Day: The Holy Name of Jesus & St. Munchin (Mainchin)**

**10.30am Mass: Kathleen Buckley (Anniversary)**

**6.30pm–8.00pm:** I Thirst Movement in St. Bernadette's Chapel, Rockwood Parade.

**8.00pm:** Legion of Mary Meeting in Assumpta House, 72 John St.

## First Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January

**10.30am Mass: Mary Jane Healy (Anniversary) Confessions before Mass.**

**3.00pm-4.00pm: Divine Mercy Holy Hour** in Nazareth Nursing Home Oratory.

**7.00pm Mass: Confessions before Mass.**

## Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January

**Today's Feast Day: St. Charles of St. Andrew**

**10.30am Mass: (Month's Mind)**

**2.00pm to 4.00pm: Confessions**

**7.30pm Vigil Mass: Gerald Butler (Month's Mind)**

**This week's newsletter  
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remembrance of  
Kathleen Queenan R.I.P**

## Sunday Readings for 6<sup>th</sup> January

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Is. 60:1-6; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Eph. 3:2-3. 5-6; Gospel: Matt. 2:1-12.

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## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection details for Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December & Christmas Day  
will be in next weekend's newsletter.

THANK YOU for your support of our Parish and Cathedral.

## From the Cluster

**PARISH OFFICE at St. Mary's Presbytery** ☎ 071 9162670 The parish office will reopen on Wednesday 2nd January 2019 from 9.30 to 4pm.

**ST BERNADETTE'S CHAPEL**, Rockwood Parade. Mass will be celebrated on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> January at 5.15pm. All welcome.

**RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP BOXES & 2019 CALENDARS** We thank most sincerely our dedicated Area Representatives who have distributed the Responsible Stewardship Envelopes and Calendars for 2019. Please let us know if you have not receive yours and we apologise for the oversight. We take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to all who have joined our parish community during 2018 and invite you to contact the Parish Office on 9162670 or email [finance@sligocathedral.ie](mailto:finance@sligocathedral.ie) to join in support, in whatever way you can, of our Cathedral. We would also like to express, once again, our deep gratitude to all who contribute to the upkeep of the parish.

### **A CALENDAR PRAYER FOR 2019**

*Loving and caring God, in my calendar you document my past, herald my future and focus my now. You remind me of duties, you keep me in touch with friends, and teach me the value of time. I ask your blessing on all my promises and on all my remembering. Bless all that I arrange, all that I do, all that I encounter in this New Year. Amen.*

## From the Diocese

### **CAMINO DE SANTIAGO PILGRIMAGE FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35)**

**JUNE 2019** Dates: 23<sup>rd</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019, Age Group: 18 – 35, Cost €650.

Package includes flights, 7 nights' B&B, 20kg Check-in luggage plus hand luggage, transfers and insurance. For more information please contact Frank: 087 9880690 or [frank.mcquinness@elphindiocese.ie](mailto:frank.mcquinness@elphindiocese.ie)

### **PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE**

The Diocese of Elphin is planning to run a Parish Youth Ministry Leadership Training Course in order to offer parishes the opportunity to have trained parish volunteers who will be in a position to support their priest and parish with youth and young adult ministry. For further information please contact: Frank McGuinness, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, t: 087 9880690, e: [frank.mcquinness@elphindiocese.ie](mailto:frank.mcquinness@elphindiocese.ie)

**LIVING FAMILY** will host a retreat day for all families on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2019 in Summerhill College from 10am-5pm. Bishop Kevin will celebrate Mass on the day. To book please email [info@livingfamily.ie](mailto:info@livingfamily.ie).

## Local news

**BINGO** in the Gillooly Hall on Sundays from 9pm. Refreshments available. All welcome.

**FAMILY CIRCLE** Cards are in circulation.