Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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3rd Sunday of the Year - 26th January 2020

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

Weekdays - Monday - 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)

Low Gluten Hosts: Those wishing to receive low gluten hosts may do so by receiving from the priest. He will have a separate Ciborium with low gluten hosts in it. Anybody who would still like to receive from the chalice alongside the Eucharistic ministers are very welcome to do so.

1st Anniversary The 6pm Mass on Saturday 1st February will be offered for the repose of the soul of Ann Bonner, Cappry Lane, Ballybofey.

St. Brigid's Night: The celebration of St. Brigid's Feast with the making of crosses will take place in St. Mary's Parish Centre this Sunday 26th January at 7pm. Everyone welcome. We hope it will be an enjoyable occasion and we invite young and old to come along.

Presentation of the Lord: Sunday 2nd February is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Candles will be blessed at all Masses. Candles will be on sale in the porches this weekend and next weekend 1st & 2nd February. The candles will cost €5 for a packet of six.

Envelope Boxes for 2020: The Sunday Collection Envelopes have now been distributed. If you did not receive a box and would like one, please call to the sacristy after any of the Masses.

St. Mary's N.S.: Enrolment is now taking place in Scoil Mhuire B & C, Stranorlar for pupils beginning school in September 2020. A copy of the Enrolment Form is available in the school office. PPS number, birth certificates and baptismal certificates (where applicable) are required. Anyone wishing to enrol their child in the Special Classes for Autism is asked to arrange a meeting with the principal. Phone 9131877 for more information.

Dooish N.S.: Enrolment Application Forms are now available for Junior Infants & Special Class for Pupils with Autism ~ Abbey Class for the coming school year 2020/2021. Closing Date for First Round Consideration is 18th February. Contact the school on 9131471 or dooish@hotmail.com

Save St. Joseph's: Save Our St. Joseph's Hospital Action Group Committee wishes to invite you to a public meeting to be held on Sunday 2 nd February at 3pm in The Villa Rose Hotel to discuss the ongoing uncertainty around the future of long term residential beds, dementia beds, short stay medical assessment beds and other concerns in St. Joseph's Hospital, Stranorlar.

The Ballybofey & Stranorlar Historical Society: The next meeting of the society takes place in the Henderson Hall on Monday 27th January at 7.30pm. The guest speaker is Dr Niamh Brennan, County Archivist. She is bringing 20 artefacts for all to see and a discussion of these items will follow. Also, please note membership is now due for 2020. This is only €10 and this price has not gone up in years. Hoping to see a good turnout at this meeting. All welcome.

Medjugorje Afternoon: Medjugorje Afternoon of Prayer, Song and Testimonies will be held in the Mt Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny on Sunday 2nd February at 2.30pm. Testimonies by two Donegal Priests and talks also by guides from Medjugorje. The afternoon will conclude with Mass in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Letterkenny. Everyone welcome.

Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima: 14th July for 7 nights with Spiritual Director - Fr James Sweeney. Direct flights from Dublin to Lisbon, 7 nights accommodation, full board - breakfast, lunch and dinner, complimentary travel insurance, free bus from Letterkenny and guided tours with opportunity to visit the birthplace of St. Anthony. The cost per person sharing is €769.00. Single room supplement of €25.00 per night. For further details contact Parochial House, Frosses on 9736006 or Mena McBride on 9121748.

Irish Catholic: The Irish Catholic Paper is available in the porches every weekend. The price is €2. We encourage you to buy this paper. If you want to make sure you get one every week please give in your name in the sacristy as some people have already done.