

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

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5th Sunday of Easter - 19th May 2019

MASSES: Weekdays - Monday - Saturday 10am

Saturday: - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 8am, 9.30am & 11am

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)

Recent Deaths: We offer sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Dessie O'Donnell, Ard McCarron who was buried on Tuesday and Brid Harrold, Dooish who was buried on Wednesday. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

1st Anniversary: The 6pm Mass on Saturday 25th May will be offered for the repose of the soul of Kathleen Browne, Glenfin St.

First Holy Communion: We congratulate the 26 boys and girls from Dooish N.S., Welchtown N.S. and Robertson N.S. who made their First Holy Communion yesterday. Many people contributed to this ceremony making it a wonderful occasion. We thank all concerned very sincerely.

Prayers for Students: If you or a member of your family would like prayers before and during exams please put their name on the cards available on the table at the right hand side of the altar and then place it in the basket on the altar steps. Daily mass goers will be asked to take a card and pray for that student.

Rosary: A rosary will be recited in the church by the Legion of Mary each evening at 7pm from Monday - Friday during the month of May.

Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage: The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes leaves on Sunday 26th May and returns on Friday 31st May. We pray that this will bring many blessings to all concerned and to our diocese.

Cursillo: The monthly Ultreya will be held in St. Mary's Parish Centre this Sunday 19th May at 8pm.

Open Garden: You are invited to visit the garden of Tony Gallinagh, Backleas, Stranorlar this Sunday 19th May from 2pm - 5pm. All welcome.

St. Mary's N.S. 5K & 1K Walk / Run / Jog: St. Mary's N.S. 5K/ 1K Walk/Run/Jog will be held on Friday 24th May at 7.30pm. Registration from 5.30pm - 7pm in St. Mary's Parish Centre. Entry fees are €6 for adults & €3 for children. Family discount - €8 for 1 adult & 1 child. Light refreshments will be served afterwards in St. Mary's Parish Centre. Medals for all children for the 1k. Your support would be appreciated.

Ballybofey, Stranorlar & District Historical Society: The Annual General Meeting of the Society will take place on Monday 27 May at 7.30 pm in the Henderson Hall, Stranorlar. The talk at 8 pm by Pearl Hutchinson will be titled "The Merry Wives of Lord Lifford". Annual membership of €10 is due on the night. Everyone welcome.

Bealtaine at Twin Towns Library: "Makey Uppers" - An interactive performance of storytelling and craic on Thursday 30th May at 10.30am. "A long Farewell" - **reminiscence sessions** - join Caroline Carr, assistant curator Donegal Museum as she explores the story of emigration of Donegal women between 1845 and 1950 on Friday 31st May at 11am. These events are free and for more information or to book your place contact 9175384.

Pilgrimage to Matt Talbot's Shrine: The annual Pioneer Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 2nd June. The bus leaves the church car park at 8am sharp. The total cost including dinner and tea is €50. To book contact Brid Toner on 087 1200242.

Student's Prayer

O, Holy Spirit, shower upon me the choicest gifts of wisdom, understanding and knowledge. Enlighten my mind and inspire me to work hard so that I may be successful in my examinations. Guide and direct me in all my undertakings and help me to especially discover my true vocation in life. Take away my fears and teach me always to live in your light, your love and your truth. I make this prayer through Christ Our Lord, Amen.