

## ***Parish of Stranorlar*** ***Church of Mary Immaculate***

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

### ***8th Sunday of the Year - 3rd March 2019***

**Recent Death:** We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Brendan McLaughlin, Mulreany Tce who was buried on Thursday. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**Month's Mind:** The 9.30am Mass this Sunday 3rd March will be offered for the repose of the soul of J. J. Reid, Knockfair.

**1st Anniversary:** The 7.30pm Mass on Friday 8th March will be offered for the repose of the soul of Michael Taylor, Chapel Close.

**Parish Groups:** There will be a service for everyone involved in parish groups this Sunday 3rd March at 7pm in the church with refreshment afterwards in St. Mary's Parish Centre. We have great numbers involved in different groups and we hope that you all will be able to come along.

**Temperance Sunday:** The Sunday before Ash Wednesday is always designated as 'Temperance Sunday' when we honour the grace of Temperance, especially as related to the abuse of intoxicating drink. The Raphoe Diocesan Pioneer Council is again this year in keeping with the aim of the Association organising 'the Promotion of Sobriety and Temperance' where a person makes a private pledge to abstain from alcohol during Lent and say a special prayer. **No Thanks for Lent Campaign** cards are available in the porches.

**Ash Wednesday:** Wednesday 6th March is Ash Wednesday and a day of fast and abstinence. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at all the Masses. Please note that the early Mass will be at 7.30am in order to give more people the opportunity to come to Mass for Lent.

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

**Choir Practice:** Practice will be held on Friday 8th March at 8pm.

**Lenten Breakfast:** There will be breakfast after 7.30am Mass on Friday mornings during lent in St. Mary's Parish Centre. Come along for tea and a chat. A small donation would be appreciated. All welcome.

**Lent:** Lent is a time to learn to travel light, to clear the clutter from our crowded lives and find a quiet space to sharpen our awareness of ourselves and our relationship with our God. 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 beginning on Tuesday 12th March. All welcome. For more information contact Sr. Nuala.

**Ministers of the Word for March:** Saturday (Vigil 6pm) - Kathy Taaffe.  
Sunday (8am) - Thomas McMenamin. Sunday (9.30am) - Lornagh Sweeney.  
Sunday (11am) - Bernard Foy.

**St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:** The monthly meeting will be held on Friday 8th March at 7pm in St. Mary's Parish Centre.

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

**Bake Sale:** In preparation for Confirmation the 6th Class pupils of Dooish N.S. & St. Mary's N.S. are hosting a Bake Sale in St. Mary's Parish Centre after each Mass this weekend 2nd & 3rd March. All proceeds will be given to Sr. Deirdre Mullan of the United Nations and will go towards purchasing school uniforms for children in the Nuba Mountains, South Sudan. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**Vintage Car Show:** Donegal Vintage & Classic Car Club in conjunction with Ard Greine Court & Assoc. Services Bus Fund (formerly Sean O' Hare Unit) are holding a Vintage Car show in Harold's Yard this Sunday 3rd March from 12pm to 5pm. Cake sale, raffles and refreshments available. A fun day for all the family. Your support would be greatly appreciated.