

FROM THE PARISH

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you sincerely for your parish contributions. These donations are critical income, necessary to maintain the annual running cost of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. I would like to tell you about 'The Charitable Donation Scheme', which allows our parishioners to increase their annual donation, at no extra cost to them.

If you make a donation of more than €250 to your church, in a calendar year, we may be able claim a rebate on this donation. For example, if you make an annual donation of €250, the church can boost the value of your gift by an extra €112.32. The donation of €250 is regarded as 69% of the total donation and therefore we can claim the extra 31%, which is €112.32, as a rebate to the church.

Please find at the back of the Cathedral a CHY3 Form that requires your details. This form permits St Mary's parish to make a claim for the charitable donation rebate on your behalf for the prior 5 years. This information will be treated in strictest confidence in accordance with our GDPR policy. I would be much obliged if you could return this form by the 28th November.

Sligo Cemetery: Please join us every Sunday afternoon for the Month of November at 3.00pm for the Rosary for all our dearly departed.

Parish Envelopes: The parish envelopes are now ready to be delivered to our parishioners, can the area representatives please call to the parish office to collect them. Thank you

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.

Sunday Collection: Income 9th November - €4,200

Parish Expenditure - €7,865

You can also scan the QR Code to make a donation.

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.



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Youth 2000 Retreat: Youth 2000 Connaught retreat takes place from November 21st to 23rd in Summerhill College, Sligo. Workshops, music, talks, testimonies & more. Donation only. Register online at Youth2000.ie/ contact connaught@youth2000.ie for more information.

Week of Witness: Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Ireland's annual Week of Witness campaign takes place from 15th to 23rd November with 'Red Wednesday' falling on 19th November when ACN seek to raise awareness and pray for all who are persecuted and discriminated against because of their Christian faith.

The Way of Gentleness: Annual Advent faith enrichment journey at St. Patrick's Church, Strandhill, Sligo takes place on three Mondays in December at 8pm – Monday December 1st, 8th and 15th. Online attendance also at: churchservices-stpatrickstrandhill

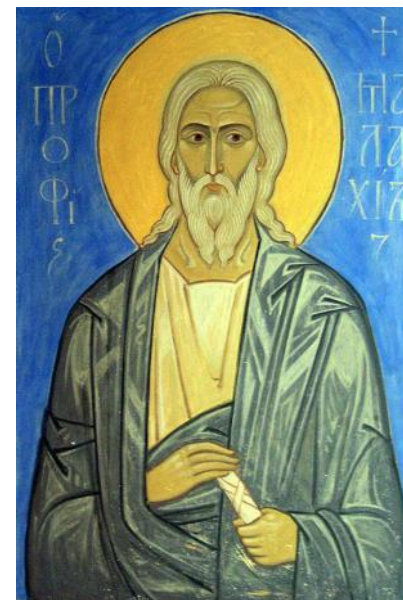


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NEWSLETTER
Sunday 16th November 2025



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME WORLD DAY OF THE POOR



CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

Monday—Thursday 8.00am & 10.30am

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 at the back of the Cathedral.

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

TODAY - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Malachi, the last of the Old Testament Prophets

The prophet Malachi was one of the twelve, and the last, of the canonical Old Testament Prophets. Malachi means "angel" or messenger of God. He lived approximately one hundred years after the return of Israelites from Babylonian captivity; and approximately four hundred years before the birth of Jesus Christ. Prophet Malachi actually foretold of the coming of Jesus Christ: "Behold I will send you Elijah the prophet." (Malachi 4:5) Jesus himself quotes Malachi when questioned by his followers: "And the disciples asked him, 'Why, then, do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?' He replied, 'Elijah is indeed coming and will restore all things; but I tell you that Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but they did to him whatever they pleased.'" (Matthew 17:10-12) Indeed, Malachi also predicted the coming of John the Baptist: "Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his Temple." (Malachi 3:1-2) Less emphasised from his writings is the astonishing fact that the Malachi actually predicted the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (the Eucharist) that we celebrate today. He writes: "For From rising of the sun to its setting my name is to be great among the nations and in every place incense is to be offered to my name, and a pure offering, for my name is great among the nations, says the Lord of Hosts" (Malachi 1:11) You will recognise the wording from the third Eucharistic Prayer ("... so that from the rising of the sun to the setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name"). In Malachi's time, a religious sacrifice was only offered in one place: the Temple in Jerusalem. And yet, Malachi told us 2,400 years ago that Jesus' sacrifice would be in the future offered everywhere, and not only by Jews, but by all peoples.

33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Monday 17th November

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Kevin Neeson (Recently Deceased)

33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Tuesday 18th November

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter & Paul (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Ina Monaghan (Anniversary)

33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Wednesday 19th November

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Jock Graham (Anniversary)

33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Thursday 20th November

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass

33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Friday 21st November

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Thomas O'Connor (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Veronica & Martin Gilroy (Anniversary)

33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Saturday 22nd November

St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr (Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Anna Clancy (Month's Mind)

7.00pm Mass

This week's Newsletter is sponsored in memory of Graham, Higgins & Kerrigan families

Sunday Readings for 23rd November

1st Reading: 2 Sm 5:1-3; 2nd Reading: Col 1:12-20; Gospel: Lk 23:35-43.

REST IN PEACE

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

Betty Downes, Carmel Mahon

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

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.