

## FROM THE PARISH

**St. Patricks Day Concert:** We will be celebrating St. Patricks Day with a concert in the Sligo Cathedral on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 8.00pm. All are welcome to join us.

**The World Day Of Prayer Service 2024** for our area will take place on Friday 1st March 2024 in The Cathedral Of The Immaculate Conception, Sligo at 8PM. ALL ARE MOST WELCOME.

**Pondering & Prayer with St. Mark's Gospel:** Join us as we journey in this Lenten Season with St. Mark's Gospel. How is God speaking to us through this text today? Six Wednesday Mornings in St. Mary's Presbytery from 11.10am –12.25pm beginning on Wednesday 21st February with the final gathering on Wednesday 27th March. To reserve a place please contact St. Mary's Parish Office on 071 9162670.

**Parish Lenten Retreat:** To take place in the Gillooly Hall on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 11.30am - 4.00pm.

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

**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 11<sup>th</sup> February—€4,825**  
**Parish Expenditure - €9,458 (€5,267 ESB & Heating Oil)**

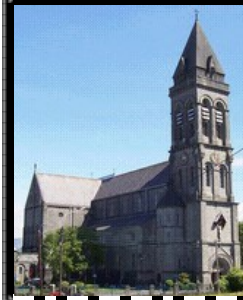
Thank you for your on going contributions, we deeply appreciate your continued Financial support. Tap & Go System in the car park and also at the back of the Cathedral for donations.

## FROM THE DIOCESE

**Bishop Kevin's Pastoral Reflections for Lent:** Bishop Kevin will offer a short Pastoral Message each Wednesday during Lent. They can be read on [www.elphindiocese.ie](http://www.elphindiocese.ie)

**Trócaire Lenten Campaign:** This year, Trócaire's lenten campaign focuses on the country of Malawi, Africa. Malawi is one of the least developed countries in the world and has been badly affected by climate change. In the Machinga district, Malita and her family must make a one-hour trip up to five times a day to collect water. Please support Trócaire in helping communities develop sustainable access to clean, safe and reliable water supplies by taking home a Trócaire box today or going to [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

**The Way of Gentleness:** A faith enrichment journey for Lent in St Patrick's Church, Strandhill at 8pm on Mondays 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> March. Also online at [churchservices.tv/strandhill](http://churchservices.tv/strandhill)



## CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024**



## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



## CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

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 Lent

*In today's Gospel (Mark 1:12-15), the Holy Spirit led Jesus into the wilderness. He was there for 40 days and Satan tempted Him. The Angels of God later looked after Him.*

*This shows us that God never abandons His children even when we experience temptations.*

## 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Lent Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February

8.00am Mass Special Intention

10.30am Arthur Harrison (Anniversary)

## 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Lent, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February

8.00am Mass Special Intention

10.30am Mass Special Intention

## 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Lent, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February

St Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

8.00am Mass Special Intention

10.30am Mass Special Intention

## 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Lent, Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

The Chair of St Peter, Apostle (Feast)

8.00am Mass Special Intention

10.30am Mass Special Intention

## 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Lent, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

St Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

10.30am Mass: Annie Kelly (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Special Intention

## 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Lent, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February

10.30am Mass: Frank Devins (Month's Mind)

7.00pm Mass:

This week's Newsletter is sponsored in memory of Frank Devins

## Sunday Readings for 25th February

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Gn 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Rm 8:31-34.  
Gospel: Mk 9:2-10

## REST IN PEACE

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

**Ann Scott, Kitsy Downs, Aidan Brennan, Frank Walpole & Grainne Edwards.**

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](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.