

# *Parish of Stranorlar*

## *Church of Mary Immaculate*

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**MASSES:** Saturday - 6pm(Vigil). Sunday - 8am, 9.30am & 11am  
Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 10am.  
Friday 10am & 7.30pm.

**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)

### *The Baptism of the Lord - 7th January 2018*

**Baptism Service of Thanksgiving:** There will be a Baptism Service of Thanksgiving this Sunday 7th January - the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord - at 2pm in the church for all families who had a child baptised in 2017. We would be happy to have others join in the celebration too.

**Recent Death:** We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Sally Dervan, Blue Cedars who was buried on Monday last. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**Month's Mind:** The 7.30pm Mass on Friday 12th January will be offered for the repose of the soul of Jim Bonner, Cappry.

**Mass for the Sick:** The 10am Wednesday morning Mass will continue to be offered for the sick of our parish. You will have the opportunity to put the names of your sick in a basket in front of the altar. There are always people who are asking for prayers for their sick and there are always so many people in our community with health problems so we would like to accommodate you with this Wednesday morning Mass.

**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.

**Visitation of the Sick:** Tuesday: Ballybofey Town & Country  
Wednesday: Stranorlar Town & Country

There may be some people in the parish who are sick or housebound and would appreciate a visit by a priest once a month. If you know of anyone please give the name to any of the priests and we would be happy to call.

**Booking Masses:** Please continue to book Masses in the sacristy after any Mass on weekdays or Sundays. We will continue to offer up the Saturday Vigil Mass at 6pm for more than one intention in order to accommodate more people.

**Parish Pastoral Council (PPC):** The monthly meeting will be held on Thursday 11th January at 8pm in St. Mary's Parish Centre.

**St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:** The monthly meeting will be held on Friday 12th January at 7pm in St. Mary's Parish Centre.

**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 & Kiltcevogue and the Stranorlar Parish and Church of Mary Immaculate. All youth welcome up to Junior Cert.

**Ballybofey & Stranorlar Men's Shed, Community Garden Site, Car Park Ballybofey:** Class commencing January 8th - Willow Basket Weaving Class. Courses - January: Men on the Move Walking group. February: Basic Plumbing Course. March: Upholstery Class, Lawnmower & Chainsaw Servicing. Class duration fee €20.00. To register a place on any of the classes contact Gerry 086 8250550 or [gyconnolly@yahoo.com](mailto:gyconnolly@yahoo.com) Why not come along to the open shed night every Monday from 7.30pm. New members always welcome. Ongoing activities in the Men's Shed include: Woodturning, Garden Furniture Making, Art Class, Beginners Guitar Classes, Model Making. Tea, Coffee, Craic & Banter every night.

**Items for the Newsletter:** We would ask that all notes for the Sunday Newsletter should be left in the Parish Office, Parochial House, Donegal Rd or email [kieranmcateer10@eircom.net](mailto:kieranmcateer10@eircom.net) by Thursday morning at the latest.