

## FROM THE PARISH

**St. Vincent de Paul:** We are holding our Annual Church Gate Collection the weekend of the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> December and we are again seeking your support to help us in our work. You can pop a donation into the blue envelope in the porch, drop into Ozanam house or donate online. Every bit helps.

**Adoration:** Can you please return your completed cards for adoration in the box provided at the back of the Cathedral.

**Parish Office:** All Anniversary Masses are to be booked through the parish office Monday—Friday 9am to 5pm **071 9162670**.

Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> December clean up evening in the Cathedral in preparation for Christmas after the 7pm Mass.

**Christmas Carol Service** will take place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 8.15pm in our Cathedral.

**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 9162670**.

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

**Sunday Collection:** **Income 26<sup>th</sup> November –€3,970 Restoration Fund –€805  
Parish Expenditure - €4,139**

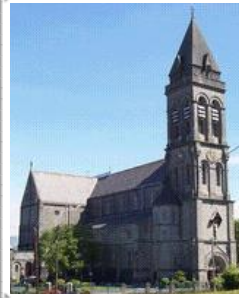
Thank you for your on going contributions, we deeply appreciate your continued Financial support. Tap & Go System in the car park and also at the back of the Cathedral for donations.

## FROM THE DIOCESE

**The Way of Gentleness – Strandhill:** A personal enrichment journey for Advent. Saint Patrick's Church, Strandhill. Mondays 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm. All are welcome.

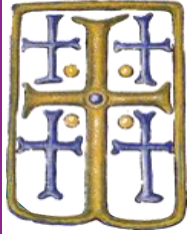
**Advent Lectures - Holy Cross Friary, Sligo:** *Advent Lectures 2023* in the Friary Hall, Dominick Street, Sligo on Tuesdays and Thursdays of Advent at 7.30pm. Theme *"Behold I am coming soon"* – *Jesus and Mary and how Bethlehem changed the world*. Tuesdays "The Narrative in Art" with Fr Michael Dunleavy OP and Thursdays "The Biblical Narrative" with Fr Terence Crotty OP.

**Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat:** This youth retreat will take place at Dominican College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare between 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> December 2023. This promises to be a special retreat! Great CRAIC!, Excellent Speakers, Inspiring Talks & Workshops, fantastic music, Group activities, Youth Masses, Adoration, Reconciliation, prayer, Drama, Games & plenty of time to chill out, meet new people and find out what it means to be young & Catholic today! Booking is now open at [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)



## CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023**



## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



## CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

Monday—Thursday 8am & 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 - First Sunday of Advent

Today is the First Sunday of Advent and the colour used is Purple/Violet for Liturgy (Mass). Advent is a time when the Church waits for the coming of Jesus Christ.

This Season begins the Church's Year.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church  
(Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Nancy O'Brien (Anniversary)

This week's  
Newsletter is not  
sponsored

### 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

8am Mass: Special Intention

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

### 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

St. Nicholas, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Michael & Mary Durcan & deceased family members  
(Anniversary)

### 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December

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

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Sean Boyle & deceased family members (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass

### 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

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

10.30am Mass

7.00pm Mass

### 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent, Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December

St. Juan Diego Cuahatlatoatzin (Optional Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Francis Gordon (Month's Mind)

7.00pm Mass: Carmel O'Brien (Month's Mind)

### Sunday Readings for 10<sup>th</sup> December

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Is 40:1-5, 9-11. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Pt 3:8-14.  
Gospel: Mk 1:1-8.

### REST IN PEACE

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

**Mary Meehan**

MAY GOD GRANT HER ETERNAL REST IN HIS HEAVENLY KINGDOM, AND COMFORT AND  
CONSOLE HER FRIENDS.

### Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday: 9:30am-5pm & Friday: 9:30am-4pm 071 9162670

Email: [info@sligocathedral.ie](mailto:info@sligocathedral.ie)

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.