

## FROM THE PARISH

**Parish Office:** The Parish Office will be re-opening on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 9am. Wishing you all a Happy New Year.

**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**.

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

## FROM THE DIOCESE

**What is Jubilee Year 2025?:** The Jubilee has its origins in an ancient biblical tradition (Leviticus). Every 50<sup>th</sup> year was celebrated as a time for setting slaves free, for forgiving debts, and for allowing the land to rest. In our Christian tradition the Jubilee has a strong focus on reconciliation and renewal, including reaching out to people on the margins. It is normally celebrated every 25 years, so that more people can celebrate it at least once in a lifetime. The theme for the Jubilee 2025 is 'Pilgrims of Hope' (*Spes non Confundit - Hope Does Not Disappoint*). This theme of hope encourages each of us to be messengers of hope in our very troubled world. More information about the Jubilee Year in our two dioceses will be available in the New Year.

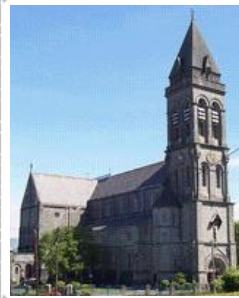
**Events at Our Lady Star of the Sea Retreat Centre, Mullaghmore:** The following are some of the upcoming events at Our Lady Star of the Sea Retreat Centre, Mullaghmore, Co. Sligo. For more info and booking details, please see [www.staroftheseacentre.com/events](http://www.staroftheseacentre.com/events) or email [staroftheseacentre@gmail.com](mailto:staroftheseacentre@gmail.com) or call Frank or Louise on 071 9176722:

Eucharistic Healing Service – Our Lady Star of the Sea Public Oratory (part of Star of the Sea Retreat Centre) – led by Deacon Frank McGuinness and Louise McGuinness. The healing service will take place on the evening of the second Monday in each month beginning at 7:30pm and finishing at 9:00pm. Upcoming date: Jan 13<sup>th</sup>. All welcome.

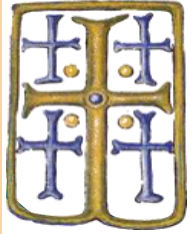
Bible Foundation Course for Beginners – Upcoming date: 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February. Led by Deacon Frank McGuinness. Cost: €290. Price includes full board and accommodation. Let the Word of God transform your life!

Retreats for Women – Upcoming dates: [31<sup>st</sup> Jan – 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb]; [7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> March]; Led by Louise & Frank McGuinness. Cost: €260 includes full board. Time for renewal and rest. Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Eucharistic Healing and Confession. Meet new friends while enjoying the beautiful surroundings of Mullaghmore.

**Volunteers Needed:** Would you be willing to provide companionship or make friendly calls to an older person in your community? The commitment is one hour per week. ALONE are seeking volunteers. Full training and support provided. If interested, please sign up on <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> For more information, contact Helena: [Helena.madden@alone.ie](mailto:Helena.madden@alone.ie) / 086 0145829.



## CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2024



## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH



## CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

Monday–Thursday 10.30am

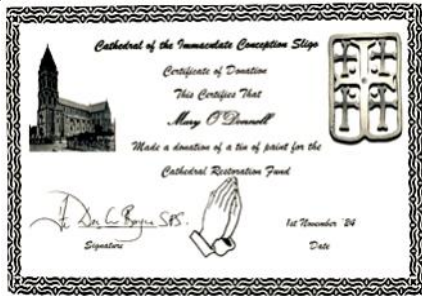
Friday & Saturday 10.30am & 7.00pm

Saturday Vigil Mass at 7pm

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

Tap and Go System now operational at the back of the Cathedral.

**Please take both the newsletter and missalette home. Thank you.**



Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Sligo, Restoration Fundraiser Appeal  
**'Buy a Tin of Paint'** €50 per tin. Please contact the Parish Office 071 9162670 or the Parish Shop. Cheques made payable to Elphin Diocese Cathedral No.1 Parish account

**6<sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Christmas, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> December**

**10.30am Mass: Mae & Charlie Mulligan (Anniversary)**

**7<sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Christmas, Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> December**

**St. Sylvester, Pope (Memorial)**

**10.30am Mass: Margaret & Patrick Kennedy (Anniversary)**

**10.30pm Exposition**

**11.30pm Mass**

**New Year's Day, Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025**

**Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Solemnity)**

**World Day of Peace**

**Octave of Christmas**

**10.30am Mass**

**Before Epiphany, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January**

**Ss. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church (Memorial)**

**10.30am Mass: David Best (Anniversary)**

**Before Epiphany, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

**The Holy Name of Jesus (Optional Memorial)  
St. Munchin (Mainchin), Bishop (Optional Memorial)**

**10.30am Mass: Mary Jane Healy (Anniversary)**

**7.00pm Mass: John Hynes (Anniversary)**

**Before Epiphany, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January**

**10.30am Mass**

**7.00pm Mass**

This week's Newsletter is sponsored  
in memory of Sheila O'Grady

**Sunday Readings for 5<sup>th</sup> January**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Eccles (Sir) 24:1-2, 8-12; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Eph 1:3-6, 15-18;  
Gospel: Jn 1:1-18.**

**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.**