

Parish of Stranorlar
Church of Mary Immaculate

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2nd Sunday of Christmas - 2nd January 2022

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

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

ADORATION: Thursday - 10.30am - 7.30pm

BAPTISMS: Every Sunday - 12 noon & 1st Saturday of every month.
To book contact the Parish Office on 9131135 on Mondays, Tuesdays
or Fridays between 10am - 12.30pm. (Please give two weeks notice)

Thursday 6th January is the Feast of the Epiphany. Masses will be at 10am & 7.30pm.

Recent Death: We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Mary Thompson, Millbrae who was buried last Sunday. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Baptisms: The following children were received into the Christian community of Stranorlar recently - Anthony John Loughman, Cáitíe Leigh Cassidy, Claire Marie Gallagher, Laura Ann Gallagher, Ciara Yong, Millie Mae Griffin, Peadar Martin Burke, Kayla Brid Furey, Antonia Lucy Geraghty Hayes, Ella Grace Patton, Corey James Cole, A. J. Blake and Emily Rose O'Donnell.

Thanks: At the start of 2022 we have much to be thankful for here in the Parish of Stranorlar for 2021 despite the restrictive year that it was. A sincere thanks to the many committed people who give of their time and talents to plan and organise. Many people put a lot of effort into parish ministries. The church is looking very well and this is due to the hard work of the Cleaners, Sanitisers, Church Indoor & Outdoor Environment Groups, Altar Society and those who erected the Christmas Trees, the Indoor Crib and the Men's Shed for the Outdoor Crib. The Parish Pastoral Council, Liturgy Group, Choir Members, Eucharistic Adoration Committee, Building & Maintenance Committee, Graveyard Committee, Ministers of the Word & Eucharist, Sacristan, Money Counting Team, Distributors of Envelopes, Finance Committee, Social Services & Care of the Aged Group, Foreign National Support Group and the Third World Group all continue to give great service. The St. Vincent de Paul, Legion of Mary, P.T.A.A. and St. Joseph's Young Priests Society continue to provide a very important pastoral outreach. The Fund-raising and Parish Centre Committees have put in an enormous amount of work to keep the Centre running so efficiently.

Finally, on behalf of Fr Kieran and Fr Anthony thanks to you, the people of the parish for all your prayerful, financial and helpful support over the past year.

Reflection A prayer for the New Year

*Lord, in this new year which we have begun,
may we have enough happiness to keep us agreeable,
enough trials to keep us strong.
enough sorrow to keep us human,
enough freedom to keep us happy,
enough failure to keep us humble,
enough success to keep us eager,
enough wealth to meet our needs,
enough faith to banish depression,
enough hope to look forward,
enough love to give us comfort,
and enough determination to keep going.*

At the start of this New Year we ask God to bless you and your families during the coming year.