

FROM THE PARISH

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: If you are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister, interested in learning more information or an existing Extraordinary Minister wanting to refresh your skills and knowledge. We will be having an education session for new and existing ministers on Thursday 5th February from 7pm-8pm in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Please feel free to join us.

Devine Mercy Hour with Adoration every Friday at 3pm in the new Nazareth Chapel. All are welcome.

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 18th January - €3,409**

Parish Expenditure - €3,891

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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Rediscover the Bible: Rediscover the Bible in 2026 – **Venue: Summerhill College, Sligo.** Every Tuesday evening beginning 3rd February and ending on 24th March – 7:30pm to 9:30pm. Led by Deacon Frank McGuinness. Cost: €100. Price includes a free Bible and resource kit. This is an opportunity for anyone who would like to get more comfortable reading, understanding, and praying the Bible. The course will help you navigate and understand the big picture of salvation, and get familiar with the Bible's major themes, people, and covenants. Booking essential. Places limited. Please contact Frank on 087 9880690 or at frankmcguinness@hotmail.com or visit www.rediscoverthebible.ie to book your place. Let the Word of God transform your life!

Lá Fhéile Bríde - St Brigid's Day at Knock Shrine: Knock Shrine celebrates St. Brigid on Saturday, January 31st & Sunday, February 1st. On Saturday, make St Brigid's Crosses in Knock Museum from 12pm to 3pm. On Sunday, St. Brigid's Flame will be present, courtesy of the Brigidine Sisters. Also on Sunday – 11am: Welcome. 11.15am: Guided Prayer. 12pm: Mass, and global one minute pause for peace. Special welcome to all named in honour of St. Brigid.

Rise and Shine Trust Collection: The Rise and Shine Trust (formerly The Irish Pilgrimage Trust) annual church gate collection takes place in Sligo town and county on Saturday 31st January and Sunday 1st February. All funds go directly to the cost of bringing children and young adults with additional needs to Lourdes on a week's pilgrimage next Easter. Your support is greatly appreciated.



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER Sunday 25th January 2026



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fishers of Men

If you were planning on starting a religious movement I would imagine your first move wouldn't be to find some illiterate fishermen to lead it. But God's ways are not our ways. Telling his disciples to become fishers of men sounds rather odd to us. But Jesus always met people where they were and to men who spent their day catching fish in the sea it probably made sense; instead of bringing in fish we are going to be bringing in souls for Christ. Both jobs involve risk. The deeper the water and the worse the weather sometimes comes with it a great reward, albeit with some danger. Fishing for fish and for souls can lead to loss of life. Sometimes no matter how hard your work you do not catch any fish at all. Circumstances are beyond your control. That is why missionaries travel thousands of kilometers to no concern for personal safety; they are following the instruction Christ gave his disciples. How are we sharing the Good News?

Romans 3:14 "How then are they to call on him if they have not come to believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard of him? And how will they hear of him unless there is a preacher for them?"

3rd Week in Ordinary Time, Monday 26th January

Ss. Timothy & Titus, Bishops (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Peter & Maura Shovlin (Anniversary)

3rd Week in Ordinary Time, Tuesday 27th January

St. Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Frank Murphy (First Anniversary)

3rd Week in Ordinary Time, Wednesday 28th January

St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Samuel Joseph Varghese (Anniversary)

3rd Week in Ordinary Time, Thursday 29th January

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Miriam Devaney (Anniversary)

This week's Newsletter is sponsored in memory of the deceased members of the Devaney & O'Brien families.

3rd Week in Ordinary Time, Friday 30th January

St. Aidan, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Vladimír, Ludmila & Fedonénko Stansilav (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Rosaleen Smith & Deceased Family Members (Anniversary)

3rd Week in Ordinary Time, Saturday 31st January

St. John Bosco, Priest (Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Derek Gannon (Month's Mind)

7.00pm Mass

Sunday Readings for 1st February

1st Reading: Zeph 2:3, 3:12-13; 2nd Reading: 1 Cor 1:26-31;
Gospel: Mt 5:1-12.

REST IN PEACE

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

John Keegan, Christina Leonard, Angela Kelly.

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.