

FROM THE DIOCESE

Bishop Kevin's Message for Lent – *With Joyful Hope and Generous Hearts*

"Perhaps, this year, the invitation to live Lent is an invitation to take up with a generous spirit the cross that we have been asked to carry. The cross comes in so many different shapes and sizes. That could be the challenge of minding the kids, while working from home. It could be the fact that you can't travel, that you can't go to the cinema or to the pub. It could be the separation from family and friends. Carrying the Cross with Christ, is not just about endurance, it is about sharing his attitude as we do it". Read the message in full at

www.elphindiocese.ie

Springtime: A Prayer Guide for the Season of Lent

The restrictions in place because of Covid-19 mean that as a Christian Community we cannot gather for our usual religious services. This situation challenges us to find new ways of reflecting on our faith and praying in our homes as the *"Domestic Church"*. It is hoped that this guide, prepared by the Diocese of Clonfert and the Diocese of Elphin, will assist you in doing just that. When we gather again in Church, let us not forget to enrich our spiritual lives by continuing to pray at home. Download the Lenten Prayer Guide at www.elphindiocese.ie

Virtual Holy Hour

Elphin Youth Ministry with Elphin NET Team will host a Holy Hour every Tuesday evening which will be broadcast on Facebook live and Instagram. It can be accessed via any of the links below. Music, Prayer, Reflection, Healing and Blessing. Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/elphindiocese/live> Instagram: [Instagram.com/elphinnetteam](https://www.instagram.com/elphinnetteam)

The Diocese of Elphin, Trócaire & Galilee Spirituality Centre

Online conversation focussing on *Caring For Our Common Home*, 7.30 - 8.30 pm, Tuesday 23rd Feb. See www.elphindiocese.ie/conversations/ for details. All welcome.

Weaving the Tapestry of Death and New Life

Lenten and Easter Scripture Based Opportunity. Details available at www.elphindiocese.ie/lent-easter. All welcome.

Lenten Reflection Podcasts

For Busy People. See Fr. Niall Ahern's reflections at www.elphindiocese.ie/reflections

Lenten Way of Gentleness

Mondays 8 - 9pm at www.churchservices.tv/strandhill. All welcome.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm by calling **0818 222 024**.

CANA At Home

Free on-line couple retreat hosted by CANA Ireland via our YouTube Channel *CANA Journey*. CANA Ireland has been serving couples and marriage in Ireland since 2012. This retreat will happen fortnightly from 29th January for 6 Broadcasts. www.canaireland.org



CATHEDRAL OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO

NEWSLETTER

Sunday 21st February 2021
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Elphin
Diocesan
Year of
Prayer for
Vocations

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CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

Mass can be viewed live online through our website
www.sligocathedral.ie/live-feed-from-cathedral/
Monday-Sunday at 10.30am & 7.00pm

Online Adoration (After Mass in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Monday-Sunday at 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Please take both the newsletter and missalette home. Thank you.

TODAY - The First Sunday of Lent, 21st February

Christ was tempted by the Devil in today's Gospel (*Mark 1:12-15*).

The Devil failed in all his attempts on Christ to make Him sin against God. In our day to day life, we are also tempted in different ways to sin against God. Let us call on God to assist us with His grace to overcome temptations.

1st Week of Lent, Monday 22nd February

THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER, APOSTLE

10.30am Mass: Arthur Harrison (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Edward Lyons (First Anniversary)

1st Week of Lent, Tuesday 23rd February

10.30am Mass:

7.00pm Mass:

1st Week of Lent, Wednesday 24th February

10.30am Mass: John O'Dowd (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass:

1st Week of Lent, Thursday 25th February

1ST WEEK OF LENT

10.30am Mass: Eileen Coen (Recently Deceased)

7.00pm Mass: Krzysztof Klodnicki (Month's Mind)

1st Week of Lent, Friday 26th February

10.30am Mass: Mai & Michael Flynn and (Baby) Michael Flynn (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Bridie & Michael Crawley and Betty Callaghan (Anniversary)

1st Week of Lent, Saturday 27th February

10.30am Mass: Sharon Carlton (Month's Mind)

7.00pm Mass: Rosaleen Smith (Month's Mind)

This week's Newsletter
is not sponsored.

Sunday Readings for 28th February

1st Reading: Gen 22:1-2; **2nd Reading:** Psalms 115:10; **Gospel:** Rm 8:31-34.

REST IN PEACE

Your prayers are kindly asked for the repose of the souls of:

PEGGY MURRICANE & FRANCES COONEY

MAY GOD GRANT THEIR ETERNAL REST IN HIS HEAVENLY KINGDOM AND COMFORT AND CONSOLE
THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS.

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday: 9.30am-4pm & **Friday:** 9.30am-2pm

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Restoration Fund website: www.saveaslate.com

Join us online with live WEB STREAMING on our website: www.sligocathedral.ie

If you would like to donate to the Cathedral Parish during this difficult time please make cheques payable to the following A.I.B. bank account:

Elphin Diocese Cathedral No.1 Parish account.

THANK YOU for your support of our Parish and Cathedral.