

Parish of Stranorlar

Church of Mary Immaculate

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Christ the King - 22nd November 2020

MASSES: Weekdays: Monday - Friday 10am & 7.30pm Saturday 10am.
Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) & Sunday - 11am. **All masses can be viewed on our live streaming - churchservices.tv/stranorlar**

ADORATION: No adoration due to Level 5 restrictions.

CONFESSIONS: No confessions due to Level 5 restrictions.

BAPTISMS: No Baptisms due to Level 5 restrictions.

Private Prayer: The church is open for private prayer each day from 10.30am until 6.30pm.

Recent Deaths: We offer sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Martin Wright, Navenny and Jim Tobin, Aisling Court who were buried during the week. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Parish Envelopes: We are very disappointed that our churches have to stay closed for masses because of the Level 5 restrictions. None of us can predict the future. Some parishioners have begun to hand in their envelopes to Fr Kieran or Fr Anthony and this is very much appreciated. If you would be able to contribute the way you did during the first lockdown it would be great. Your loyalty and generosity is appreciated.

November Novena: The novena of Masses for the Holy Souls continues this week until Friday 27th November at 7.30pm each evening. November is traditionally a time of remembrance for all who have died, and it is fitting that we devote this last evening of the novena to the memory of parishioners who died over the past year. The candle, bearing the name of your loved one, will be carried to the altar by a member of the Liturgy Organising Group. These candles will be available on a table at the front of the church for several days after the mass and you may pick up your loved one's candle at any time during the day when the church is open. We hope you can join us on-line for this special Mass. We are a people of hope, and we pray that next year we will all be able to be there in person to remember the recently bereaved in our parish.

Festive Hamper Draw: Anne-Marie Foy's Festive hamper draw will take place on Facebook live on Friday 11th December from 6pm -8pm. If you wish to make a contribution go to the Facebook page [christmasguestteaandfestivedraw](https://www.facebook.com/christmasguestteaandfestivedraw) to have a look at the list. There is also a PayPal option on hamperdraw@icloud.com where you can make a contribution in lieu of items and Anne-Marie can buy the items and it keeps people safe and adheres to social distancing guidelines or contact Anne-Marie directly. This year's beneficiaries are St. Mary's N. S., Stranorlar and Letterkenny CDP.

St Elizabeth Convent, Belarus: As you may be aware, Sisters from the St. Elisabeth Convent (Minsk, Belarus) are unable to participate in annual Christmas markets in our region due to travel restrictions. Nevertheless they have found a great way to spread the Christmas joy, love and deeds of mercy. They are launching the very first Online Christmas Market this year, so that people from all over the world can purchase Christmas presents and souvenirs of unique handmade items. Check the following link to participate: <https://catalog.obitel-minsk.com/christmas-market> Through purchasing beautiful Christmas gifts each one of us will be able to serve the poor, sick, homeless and lonely people. Because every item purchased at the Online Market is a donation towards one of the Convent's ministries.