

FROM THE PARISH

Cathedral Restoration Update: The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception restoration is ongoing with major improvements being performed in order to protect the future integrity of the building. It is hoped that the interior scaffolding can start to be removed 13th June followed by two weeks of dust extraction. At this time we are reasonably hopeful that the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception will reopen for the Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul on Sunday 29th June and that the official reopening will occur on Sunday 6th July 2025.

Collection: For St. Joseph's Young Priest's Society on 7th & 8th June outside Nazareth Chapel at weekend Masses (Knight's of St. Columbanus).

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**.

Cathedral 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

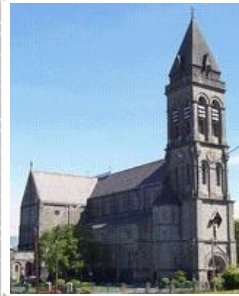
FROM THE DIOCESE

Pentecost Penance Service: Continuing our celebration of Reconciliation throughout this Jubilee Year of Hope, a Pentecost Penance service will take place on Sunday 8th June at 7.30pm, (**St. Anne's**), in a number of churches in the dioceses of Achonry and Elphin. For a full list of churches, see www.elphindiocese.ie

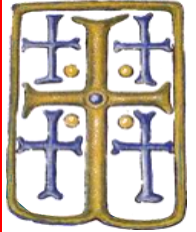
Pilgrimage to Lough Derg: Achonry & Elphin dioceses' 3-day pilgrimage to Lough Derg will take place from Friday 13th – Sunday 15th June. For details, including bus arrangements, please visit: www.elphindiocese.ie/lough-derg

Dare to Hope – Young Adult Faith Gathering: On 14th June, the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, in collaboration with Knock Shrine, will host 'Dare to Hope' – a dynamic and prayerful gathering for young adults aged 18 to 30. The event will take place in the Youth Village in Knock, ending with Mass in the Basilica of Our Lady of Knock. To book a place at this event, please contact Deacon Seamus Talbot at youth@elphindiocese.ie

All Ireland Rally for Life 2025: Rally for Life takes place on Saturday 5th July commencing at 1.30pm at Parnell Square, Dublin. For further details: email info@rallyforlife.net / phone (01) 8730465.



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER Sunday 8th June 2025



PENTECOST SUNDAY



NAZARETH CHAPEL 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

Confessions Saturday 11am-12noon

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 - Pentecost Sunday - Reflection

Can you imagine how difficult it was for the early disciples to try to grasp all that was being thrust at them? God is not fully knowable, his Son Jesus, who they just knew had great authority, could be hard to understand (in fact most of the time they spent clearly misunderstanding him) and now Jesus the Son of God and told them to go out and make disciples of all the nations. Fishermen from Galilee, from a backwater part of the periphery of the Roman empire, were to convert all of Judaism to Christianity, and all of the Greek pagans, and indeed all of the world. But that is exactly what happened with the intervention of the Paraclete.

The Holy Spirit is still giving us gifts to help us spread the Gospel. Rather than speak in tongues, or prophesy, or performing miracles, the Holy Spirit is giving us the new gifts. We have wisdom and a greater understanding based on two thousand years of human study, discernment, and prayer. We now have longevity and healthier lives, far longer than in Jesus' time, allowing us a longer time of ministry. And we all have a ministry on this earth. And yes, a speed of modern communication that allows the spread of the Gospel faster, and more effectively, to all parts of the world. Yes, modern medicine is daily causing miracles, unbelievable 2,000 years ago.

Yes, the Holy Spirit is very much alive and active to day. Every bit as much as 2,000 years ago. And Jesus great command, his great commission, to go forth and spread the gospel to all lands and creatures, is still meant for you and me. Every bit as much as 2,000 years ago.

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Monday 9th June

St. Columba (Colum Cille), abbot & missionary, secondary patron of Ireland (Feast)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Carl Gethins (Anniversary)

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Tuesday 10th June

St. Ephrem, deacon & doctor of the Church (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: James Kelly (Anniversary)

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10th Week in Ordinary Time, Wednesday 11th June

St. Barnabas, apostle (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Fred & Kate McEwing (Anniversary)

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Thursday 12th June

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Friday 13th June

St. Anthony of Padua, priest & doctor of the Church (Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Agnes Veronica Carty (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Kathleen & Padraig Fowley & Family (Anniversary)

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Saturday 14th June

St. Davnet, virgin (Optional Memorial)

Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.30am Mass

7.00pm Mass

Sunday Readings for 15th June

1st Reading: Prov 8:22-31; 2nd Reading: Rm 5:1-5; Gospel: Jn 16:12-15.

REST IN PEACE

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

Dermot Ward

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

Email: 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.