## Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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## 3rd Sunday of Lent - 20th March 2022

MASSES: Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am

Weekdays - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 7.30am & 10am.

Friday 7.30am, 10am & 7.30pm. 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)

Friday 25th March is the Annunciation of the Lord.

**Choir Practice:** Practice on Friday 25th March at 8pm.

**Recent Deaths:** We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Kathleen Browne, Mullindrait, Stranorlar who died during the week. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**1st Anniversary:** The 10am Mass on Tuesday 22nd March will be offered for the repose of the soul of Rita Markey, Blackrock Drive.

**Memorial Mass:** The 7.30pm Mass on Friday 25th March will be offered for the repose of the soul of Daniel Doherty, son of Kathleen Doherty and the late Danny Doherty, Admiran Park who died in London last August.

**Holy Hour:** This Sunday from 7pm - 8pm in the church. This week there will be special prayers for the people of Ukraine and we invite as many as possible to come along.

**Rosary during Lent:** The Legion of Mary will recite the Rosary and Legion Prayers during Lent in St. Mary's Parish Centre every Wednesday at 6.15pm. Everyone welcome.

'No Greater Love': We continue with the 3rd session of this programme on Thursday 24th March in St. Mary's Parish Centre from 8pm - 9.30pm. If you did not start yet you are still welcome to join. 'No Greater Love' is a Lenten programme, based on a series of short films shot on location in the Holy Land. At each session there will be the opportunity to pray and talk together.

Lough Derg Pilgrim Path Day: You are invited to join the Prior and his team for a guided walk on the lakeshore Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on Easter Monday 18th April to celebrate Pilgrim Path Week. Registration essential. Donations welcome. For further information contact the Lough Derg Office on 071 9861518, or info@loughderg.org or www.loughderg.org. Pilgrimage season re-opens on Sunday 1st May 2022.

Trocaire Boxes: Lenten Trocaire Boxes are available in the porches.

**Social Housing Vacancy:** Mary Immaculate Conference Stranorlar currently have 1 one-bedroom vacancy at St Vincent's Close, Ballybofey. If you are aged 55 years or older and in current need of permanent accommodation, please contact Lisa at NW Regional Office for more information and an application form, Tel: 086 138 6386/074 9173933. Closing date for applications will be Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

Special Collection for Ukraine: The Irish Bishops have asked for a Special Collection to be taken up at Masses on the weekend of 26th /27th March to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and especially the families and children who have had to flee their homeland in advance of the Russian invasion. The proceeds of this Special Collection will be directed to Caritas Internationalis, which is the helping hand of the Church on the ground in the Ukraine and the surrounding region. Please be as generous as you can.

## Prayer for the People of Ukraine:

Loving God,
we pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength, and wisdom to guide their choices.
We pray for the world: that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.

Amen.