

## FROM THE PARISH

**Sacraments:** We would like to congratulate the pupils of Gaelscoil Chnoc na Ré who received the Sacrament of Holy Communion on Saturday. We would like to thank their teachers and parents/guardians who helped prepare them for this sacrament.

**Children's Rosary:** The Children's Rosary will take place on Thursday evening at 7pm. All parents and grandparents are welcome to come join us.

**Prayer for Success in Exams:** Holy Hour of Adoration Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm-8.30pm. All are welcome.

**Save the date:** Parish Garden Party will take place on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June after the 12 Noon Mass at St. Mary's Presbytery. 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 17<sup>th</sup> May - €3,309  
Parish Expenditure - €8,744

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.



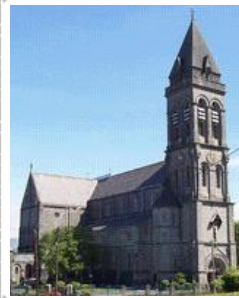
## FROM THE DIOCESE

**Pray for Life Novena:** The *Pray for Life* Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit [www.prayforlife.ie](http://www.prayforlife.ie) for the daily novena prayers and to sign up for daily reminders. The prayers will also be posted on [facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena](https://www.facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena) and @prayforlifenovena on Instagram. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

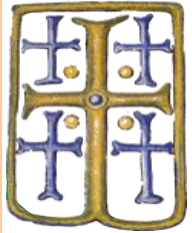
**National Synodal Pathway:** The National Synodal Pathway has reached an important moment in its journey. Currently, the working groups are meeting periodically to explore more deeply the seven priorities identified by the Catholic Church in discerning what God is asking of the Church in Ireland today. To learn more about this journey, please follow the link: <https://theway.ie/julieann-moran-shares-update-as-national-synodal-pathway-reaches-important-phase/>

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

**Rosary at Tobernalt Holy Well:** During the month of May, the Rosary will be prayed at Tobernalt Holy Well, Sligo each evening at 8pm. Prayers for Peace, our own personal intentions, and examinations are especially remembered. All are welcome.



## CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026



## PENTECOST SUNDAY



## 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 - Pentecost Sunday

### Pentecost

Arguably after Easter Sunday and Christmas Sunday, Pentecost Sunday is the third most important Feast in our Church Calendar. It represents the birth of our Church and it marks the action of the Triune God in all of our lives. There is something mysterious and incomprehensible of the Holy Spirit. Maybe that is why we call it the Holy Ghost! Maybe it is also why the Orthodox Church, which seems more comfortable with mystery and uncertainty, places a greater emphasis on the Paraclete, the Advocate, in our lives. Because, as the Pentecost sequence tells us, "without His strength, man has nothing." We can do nothing without the Holy Spirit. As Pope Francis said in his homily 29<sup>th</sup> November 2014 in Istanbul: "The Holy Spirit is the soul of the Church. He gives life, he brings forth different charisms that enrich the people of God and, above all, he creates unity among believers: from the many he makes one body, the Body of Christ. The Church's whole life and mission depend on the Holy Spirit; he fulfils all things." We want to fulfill actions that proclaim God's glory to the whole world; we don't seek the gifts of the Spirit for our own self-glorification or ego. Paul tells us there are "many spiritual gifts but the same Spirit." Our Church is made of many people with many and varied gifts, but we, in the final analysis, we are one body, and there is one Spirit. *Ut unum sint.*

### 8<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May

#### The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass

### 8<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May

#### St. Philip Neri, Priest (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Breege Preston (Anniversary)

### 8<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May

#### St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Michael & Mary Lynch (Anniversary)

### 8<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May

8am Mass: Our Lady's Intention

10.30am Mass

7pm Children's Rosary

This week's Newsletter  
is sponsored in memory  
of John Kehoe.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time, Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

#### St. Paul VI, Pope (Optional Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Irene Watters (Anniversary)

7pm Mass: P. J. McGuinn (Anniversary)

7.30pm: Holy Hour to Pray for Exam Success

### 8<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time, Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May

#### Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.30am Mass: Anne Connolly (Month's Mind)

7pm Mass

#### Sunday Readings for 31<sup>st</sup> May

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ex 34:4-6, 8-9; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Cor 13:11-13;  
Gospel: Jn 3:16-18.

### REST IN PEACE

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

**Sheila Cawley-Kivlehan, Danny Gilroy & Jamie O'Hanlon.**

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](mailto:info@sligocathedral.ie)

If you would like to donate to the Cathedral Parish please make cheques payable  
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Elphin Diocese Cathedral No.1 Parish account.

THANK YOU for your support of our Parish and Cathedral.