

FROM THE PARISH

Cathedral Carol Service All are welcome to the Carol Service at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, this Sunday 17th December at 8.00pm.

Cathedral Crib: A big thank you to the Men's Shed for all their hard work in building our amazing Crib. The Crib is now located behind the Sanctuary.

Altar Society: If you wish to donate 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 basket stating Altar Society.

Parish Office: The Parish Office will be closed from **December 20th** until **January 2nd**. From all in St. Mary's and the Cathedral we wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Thank you all so much for your continued support.

Adoration Chapel: The Adoration Chapel will be closing on **Friday December 22nd after 10.30am Mass** and re-opening on **Tuesday January 2nd after 10.30 am Mass**.

Exodus 90 Program 2024, inviting all men interested in joining a spiritual journey of prayer, asceticism and brotherhood, commencing Monday January 8, 7-8pm in the Holy Cross Friary. Please contact Fionán 0858733422 or Gary 0830805975 for more information.

Parish Shop: We now have Christmas stock available in the Parish Shop which is located in the Gillooly Hall and it is open on Saturdays **from 11am to 2pm and after 10.30am and 12**

Noon Sunday Masses

Sunday Collection: Income 8th & 10th December –€5,713 Social Services €230
Parish Expenditure - €5,655

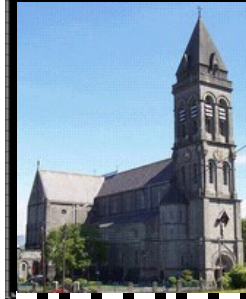
Thank you for your on going contributions, we deeply appreciate your continued Financial support. Tap & Go System in the car park and also at the back of the Cathedral for donations.

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The Way of Gentleness – Strandhill A personal enrichment journey for Advent. Saint Patrick's Church, Strandhill. Monday 18th December at 8pm. All are welcome.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Reconciliation Service for the Sligo Cluster of Parishes for Christmas will be held in the Friary on Wednesday 20th December at 7.30pm. Short Reflection by a member of the Community. Music by Colette Furlong, Cluster Catechist. Individual Confession available. Please come along in preparation for the birth of Jesus.

Holy Well – Christmas Mass Bouquets Christmas Mass Bouquets of the Holy Well with snow covered scenes are available from St. John's Presbytery, Carraroe, Co. Sligo. Proceeds in aid of the Holy Well.



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER

Sunday 17th December 2023



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION *CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME 2023-2024*

Sunday 17th December 8pm—Carol
Service

Saturday 30th December Mass 10.30am
& 7pm

Saturday 23rd December Mass
10.30am & 7pm

Sunday 31st December Mass 8.30am,
10.30am, 12 Noon & 7pm

Sunday 24th December Mass 8.30am,
10.30am & 12 Noon

Sunday 31st December New Years Eve
Exposition 10.30pm Mass 11.30pm

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass 10pm

Monday 1st –Thursday 4th January
Mass 10.30am

Christmas Day 25th Mass 8.30am,
10.30am & 12 Noon

Friday 5th January Mass 10.30am &
7pm

Tuesday 26th—Friday 29th

Mass 10.30am

Saturday 6th January Mass 10.30am &
7pm

Confessions

Monday 18th –Friday 22nd December 11am -12 Noon

**Wednesday 20th December Reconciliation Service in The Friary at
7.30pm**

Saturday 23rd December 2pm-5pm

TODAY - Third Sunday of Advent

In the First Reading from Isaiah (61:1-2, 10-11), the Prophet reveals the blessings brought about by God's Good News: to heal wounds, to free captives, to uplift the poor and to proclaim God's Presence on Earth.

3rd Week of Advent, Monday 18th December

St. Flannan, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Paddy Slevin (Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent, Tuesday 19th December

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Imelda Gilmartin (Anniversary)

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3rd Week of Advent, Wednesday 20th December

St. Fachanan, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Evelyn Fowley & Pee Fowley (Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent, Thursday 21st December

St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Delia & Michael Mulholland (Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent, Friday 22nd December

10.30am Mass: 10.30am Pdraig & Mary Fowley, Imelda Fowley/Burke & Mary Gallagher (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Maureen Mullen (Anniversary)

3rd Week of Advent, Saturday 23rd December

St. John of Kanty, Priest (Optional Memorial)

10.30am Mass

7.00pm Mass

Sunday Readings for 24th December

1st Reading: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16. 2nd Reading: Rm 16:25-27.
Gospel: Lk 1:26-38.

REST IN PEACE

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

Michael Savage

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

Parish Office Hours

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

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Elphin Diocese Cathedral No.1 Parish account.

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