

FROM THE PARISH

Keep Fit Classes: Keep Fit Classes are now taking place on **Wednesday's from 6.15pm-7.15pm** in the Gillooly Hall, all are welcome. Exercise does help to keep the mind positive and the body active.

St. John's Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul: The annual collection will take place outside the Cathedral on December 11th.

North West Hospice will hold its first Light-up-a-Life event on Sunday December 11th at 6.30pm in the Hospice Garden of Memories at Cleveragh Park, Sligo. The lights on the Hospice Memory Tree will be switched on at the Light-up-a-Life event and music will be provided by Kieran Quinn and Aileen Concannon. This event will give people the chance to pause, reflect and remember their loved ones and celebrate their lives. Visit northwesthospice.ie for more information or call 071 9170523. All welcome.

Parish Shop: The Parish Shop in the Gillooly Hall will be open on Saturdays **from 11am to 2pm and after 10.30am and 12 Noon Sunday Masses.**

Sunday Collection: **Income 27th November—€3,245** **Restoration Fund—€**
 Parish Expenditure— €2,659.52

Thank you for your on going contributions, we deeply appreciate your continued Financial support. Tap & Go System in the car park and also at the back of the Cathedral for donations.

FROM THE DIOCESE

World Youth Day Pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal 31 July - 8 August 2023. The pilgrimage is open to **18 -35 year olds**. The cost is €850 per person sharing and this includes flights, coach transfers, WYD registration, city centre hotel accommodation for six nights plus two nights in Fatima. Please support young adults from your parish to be part of this once in a lifetime experience with millions of young Catholics from across the world. All the details and how to register are available at <https://www.elphindiocese.ie/wyd2023>. Please contact youth@elphindiocese.ie if you have any queries.

Digital Advent Calendar. Now in its ninth year, the website of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference will host its interactive digital Advent Calendar to mark the beginning of the Church's new year, the First Sunday of Advent. To mark this special season, this year's Advent calendar will offer resources for school, parish and home and will be accessible behind a virtual door that, as per tradition, can only be opened on each day of Advent. Content available behind these virtual doors will include a short video message, seasonal crafts for children and prayers to assist us in keeping Christ at the centre of our Christmas preparations. The calendar is available at www.catholicbishops.ie

Accord. Accord are currently taking bookings for Pre-Marriage courses. Please contact the Sligo Accord Centre at 071 9145641 or www.accord.ie The Pre-Marriage course should be booked at least 6-8 months before the wedding. Also, Marriage counselling services are available by contacting the Accord telephone number.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

Monday—Thursday 8.00am & 10.30am

Friday & Saturday 10.30am & 7.00pm

Saturday Vigil Mass at 7pm

Sunday at 8.30am, 10.30am, 12 Noon & 7pm

CONFESSIONS Saturday 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 - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

St John the Baptist said of Jesus (Matthew 3:1-12),
“... He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and Fire ...”
The Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Trinity and
“Fire” depicts His Presence.

In Baptism, He fills us with the Love of God and
purifies our souls spiritually, paving the way for the
Trinity to reside there.

2nd Week of Advent, Monday 5th December

8.00am Mass: Martin Sweeney (Anniversary)

10.30am Mass: Joey Murphy & deceased Murphy family (Anniversary)

2nd Week of Advent, Tuesday 6th December

St. Nicholas, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

8.00am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Joe & Jack Mahon & deceased family members
(Anniversary)

2nd Week of Advent, Wednesday 7th December

St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

8.00am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Albert, Patrick & Margaret Gorman (Anniversary)

2nd Week of Advent, Thursday 8th December

**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)
Holyday of Obligation in Ireland**

8.00am Mass

10.30am Mass

7.00pm Mass

2nd Week of Advent, Friday 9th December

St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin (Optional Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Anna & Gerry Marshall (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Deceased Dunphy & Fowley families (Anniversary)

2nd Week of Advent, Saturday 10th December

Blessed Virgin Mary of Loreto (Optional Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Special Intention

7.00pm Mass

This week's Newsletter is
sponsored in Memory of the
Devaney Family

Sunday Readings for 11th December

1st Reading: Is 35:1-6, 10. 2nd Reading: Jas 5:7-10.
Gospel: Mt 11:2-11.

REST IN PEACE

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

Martin Cawley & Teresa Rock.

MAY GOD GRANT THEM 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 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.