

*Parish of Stranorlar*  
*Church of Mary Immaculate*

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**Baptism of the Lord - 9th January 2022**

**MASSES:** Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am  
Weekdays - Monday - Saturday 10am.

**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)

**Recent Deaths:** We offer our sincere sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Norman O'Haire, Blue Cedars who was buried on Wednesday and Denis Bonnar, Drumboe Lower who died on Thursday. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**Months Mind's:** The 10am Mass on Friday 14th January will be offered for the repose of the soul of Marie McAteer, Hilltop Crescent.

The 6pm Mass on Saturday 15th January will be offered for the repose of the soul of James Magee, Cappry.

**1st Anniversary:** The 6pm Mass on Saturday 15th January will be offered for the repose of the soul of Damien Lafferty, Ard McCool.

**Visitation of the Sick:** Unfortunately, due to the rising numbers of Covid 19 there will be no visitation of the sick for January.

**Ministers of the Word for January:**  
Saturday 6pm - Vigil - Jimmy Phair.  
Sunday 9am - Donal Bonner.  
Sunday 11am - Jonathan Kelly.

**Ministers of the Eucharist for January:**  
Saturday 6pm - Ann McGloin.  
Sunday 9am - Laurence Devenney.  
Sunday 11am - Donal Sweeney.

**Parish Envelopes 2022:** A sincere 'Thank You' to all of you who contributed financially to our parish during 2021. Your loyalty and generosity is very much appreciated. Due to the uncertainty surrounding the Covid 19 pandemic this is a good time to consider setting up a standing order. Some people are already doing this and find it very convenient. In today's world it would be very beneficial if more people would set up a standing order. If you would like to do this please use **your name only and not your envelope number** as envelope numbers can change and it is quite possible that you will not get the same envelope number every year. All you need to do is take the following details to your bank and they will set up the standing order for you -

St Mary's Parochial Account No 1

IBAN - IE66 BOFI 9047 1280 5060 43

BIC - BOFIE2D

**Reflection -**

**Baptism**

*Baptism was not over and done with  
the day we were taken to the font.*

*We are baptised by all that happens to us in life.  
We are baptised by hardship; in its turbulent waters*

*we are purified by all that is false and useless.  
We are baptised by suffering; in its murky waters  
we grow in humility and compassion.*

*We are baptised by joy; in its gurgling waters  
we experience the goodness of life.*

*We are baptised by love: in its singing waters  
we blossom like flowers in the sun.*

*Baptism is like the planting of a seed.  
It will take a lifetime for this seed to grow and ripen.*