

FROM THE PARISH

First Friday Calls: If anyone would like to receive a house call on the First Friday of each month, please kindly contact the Parish Office on **071 91 62670**.

Altar Society: If you wish to donation a poinsettia flower in memory of a loved one that cannot be with us this Christmas please leave them on the steps of the Altar, or if you would like to make a donation towards the cost of poinsettia flowers to decorate the Cathedral for Christmas please drop your donation in an envelope into the collection box or

Christmas Carol Service: Takes place on **Sunday 19th at 8.15 pm** in the Cathedral.

Art & Craft Fair: Please support the local Art & Craft Fair & Café in the Gillooly Hall which will be open **Sat. 19th 12–7 pm**. Also our Parish Shop is now open in the Gillooly Hall from **11–4pm on Saturdays** proceeds of which go directly to the Parish.

Keep Fit Classes: Beginners Keep Fit Classes take place in the Gillooly Hall on **Monday evenings at 6.30pm**.

Envelopes: All Parishioners should now have their envelopes for the new year 2022. If you have not yet received yours please call the Parish Office on **(071) 9162670**

FROM THE DIOCESE

Digital Advent Calendar: Now in its eighth year, the popular interactive Advent calendar is available on www.catholicbishops.ie This year's calendar theme focuses on the theme of 'Hope'. Each day during Advent a virtual door can be opened on the calendar containing faith content, including an audio/video reflection.

Short Advent Reflections by Fr. Niall Ahern available to podcast and to listen @ www.elphindiocese.ie/advent-reflections offer a gentle way of entering the forthcoming Advent season. All welcome to use.

Opening Ourselves to God's Graciousness - A Reflective Advent Journey with Fr. Michael Drennan SJ, **Tuesday 14th Dec., 8 - 9 pm**. For more info. & Zoom link see www.elphindiocese.ie/seminars All welcome

Maynooth College Carol Service - Online On **Wednesday 15th December at 7.30pm**, 3 Maynooth College and University choirs will gather in the historic College Chapel of Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth, for the annual Christmas carol service: the College Chapel Choir, directed by Dr John O'Keeffe; the Schola Gregoriana, led by Dr Darina McCarthy; and Maynooth University Chamber Choir, under the direction of Dr Michael Dawson. The online link for the carol service can be found on the College website: www.maynoothcollege.ie

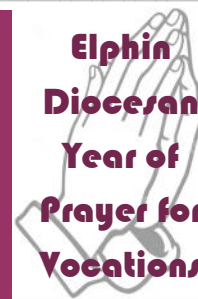
Carols by Candlelight – Knock Basilica We are delighted to bring you our 'Carols By Candlelight' performance from Knock Basilica, taking place on Sunday 19th December at 8pm. Featuring the Schola Cantorum Basilicae, the Knock Basilica Choir, together with the ConTempo String Quartet and Organist Mark Keane. The carol service will be streamed live on our website www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live There is no need to book, attendance will be on a first-come, first-served basis with ushers present to assist.



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NEWSLETTER
Sunday 12th December 2021

Third Sunday of Advent



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

Monday-Saturday at **10.30am & 7pm**
Saturday (Vigil Mass) at **7pm**
Sunday at **8.30am, 10.30am, 12.00 Noon & 7pm**

CONFESSIONS

EVERY SATURDAY FROM **2PM-4PM**

Tap and Go System now operational in the Car Park & also at the back of the Cathedral

Please take both the newsletter and missalette home. Thank you

TODAY - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
12th December

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near,”

St. Paul’s letter to the Philippians states The Saint encourages us to continue to be focused on God Who alone is capable of giving true joy to us.

3rd Week of Advent, Monday 13th December

St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr (Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Mary Gillen, Martin & Mai Gillen (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: George Gethins (Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent Tuesday 14th December

St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Mai, John & Michael Howley & Deceased Howley, Boland & Hallinan Families (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Patrick Fallon (Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent, Wednesday 15th December

10.30am Mass: Patrick Kennedy (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Gerry & Kitty Keaney (Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent, Thursday 16th December

10.30am Mass: Sean Boyle & Deceased Boyle Family Members (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: John Hynes (Third Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent, Friday 17th December

10.30am Mass: Mary & Michael Durkin & Deceased Durkin Family Members (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Deceased Members of the Feeney Family (Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent, Saturday 18th December

St Flannan, Bishop (Feast)

10.30am Mass:

This week’s Newsletter is not sponsored

7.00pm Mass:

Sunday Readings for 19th December

1st Reading: Mic 5:1-4 . 2nd Reading: Heb 10:5-10. Gospel: Lk 1:39-44

REST IN PEACE

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

Cathal Harrison

MAY GOD GRANT HIM 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

Phone: 071 9162670

If you would like to donate to the Cathedral Parish 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.