

FROM THE PARISH

Corpus Christi: The Corpus Christi procession will take place on Sunday 7th June following the 7pm Mass, from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to Sligo Abbey. Please join us.

The Padre Pio Holy Hour will be held on Friday next, 5th June, with the Rosary at 6.30pm, which will be followed at 7pm by Holy Mass and Benediction. All are welcome.

Save the date: Parish Garden Party will take place on Sunday 21st 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.

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.

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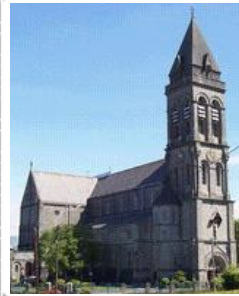
National Pilgrimage for Life organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 20th June at Knock Shrine. This national pilgrimage celebrates the gift of life and prays for the protection of all human life.

Eucharistic Healing Service - Star of the Sea Retreat Centre: All are welcome to the Eucharistic Healing Service on Monday 8th June at 7.30pm in Our Lady Star of the Sea Public Oratory, Mullaghmore, Co. Sligo, F91 CC98. Led by Deacon Frank McGuinness and Louise McGuinness. Upcoming date: 13th July. Free Event.

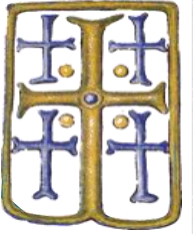
Achonry and Elphin Pilgrimage to Lough Derg: Dioceses of Achonry and Elphin three-day pilgrimage to Lough Derg will take place from Friday 12th to Sunday 14th June. More details, including bus options: www.elphindiocese.ie/lough-derg All welcome.

Apostolic Work Annual Display: Apostolic Work are holding their Annual Display Day on 7th June in Four Mile House Community Centre, Co. Roscommon (F42 N277). Doors open at 12noon. There will be concelebrated Mass with Bishop Kevin Doran at 2pm, followed by distribution of 2026 Easter Chicken Funds. Refreshments served afterwards. Please come along especially if you have sponsored or would like to sponsor sacred vessels and meet some of the recipients, some old friends and visiting missionaries. Everyone most welcome. Further details: contact Mary Lee 087 1353780.

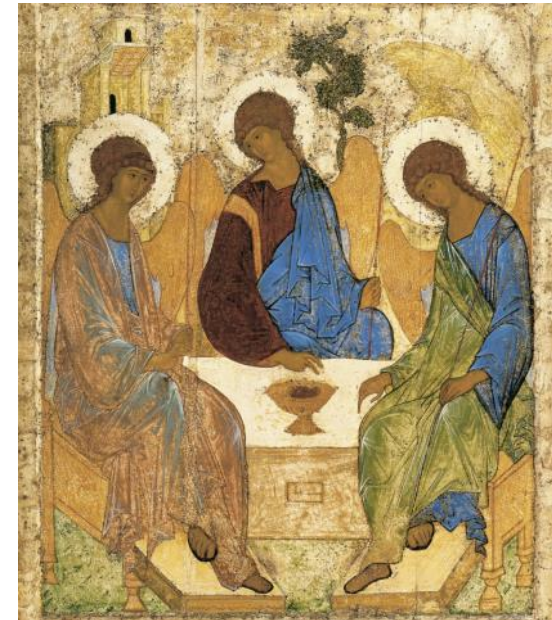
41st All Ireland Rosary Rally: Annual rally takes place at Knock Shrine on June 6th, inspired by the example of Venerable Patrick Peyton. See allirelandrosaryrally.com for more details, the schedule, and for a list of 50+ buses going from around Ireland.



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER Sunday 31st May 2026



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



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 - The Most Holy Trinity

The Most Holy Trinity

They tell a story of a primary school teacher giving a religious instruction class and the topic of the day was the Trinity. Not knowing exactly how to explain it she decided she would just ask the students their understanding. "What is the Trinity?" One precocious student quickly answered: "It is a mystery!" "Very good Johnny," she replied, "but what is a mystery?" Johnny replied: "If I could explain it, teacher, it wouldn't be a mystery!"

St Augustine of Hippo, North Africa, said something similar to Johnny: "*Si comprehendus, non est Deus.*" If you understand, it is not God. Seminarians were great at trying to unlock the supernatural mysteries as if they were a rubric's cube to be conquered. In the final analysis, we have to be content with our limitations, and the fact that we need faith to supply our lack of full knowledge.

But the Trinity is one of the central tenants in our Catholic belief. To me, the Trinity underscores the active presence of God in our lives. There is a religious understanding called "deism" which some famous people, including Einstein, believed was the way God operates. In deism, God creates the world, steps back and doesn't interfere. He is like a clock maker, who winds up a clock and then leaves it to do its thing. Einstein wrote: "*It seems to me that the idea of a personal God is an anthropological concept which I cannot take seriously.*" He also wrote: "*I don't believe in a God who concerns himself with the fate and doings of mankind.*"

Now, as a theoretical physicist, he was unsurpassed, but as a theologian and a metaphysicist, I would believe that he fell short of the mark. A God who is unconcerned is not a loving God. As Catholics, we believe in a loving God, one who wants to be in an active relationship with us, and one for whom "**we live and move and have our being.**" (Acts 17:28) God is a God who loves us. The love that the three members of the Trinity have for one another is the love that God has for us as well. Picture on Front: Trinity, by Andrei Rublev, 1425

9th Week in Ordinary Time, Monday 1st June

St. Justin, Martyr (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass

9th Week in Ordinary Time, Tuesday 2nd June

Ss. Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass

9th Week in Ordinary Time, Wednesday 3rd June

St. Kevin, Abbot (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass

This week's Newsletter is not sponsored.

9th Week in Ordinary Time, Thursday 4th June

Ss. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs (Memorial)

8am Mass

10.30am Mass

9th Week in Ordinary Time, Friday 5th June

St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr (Memorial)

10.30am Mass: Kathleen Lane & her sister Ann McGowan & deceased members of the McGowan Family (Anniversary)

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

9th Week in Ordinary Time, Saturday 6th June

St. Norbert, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

St. Jarlath, Bishop (Optional Memorial)

Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.30am Mass: Thanksgiving

7.00pm Mass

Sunday Readings for 7th June

1st Reading: Deut 8:2-3, 14-16; 2nd Reading: 1 Cor 10:16-17;
Gospel: Jn 6:51-58.

REST IN PEACE

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

Marie Bird & John Henry.

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.