

Parish of Stranorlar

Church of Mary Immaculate

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

3rd Sunday of Lent - 24th March 2019

Recent Death: We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Mary (Bim) Coyle, Dumwiley who was buried on Wednesday. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Ist Anniversary: The 7.30pm Mass on Friday 29th March will be offered for the repose of the soul of Josephine McGowan, The Glebe.

Choir Practices: Practice in preparation for Holy Week and Easter will be held on Friday 29th March, Friday 5th April and Friday 12th April at 8pm.

Legion of Mary: Meeting in the old parish centre every Wednesday at 6.15pm. Everyone welcome.

Lent: Each Tuesday of Lent there will be a time of quiet prayer, video presentation and reflection in N0 17, Blackrock Drive from 11 - 12noon and repeated from 7pm - 8pm. All welcome.

Trocaire Boxes: Lenten Trocaire Boxes are available in the porches.

Service of Remembrance: You are warmly invited to the Service of Remembrance (Interdenominational) which is being held for those who have suffered the loss of a baby through Miscarriage, Stillbirth or Neonatal death at Letterkenny University Hospital in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballyraine, Letterkenny this Sunday 24th March at 4pm.

Holy Thursday: We celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper and the Washing of Feet of the Apostles. At this stage we encourage people to volunteer to get their feet washed and to take part in the offertory by bringing the gifts to the altar. If you would like to take part please contact any of the priests after mass over the next two weeks. It would be much appreciated.

Youth Listening Meeting: Bishop Alan Mc Guckian invited young people from all over the diocese to a listening meeting in February. This next meeting will take place in the Pastoral Centre Hall, Letterkenny on Saturday 30th March from 2 - 4.30pm. If you are between the ages of 18-35 you are invited to attend. Please bring a friend. For more information call 0876880545.

Text Alert Scheme: A meeting of the Ballybofey and Stranorlar Text Alert Scheme will take place in Jackson's Hotel on Thursday 28th March at 7.30pm. All members and anyone wishing to join the scheme are encouraged to attend. Members of An Garda Siochana will be in attendance. This is a very important meeting considering the ongoing spate of break-ins taking place.

Quiz Night: Friday 29th March at 7.30pm in Stranorlar Reformed Presbyterian Church. All proceeds go towards Ard Gréine Court, Stranorlar and Maranatha Missions, Romania. Light refreshments provided.

Friends of Kenya Charity Shop: This shop is now open beside MacCumhaill Park and selling ladies, gents and children's clothes, bric a brac, etc.

Reflection:

What I fail to do.

It isn't the things you do,
it's the things you leave undone,
which give you a little heartache
at the setting of the sun.

The gentle words forgotten,
the letter you didn't write;
the flowers you might have sent,
are your haunting ghosts tonight.

The stone you might have lifted
out of your brother's way;
the little heart-felt counsel
you were hurried too much to say.

The tender touch of the hand,
the gentle and kindly tone;
which we have no time or thought for
with troubles enough of our own.