Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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MASSES: Saturday - 6pm(Vigil). Sunday - 8am, 9.30am & 11am Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 10am.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday - 12 - 1pm & 5.15pm - 5.45pm. **ADORATION:** Thursday 10.30am - Friday 10am

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

2nd Sunday of the Year - 14th January 2018

Recent Death: We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Bernadette Conlon, Donegal Rd. who was buried on Monday last. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

This Sunday - 14th January is World Day of Migrants & Refugees:

Pope Francis has asked everyone to respond to the situation of many migrants and refugees fleeing from war, persecution, natural disasters and poverty by actions in deeds and words. A welcoming event for new migrants & refugees is being organised for Sunday 11th February at 3pm by the Diocese of Raphoe Justice & Peace group in association with the Donegal Intercultural Platform. Venue in Letterkenny to be finalised soon.

'Migrants and refugees are not pawns on the chessboard of humanity'. (Pope Francis)

St. Joseph's Hospital , Stranorlar Action Group: A very important Public Meeting will take place on Friday 19th January at 7 pm in the Pyramid Suite, Jacksons Hotel to discuss the future of St. Joseph's Community Hospital, the removal of long stay residential and Dementia beds and services. It is essential that our communities rally together to demonstrate the importance of the hospital and its services to our area. We ask you to make an effort to attend this meeting on the night. All Public Representatives have been invited to hear the concerns of the General Public and all who are present on the night.

Baptism Service of Thanksgiving: A special word of thanks to all those who organised last Sunday's celebration. There was a very good turn-out of families and children and we thank those who made the effort to come along and take part in the service.

Dooish N.S.: Enrolment Application Forms are now available for Junior Infants & Special Class for Pupils with Autism ~ Abbey Class for the coming school year 2018/2019 Closing Date for First Round Consideration is 19th February. Contact 9131471 or <u>dooish@hotmail.com</u>

St. Mary's N.S.: Enrolment for September has now commenced and will continue until Friday 23rd March. Parents are asked to call to the school secretary Pearl Davis at the office to complete an enrolment form. Please bring your child's Birth Certificate and PPS Number.

St. Columba's College: Assessment Examination for those who have enrolled in the college for the coming academic year 2018 / 2019 will be held on Saturday 20th January from 9.30am - 1pm. Bring pencil and erasure.

Cursillo: Bishop Alan McGuckian will address members of the Raphoe Cursillo in Ards Friary on Sunday 21st January at 2.30pm.

Used Clothing Collecting: Tuesday 23rd January in the church car park from 9.30am - 12 in aid of the children of St. Patrick's Parish, Kitui, Kenya.

Legion of Mary: The Legion of Mary invite all auxiliary members and friends to a PPC Conference in St. Mary's Parish Centre on Sunday 28th Jan. from 3pm - 5pm. Members will be speaking of the work undertaken abroad last year and finishing with light refreshments.

Envelope Boxes for 2018: The Sunday Collection Envelopes have now been distributed. If you did not receive a box and would like one, please call to the sacristy after any of the Masses.

EXPLORE Alpha - Youth: Alpha - Youth is a contemporary exploration of the Christian Faith that is being used by groups all around the world to help young people explore the character and claims of Jesus. Over 8 weeks Alpha - Youth looks at topics from 'Who is Jesus?' and 'Why did Jesus die?' to 'How & why should I read the Bible? Starting on Monday 15th January in The Base Centre, Stranorlar from 7pm - 9pm. This Youth Film Series is run in partnership between EXODUS, Church of Ireland, Stranorlar, Meenglass & Kilteevogue and the Church of Mary Immaculate, Stranorlar Parish. All youth welcome up to Junior Cert.