

FROM THE PARISH

Sligo Corpus Christi Procession will take place following the 7pm Mass this Sunday 7th from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to Sligo Abbey. Please join us.

13th & 14th June, **Church Gate Collection** on behalf of St Joseph's Young Priests Society by the Knights of St Columbanus.

Praise Concert in St Anne's Church, Sligo, F91 R250, on Thurs 18th June at 7.30p.m. Sligo Gospel Choir, St Anne's Church Choir and Louder Youth Worship will perform. Admission is free, and there will be a voluntary collection for NW Cornerstone. 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.

Tap & Go System at the back of the Cathedral for donations.

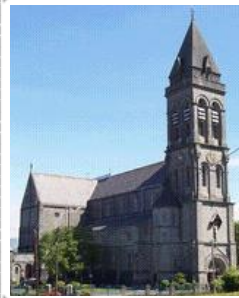


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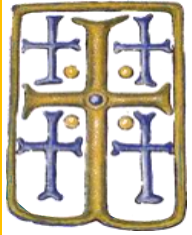
Achonry and Elphin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from 28th August to 2nd September 2026 inclusive, led by Bishop Kevin Doran. **Assisted Pilgrimage Section:** Those who travel as part of the Assisted Pilgrim Section will stay in Accueil Notre Dame, which is situated near the Grotto and Sanctuary 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 01 6852244 or email info@joewalstours.ie

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.

June @ Fr Peyton Centre, Attymass, Ballina, Co. Mayo F26 X884 Guided Prayer Afternoon: Thursday, June 11th from 2pm to 4.30pm - rosary, meditation, silent time and Mass. **One Day Retreat:** Saturday June 20th from 11am to 4.30pm - spiritual talks, reflection, quiet time, rosary and Mass. Booking essential. **Rosary on the Reek:** Saturday June 27th - gather at the Grotto in the car park at 9.45am to begin climb at 10am. Rosary and Mass at the summit at 12noon. Further information on all events: Fina 096 45374 / 087 6816821.



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SLIGO NEWSLETTER Sunday 7th June 2026



THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)



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 Body & Blood of Christ

The Mystery of Holy Mass

I was in Shanghai for work, in 2004, and I went to mass in St Ignatius Cathedral. It had been destroyed in the Cultural Revolution in 1966 with the stained glass windows smashed and the two spires brought down. Subsequently, in the 1980s it was restored. The mass was celebrated in Chinese (or Mandarin) and the Eucharistic Rite was recited in Latin. At the time of Communion the priest was saying "*Corpus Christi*" to everyone who approached. Now, even among us whose Latin is non-existent, every Catholic knows what *Corpus Christi* means.

However, when he came to me, the short priest peered upwards at me, and looking over his glasses, he said "Body of Christ." It was his way of recognising I was the only non-Asian there and a way of making me welcome. Perhaps his way of reassuring me in a place that was rather strange to me.

And it made me reflect on the universal nature of our Church. You see, you can go to mass anywhere, in any language, and still feel a part of the celebration, still feel welcome.

That event also drew my attention to a concept called "*The Mystical Body of Christ*." It arises from Paul's description of the Church as a body, with Christ as the head, and all of us, the members, making up the rest of the body. "**Now Christ's body is yourselves, each of you with a part to play in the whole.**" [1 Cor 12:27] This concept, or doctrine, was made popular by Pius XII, who wrote an encyclical on it in 1943 (*Mystici Corporis Christi*). For you see, if we are a part of this Mystical Body of Christ, that makes us all mystical members of such a body, so to speak. When we consume the body of Christ, we become part of him, and he becomes part of us. That is the great mystery of our Holy Mass.

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Monday 8th June

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Tom & May McDonagh (Anniversary)

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Tuesday 9th June

St. Columba (Colum Cille), Abbot & Missionary, Secondary Patron of Ireland (Feast)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Carl Gethins (Anniversary)

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Wednesday 10th June

St. Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church (Optional Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Bridget Cushing, Margaret Dwyer & Mary Evelyn Cekert (Anniversary)

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Thursday 11th June

St. Barnabas, Apostle (Memorial)

8am Mass: Special Intention

10.30am Mass: Ann Cassie Kelly (Anniversary)

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Friday 12th June

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity)
World Day of Prayer for Priests

10.30am Mass: Agnes Vera Carty (Anniversary)

7.00pm Mass: Packie & Gertie Keegan (Anniversary)

10th Week in Ordinary Time, Saturday 13th June

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)

10.30am Mass

7.00pm Mass

This week's Newsletter is not sponsored.

Sunday Readings for 14th June

1st Reading: Ex 19:2-6; 2nd Reading: Rm 5:6-11; Gospel: Mt 9:36-10:8.

REST IN PEACE

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

Dermot Layden & Deirdre Quinn Schmidt

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.