Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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

& Friday 7.30am, 10am & 7.30pm. 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)

5th Sunday of Lent - 18th March 2018

Palm Sunday: Palms will be blessed at all the Masses next weekend. We regret we are unable to have baskets of palms available on Palm Sunday as we have done in previous years. Therefore, it will be necessary to bring your own palms to the church to be blessed on Palm Sunday.

Recent Deaths: We offer sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Michael Duffy, Glenpatrick Park who was buried on Wednesday and Patsy Gallagher, Drumboe who was buried on Saturday. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Months Mind's: The 7.30pm Mass on Wednesday 21st March will be offered for the repose of the soul of Lorraine Anderson, The Beeches.

The 7.30pm Mass on Friday 23rd March will be offered for the repose of the soul of Baby Evanne Donnelly, (daughter of Jamsie & Claire Donnelly), Carricknamana.

The 6pm Mass on Saturday 24th March will be offered for the repose of the soul of Charlie Boyle, Woodlawn.

1st Anniversary: The 10am Mass on Friday 23rd March will be offered for the repose of the soul of Michael Moss, Glenfin St.

Penitential Service: There will be a Penitential Service in preparation for Easter in the church next Sunday 25th March at 7pm.

Ecumenical Prayer Service - Palms to Passion: An Ecumenical Prayer Service for the beginning of Holy Week will take place in St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Stranorlar next Sunday 25th March at 5pm.

Choir Practice: Practice will be held on Wednesday 28th March from 8pm - 9.30pm in the church.

Befriending Service: A meeting will take place in St. Mary's Parish Centre on Tuesday 20th March from 7pm - 8pm for all who expressed interest in getting involved in this service. All welcome.

Annual Concern Spring Sale: The Concern Annual Spring Sale takes place on Saturday 7th April in the Henderson Hall, Stranorlar from 10am - 2pm. Toys, books, household items, bric-a-brac, baby items, small furniture, clothes etc. are all welcome. Electrical items that are not working will not be accepted. Donations of home baking, plants, vegetables, fresh eggs etc. will be gladly accepted. The Hall will be open from 3pm - 9pm on Friday 6th April for depositing items.

Parish Third World Outreach: A sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the copper hunt last October and to all who continue to make contributions through the collection boxes. The copper hunt raised €1,507.00. We are very grateful to everyone who helped us count the coins. The total received through the collection boxes in the church for 2017 was €1025.00 plus £174.00 sterling. This money has been forwarded to Sr. Deirdre Mullan to help fund her educational projects with disadvantaged girls in Africa. Please continue to support this important parish outreach.

Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families:

God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, one family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love. Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care. Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share. This we ask, through Christ our Lord, Amen. Mary, mother and guide, pray for us. Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us. Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us. Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.