

# *Parish of Stranorlar*

## *Church of Mary Immaculate*

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### *1st Sunday of Advent - 1st December 2019*

**MASSES:** Weekdays - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 10am. Friday 10am & 7.30pm

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

**CONFESSIONS:** Thursday 7pm - 7.30pm  
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)

**Quiet Hour of Prayer & Adoration:** There will be an hour of quiet prayer and adoration in the church this Sunday evening at 7pm.

**Month's Mind:** The 7.30pm Mass on Friday 6th December will be offered for the repose of the soul of Thomas Gallagher, Ash Meadows.

**Eucharist Adoration:** There will be a meeting in St. Mary's Parish Centre on Monday 2nd December at 8pm.

**Filipino Mass:** The annual Filipino Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 8th December at 11am. Everyone welcome.

**St. Vincent de Paul:** St. Vincent de Paul Christmas annual appeal collection will take place each weekend until Christmas. Your help would be very much appreciated. Any family requesting help please phone 087 9955351.

**Choir Practices for December:** Practices will be held on Friday 6th, Friday 13th and Friday 20th December at 8pm.

**Advent Calendars are available in the porches this weekend.**

**Ordination to Priesthood:** Martin Connolly, Chapel St, Stranorlar will be ordained to the priesthood on Sunday 15th December in Rome. Let us all keep Martin in our prayers during these days.

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception:** The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is a Holiday of Obligation and it will be celebrated this year on Monday 9th December. Masses will be at 10am & 7.30pm.

**Concern Bazaar:** The Concern Bazaar will take place this year on Sunday 8th December in the Villa Rose Hotel at 3pm. All monies raised will go to Concern for their work with some of the poorest people in the world.

**Community Carol Service:** The annual Carol Service will take place next Sunday 8th December at 7pm in the Presbyterian Church, Letterkenny Rd, Stranorlar. We encourage as many as possible to go along and join with our brothers and sisters from the other churches.

**Advent / Christmas Remembrance Tree:** The Community of Ballybofey & Stranorlar wish to remember in their prayers those who will not be able to make it home for Christmas. A tree will be placed in the church where people can write the name of those they would like to remember on a card and place it on the tree. Cards will be provided.

**Twin Towns Social Services & Care of the Aged:** The Senior Citizens Christmas Party will take place this Sunday 1st December in The Villa Rose Hotel at 1pm. To book contact Patsy 9131102 or Ethna 9131262.

**Light up a Memory:** This 'Light up a Memory' ceremony will be held on Thursday 5th December at 6.30pm in St. Joseph's Hospital, Stranorlar. To sponsor a light on the tree the cost is €5 and sponsor cards are available in the local shops and from Barnes View Ward, St. Joseph's Hospital. Proceeds in aid of St. Joseph's Hospital Patient Comfort Fund.

**Christmas Guest Tea & Festive Draw:** Tickets are now on sale for the festive draw which is part of the Christmas guest tea. Tickets are €2 per strip or 3 strips for €5. If you would like to support the 2 beneficiaries - St. Mary's N. S. & Donegal Down Syndrome, then check out the Facebook page 'christmas guest tea and festive draw' or Anne-Marie Foy for more details. Anyone who wishes to buy tickets for the draw, Anne-Marie will be selling in the front hallway of St. Mary's N. S. on Friday 6th December from 2-3pm.

**All Night Vigil, Knock:** An All Night Vigil will take place in Knock on Saturday 7th December starting at 12 midnight and finishing with concelebrated Mass at 4am. A bus will leave Letterkenny at 6.30pm via Stranorlar. To book a seat contact Michael on 087 2922499. Bring a packed lunch.