

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

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**3rd Sunday of Advent - 13th December 2020**

**MASSSES:** Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 10am.  
Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) & Sunday - 9am & 11am. **All masses can be viewed on our live streaming - [churchservices.tv/stranorlar](http://churchservices.tv/stranorlar)**

**ADORATION:** No adoration.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday - 12 - 1pm & 5.15pm - 5.45pm and also each morning this coming week at 10.30am after daily Mass.

**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.

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

**1st Anniversaries:** The 10am Mass on Tuesday 15th December will be offered for the repose of the soul of Betty Henderson, Chapel Close.

The 6pm Mass on Saturday 19th December will be offered for the repose of the soul of Colm Duffy, Glebe Hollow.

**Month's Mind:** The 10am Mass on Thursday 17th December will be offered for the repose of the soul of Jim Tobin, Aisling Court.

**Fr James Byrne:** Fr James's sudden death has saddened all of us. He came to us 6 years ago from Australia and got to know so many of us through his outgoing and welcoming personality and how he loved to sing. It was so fitting that he celebrated the 10am Mass on Friday morning just an hour before his death. We offer our sincere sympathy to all his family in Australia, to his devoted housekeeper Janina and to his wide circle of friends. May Fr James now rest in peace.

**Christmas Masses:**

**Thursday 24th December (Christmas Eve)** - 10am, 6pm, 8pm & 10pm.

**Friday 25th December (Christmas Day)** 8am, 10am & 12 noon.

Church attendance for all above masses will be limited to 100 people. It is hoped that the extra masses will be helpful for those wishing to attend. For people /families viewing online - should they wish to receive Holy Communion - it will be distributed after all masses within ½ hour of the end of the mass. We hope that many will be able to avail of this arrangement. It is not necessary to book a seat for any of these Christmas masses. We are so restricted that we urge everyone to take personal responsibility as safety has always to be the priority. Due to Covid restrictions face masks must be worn in the church and Holy Communion received in the hand only. **All Christmas masses can be viewed on our live streaming - [churchservices.tv/stranorlar](http://churchservices.tv/stranorlar)**

**Envelope Boxes 2021:** The Sunday Collection Envelopes for 2021 are now ready. We ask all the usual distributors again to go to St. Mary's Parish Centre after any of the Masses this weekend to collect the boxes for their area. We thank you for your help in the past and ask you once again to do the necessary.

**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 ring 087 9955351.

*The coming of Christ is a message of joy - A joy founded and rooted in God's love and care for his people, and his promise of an eternal companionship.*