

FROM THE PARISH

Sacraments: We would like to congratulate the pupils of St. Johns and Scoil Ursula who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last week. We would also like to thank the teachers and parents/guardians who helped prepare them for this sacrament.

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 26th April - €4,161

Parish Expenditure - €5,132 (Oil €2,460)

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 donation system at the back of the Cathedral for donations.



FROM THE DIOCESE

Achonry and Elphin Pilgrimage to Lough Derg: Dioceses of Achonry and Elphin three-day pilgrimage to Lough Derg will take place from Friday 12th to Sunday 14th June. More details, including bus options: www.elphindiocese.ie/lough-derg All welcome.

Achonry and Elphin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: The Achonry and Elphin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 28th August to 2nd September 2026 inclusive, led by Bishop Kevin Doran.

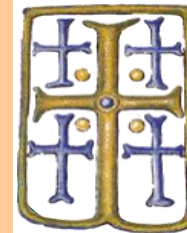
Youth Section: Nominations for the Youth Section are being sought from parishes for young people to participate in the Pilgrimage. Nominees aged between 17 and 20 years are welcome to participate. Nominees must be 17 years or over on the 20th August 2026. Youth must be nominated through their Priest/Chaplain. Forms are available from the local parish office. Full details are included on the Nomination Form. Closing date for receipt of completed nominations is 24th May, 2026

Assisted Pilgrimage Section: Those who travel as part of the Assisted Pilgrim Section will stay in Accueil Notre Dame, which is situated near the Grotto and Sanctuary area. They will be cared for by the Diocesan Pilgrimage Care Team whilst in Lourdes. Application forms for the Assisted Pilgrim Section and full details are available from Very Rev. Ray Milton, P.P., Pilgrimage Director, St. John's, Lecarrow, Co. Roscommon. (Telephone – 090 6661115). Closing date for receipt of completed Application Forms is 11th June 2026.

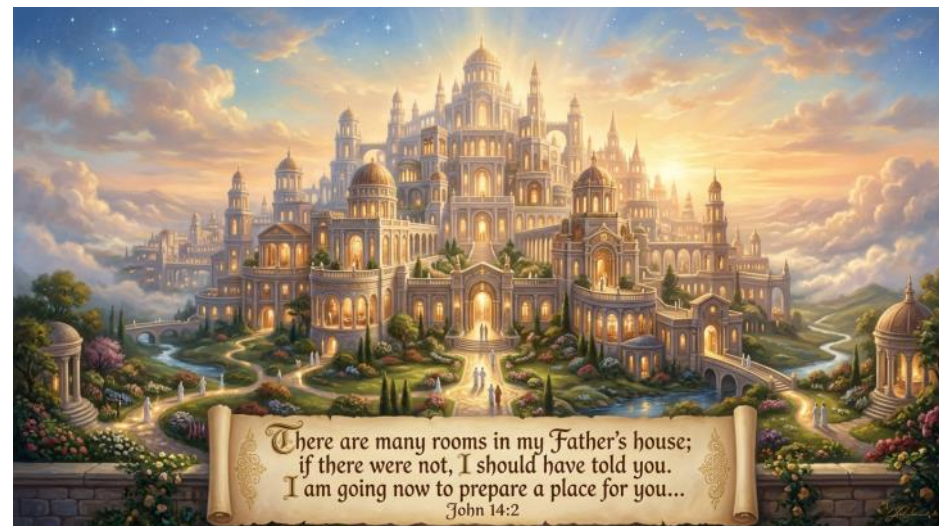
Pilgrimage Enquiries: All other enquiries in relation to the Pilgrimage can be directed to Joe Walsh Tours (JWT) at 016852244 or email info@joewalstours.ie



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER Sunday 3rd May 2026



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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 donation system now operational at the back of the Cathedral.

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

TODAY - Fifth Sunday of Easter

THE WAY WE ARE GOING

Our Gospel reading for the Fifth Sunday of Easter is one commonly used at funeral Masses. At a time of loss and grieving, and indeed, at many times in our lives, we can feel lost and abandoned. There can be a sense that we don't know where our life is going and we don't know exactly which way to turn next. Jesus provides us words of consolation knowing that we can always turn to him as he is the way and the truth and the life. The Cistercian monk **Thomas Merton** created a prayer of unknowing that captures Jesus' reassurance that we are never alone in our struggles in life.

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that, if I do this, you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and You will never leave me to face my perils alone. Amen.

5th Week of Easter, Monday 4th May

St. Conleth, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: May Hickey (Anniversary)

5th Week of Easter, Tuesday 5th May

Bl. Edmund Rice, Religious (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Breda O'Hehir (Anniversary)

5th Week of Easter, Wednesday 6th May

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Special Intention

5th Week of Easter, Thursday 7th May

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Johnny Scanlon (Birthday Remembrance)

5th Week of Easter, Friday 8th May

Bl. John Sullivan, Priest (Optional Memorial)

Anniversary of the election in 2025 of Pope Leo XIV as Supreme Pastor of the Church.

10.30am Mass: Mary Clancy (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Carla Byrne & her living family members (Anniversary)

5th Week of Easter, Saturday 9th May

10.30am Mass

7.00pm Mass

This week's Newsletter is sponsored in memory of Breda O'Hehir & deceased members of the O'Hehir family.

Sunday Readings for 10th May

**1st Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 2nd Reading: 1 Pt 3:15-18;
Gospel: Jn 14:15-21.**

REST IN PEACE

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

Sandra Carr, Christina Fletcher

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.