

Parish of Stranorlar

Church of Mary Immaculate

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23rd Sunday of the Year - 6th September 2020

MASSES: Weekdays - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday
10am. Thursday & Friday 10am & 7.30pm
Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am

ADORATION: Thursday 10.30am - 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 12 - 1pm & 5.15pm - 5.45pm

BAPTISMS: Every Sunday & 1st Saturday of every Month.
(Please give two weeks notice) Contact the Parish Office on 9131135
Mondays, Tuesdays or Fridays between 10am –12.30pm to book.

Recent Deaths: We offer sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Shonagh Malley, 12, Barnes Court, Ballybofey who was buried on Tuesday and George Lynch, Woodlawn who was buried on Friday. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

1st Anniversary: The 10am Mass on Saturday 12th September will be offered for the repose of the soul of Peter (Junior) Walsh, Donegal Rd.

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

Meals on Wheels: Meals On Wheels for the residents of Killygordon and Ballybofey & Stranorlar are trying to recruit volunteers to deliver meals three times a week, about every 6 - 8 weeks. It takes about an hour per day. Meals are collected at St Joseph's Hospital and delivered to clients homes. If you could commit to sparing an hour three day a week on a rota basis please contact The Base on 074 91 90909

Hospice Coffee Morning: A drive - thru coffee morning will be held at the premises of Mrs Hazel Kee, Backleas, Stranorlar on Thursday 10th September from 10am - 2pm in memory of the late Ailish Gallinagh. Social distancing to be observed. Your support for this worthy cause would be greatly appreciated. All welcome.

Church Cleaning: With such an emphasis on safety, church cleaning is very important. We would like to thank all those who have been cleaning the church so far. The church is cleaned twice a day. If anyone would like to give a little of your time to help with the cleaning it would be very much appreciated.

Sean MacCumhails GAA Club Bingo: Car Bingo in Navenny Street car park this Sunday 6th September at 3pm. €1,400 in prizes.

Reflection - Harden not your heart

*'O that today you would listen to his voice.
Harden not your hearts.'*

*From a spiritual point of view, hardness of heart
is one of the worst things that can happen to anyone.*

To adopt a hard-hearted attitude is to maim oneself.

A hard heart can't feel, can't respond, can't love.

A hard heart can't experience joy.

A hard heart is a closed heart.

A hard heart is a barren heart.

A soft heart, on the other hand, is a blessing.

A soft heart can receive and can respond.

It can be saddened but it can also be deliriously happy.

Softened by the rain of God's grace,

and warmed by the sun of his love,

the human heart can be turned from a desert in a garden.