

## FROM THE PARISH

**Altar Society Appeal:** If you wish to donate Lily flowers in memory of a loved one that cannot be with us this Easter, please leave them on the steps of the Altar, or if you wish to make a donation towards the cost of the flowers to decorate the Cathedral for Easter, please drop your donation in an enveloped marked Altar Society into the collection box or bring it to the Parish Office.

**Parish Office:** The Parish Office will be closing on Good Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March and will re-open on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April. Wishing all our parishioners a happy and peaceful Easter.

**Church Gate Collection:** There will be a church gate collection this weekend for Down Syndrome Sligo. Your support would be very much appreciated.

**The Adoration Chapel:** The Adoration Chapel will cost for Easter from Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March after the 10.30am Mass until Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April after the 10.30am Mass.

**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 17<sup>th</sup> March - €2,981 Restoration Fund €130**  
                                          **Parish Expenditure - €3,479**

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.

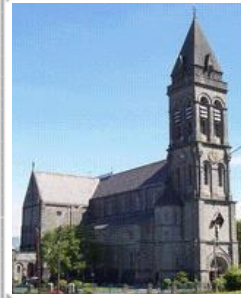
## FROM THE DIOCESE

**Mass of Chrism:** Bishop Kevin invites you to attend the Mass of Chrism on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Sligo. During the Mass, Bishop Kevin will bless and consecrate the oils used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Sick and the priests of the diocese will renew their commitment to their priestly ministry. All are very welcome to attend.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Reconciliation Service for the Sligo Cluster of Parishes for Easter will be held in the Friary on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm. Short Reflection by the Cathedral Parish. Music by Colette Furlong, Cluster Catechist. Individual Confession available. Please take time out of your busy schedule to prepare for the death and Resurrection of Jesus.

**Holy Places Collection:** The Pontifical Good Friday Collection, is the main source of financial aid for the maintenance of life around the Holy Places. The collection with which, for centuries, Christians around the world have been doing their utmost to support their brothers and sisters in the land of Jesus. This year, the war has shut down the local economy and cut off much of the humanitarian relief. As a consequence, the situation for Palestinians and the Christian communities is critical. Your prayers and continued financial support will greatly assist the humanitarian response.

**North West Parkinson's Fundraiser:** The annual "Fun Walk" will take place this Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March commencing at 2.30 pm at JFK Parade. The walk 3 lengths will follow the beautiful walking path to Doorly Park which is wheelchair friendly. This is a social and fundraising event to support the local association with it efforts to promote awareness and assist it members and families. Tea/Coffee Raffle will be provided after walk in Riverside Hotel. All family and friends are welcome to support. Sponsorship cards are available form 087-4198280 or donations can be made at [www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/NorthWestParkinsonsBranch14](http://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/NorthWestParkinsonsBranch14)



## CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024



## PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

### CATHEDRAL PARISH EASTER 2024

#### SPY WEDNESDAY - 27<sup>th</sup> March

Chrism Mass	7.30pm	<i>CONFESSIONS</i>
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#### HOLY THURSDAY - 28<sup>th</sup> March

*Monday 25<sup>th</sup> - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March*

Morning Prayer of the Church	10.30am	11am
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Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm	<i>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March</i>
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Prayer in the Garden	10.00pm	2pm—5 pm
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#### GOOD FRIDAY - 29<sup>th</sup> March

Morning Prayer of the Church	10.30am	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	10.30am Mass
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Celebration of the Lord's Passion	3.00pm	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am Mass
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Stations of the Cross	7.00pm	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am Mass
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<i>HOLY SATURDAY - 30<sup>th</sup> March</i>		Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am Mass
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Morning Prayer of the Church	10.30am	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am & 7pm
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Easter Vigil Mass	9.00pm	Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am & 7pm
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**Summer time starts 31<sup>st</sup> March, clocks go forward 1 hour**

#### EASTER SUNDAY - 31<sup>st</sup> March

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

## TODAY - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday. It marks the triumphant entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem and the people waving Palm branches and singing: "Hosanna in the Highest!"

This Sunday starts the Holy Week of Easter.

### Monday in Holy Week, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March

8am Mass: Tom Porter & Joan Lyons (Anniversary)

10.30am Mass: Jim & Benny Lynch (Anniversary)

11.00am: Confessions

### Tuesday in Holy Week, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Patsy Diamond (Anniversary)

11.00am: Confessions

This week's Newsletter is sponsored in memory of Patsy Diamond.

### Wednesday in Holy Week, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

#### Spy Wednesday

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Teresa & Joseph O'Brien (Anniversary)

11.00am Confessions

7.30pm Mass of Chrism

### Holy Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

10.30am Morning Prayer of the Church

11.00am Confessions

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

10.00pm Prayer in the Garden

### Good Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March

#### Day of Fast and Abstinence

10.30am Morning Prayer of the Church

11.00am Confessions

3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7.00pm Stations of the Cross

### Holy Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March

10.30am Morning Prayer of the Church

9.00pm Vigil Mass

(Summer Time starts - clocks go forward 1 hour)

#### Sunday Readings for 31<sup>st</sup> March

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8;  
Gospel: Jn 20:1-9.

#### 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.