

FROM THE PARISH

Keep Fit Classes: Keep Fit Classes 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.

Maria et Patria Project: A group of 22 members of the Legion of Mary, including two priests, from all over Ireland, will visit our parish on Monday and Tuesday, 29th and 30th May next. The primary purpose of their visit is to make contact with parishioners in their homes to speak about and promote our Catholic faith, to seek out the lost sheep and particularly those who are ill or housebound and would like to speak with a priest. They will visit homes each morning, afternoon and evening. In addition, they will hold a public discussion in the Gillooly Hall on both evenings between 8.30pm and 10.00pm on some specific aspects of our faith to which everyone is cordially invited. Please pray to Our Lady, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, for the success of this project.

Parish Shop: The Parish Shop in the Gillooly Hall will be open every Saturday **from 11am to 2pm and after 10.30am and 12 Noon Sunday Masses. The shop will also open every Tuesday & Thursday from 11am-1pm starting in June.**

Sunday Collection: **Income 14th May — €3,679 Restoration Fund—€213
Parish Expenditure— €3,530.93**

Thank you for your ongoing 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.

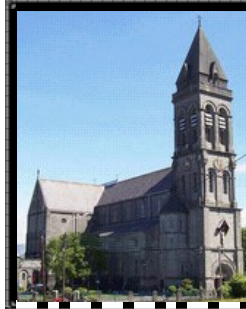
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Novena for Life: The *Pray for Life* Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Tuesday 23rd May to the Feast of the Visitation on Wednesday 31st May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit www.prayforlife.ie for the daily novena prayers which will also be posted on facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena and @ChooseLifeIRL on Twitter. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. You can also read the Bishops' recent statement about the review of the Health Act 2018 (*Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy*) on www.elphindiocese.ie

Ordination to the Priesthood: On Pentecost Sunday, Bishop Kevin will ordain Deacon Christopher Garrett to the priesthood for our diocese. All are welcome to the Ordination Mass on Sunday 28th May at 3pm in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Sligo. Please remember Deacon Chris in your prayers as he prepares for ordination.

Ordination Anniversary Mass Invitation: The Parish Pastoral Council of Strandhill welcomes all to the celebration of Mass at 12noon on Sunday 4th June in St Patrick's Church, Strandhill to mark the 50th Anniversary of Fr Niall Ahern's ordination to priesthood.

Elphin Diocese's 3 Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg will run from Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th June. More details available at www.elphindiocese.ie/lough-derg or contact Justin on 087 6171526



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER

**Sunday 21st May 2023
The Ascension of the Lord**



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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

No Confessions Saturday 27th May due to First Holy Communion

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 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Christ ascends and goes to Heaven. This gives us a great insight into the After-life. It further tells us that our human life does not end here on Earth.

Our focus as we live day by day is to look beyond our earthly trials, sufferings and challenges. One day, all this will end. On our part we continue to walk with Christ.

7th Week of Easter, Monday 22nd May

St. Rita of Cascia, Religious (Optional Memorial)

8.00am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Pdraig & Lucy Connolly & Deceased family Members (Anniversary)

7th Week of Easter, Tuesday 23rd May

8.00am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Special Intention

This week's Newsletter is sponsored in Loving Memory of Bill Curley

7th Week of Easter, Wednesday 24th May

World Day of Prayer for the Church in China

8.00am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Michael Muldoon (Anniversary)

7th Week of Easter, Thursday 25th May

St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church (Optional Memorial)
St. Gregory VII, pope (Optional Memorial)
St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, virgin (Optional Memorial)

8.00am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Molly & Jack Leavey (Anniversary)

7th Week of Easter, Friday 26th May

St. Philip Neri, Priest (Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Breege Preston (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Desmond Monaghan (First Anniversary)

7th Week of Easter, Saturday 27th May

St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

10.30am Mass Tony Kelly (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass

Sunday Readings for 28th May

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11. 2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13.
Gospel: Jn 20:19-23.

REST IN PEACE

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

Fr Anthony Morris O.P., Sharon Smith

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-5pm & Friday: 9:30am-4pm 071 9162670
email: info@sligocathedral.ie

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Elphin Diocese Cathedral No.1 Parish account.

THANK YOU for your support of our Parish and Cathedral.