

Parish of Stranorlar

Church of Mary Immaculate

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MASSES: Saturday - 6pm(Vigil). Sunday - **9am & 11am.**

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 10am.

CONFESSIONS: No confessions on Saturday

ADORATION: Thursday 10.30am - Friday 10am

BAPTISMS: Every Sunday 12.15pm & 1st Saturday of every Month.
(Please give two weeks notice)

3rd Sunday of Advent - 17th December 2017

Recent Death: We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of John Gallagher, Derry and formerly Dunwiley who was buried on Thursday. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Community Carol Service: The annual Carol Service will take place in the church this Sunday 17th December at 7pm. We encourage as many as possible to come and join with our brothers and sisters from other churches.

Penitential Service: There will be a Penitential Service on Tuesday 18th December at 7.30pm in the church. We hope that as many as possible will come as there will be a choice of priests there.

Choir Practices for December: Practices will be held on Wednesday 20th & Friday 22nd from 8pm - 9.30pm. All welcome to join in preparation for the Carol Service and Christmas.

Confession Times for Christmas:

Tuesday 19th December	Penitential Service at 7.30pm
Thursday 21st December	12noon - 1pm & 6pm - 7pm.
Friday 22nd December	6pm - 7.30pm.
Saturday 23rd December	No confessions

St. Vincent de Paul: St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal collection will take place each weekend until Christmas.

Christmas Mass Times:

Saturday 23rd December 6pm (vigil)

Christmas Eve 24th December

(Sunday) 9am & 11am

6pm Children's Mass

10pm Mass - Eve of Nativity

12 midnight - Mass in Polish

Christmas Day 25th December

(Monday) 9am & 11am (only 2 Masses)

Cursillo: Fr Martin Chambers will give a reflection on 'The Real Meaning of Christmas' with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Mary's Parish Centre (upstairs) this Sunday 17th December at 8pm. Collection on the night will go to the local St. Vincent de Paul. Everyone welcome.

Cúnamh Collection: Cúnamh is an organisation that raises funds for local emergencies or disasters. The annual church gate collection will be held at all the Masses this weekend 16th & 17th December. Your support would be very much appreciated. The Christmas Raffle Draw will take place after the 11am Mass in St. Mary's Parish Centre.

Family Enrichment Centre and Cunamh Shop: This shop will close on 23rd December. The shop will reopen under new management of Cúnamh in January. Donations of clothes etc. are still being taken.

Envelope Boxes 2018: The Sunday Collection Envelopes are now ready. We ask all the usual distributors again to go to the Parish Centre after any of the Masses this weekend to collect the boxes for their area.

Christmas Cards: The parish is sending out a Christmas Card this year to every household. We would ask the distributors for each area to collect their cards from the Parish Centre after any of the Masses this weekend.

Christmas Remembrance Tree: The community wish to remember in their prayers those who will not be able to make it home for Christmas. You can write the name of those you wish to remember on the cards provided in the church and they will be placed on the tree over Christmas.

Priests Concert: The Priests Live at The Church Of The Irish Martyrs, Letterkenny on Friday 29th December. Tickets are €25 and are available from The Parish Office, The Sacristy, Veritas & Clarkes Newsagents, Lower Main Street, Letterkenny. Contact 9127600 for further information.