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6th Sunday of Easter - 22nd May 2022

MASSES: Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am Weekdays - Monday—Friday 10am Saturday 9.30am

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 Fridays between 10am – 12.30pm. (Please give two weeks notice) The Baptism Teams are available to visit families again.

Recent Death: We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Margaret O'Brien, Donegal Rd who will be buried after the 11am Mass on Sunday. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Month's Mind: The 6pm Mass on Saturday 28th May will be offered for the repose of the soul of Charlie Harper, Dunwiley.

Blessing of Graves – Sunday 5th June: These services will take place in Drumboe Graveyard at 6pm and in Stranorlar Graveyard at 7.15pm. A one-way traffic system will be in place for Drumboe Graveyard again this year entering at Drumboe Ave. This hopefully will avoid traffic jams. To enable the smooth running of car parking etc. at Drumboe Graveyard the Graveyard Committee would like to hear from anyone who can offer their assistance with car parking and the gate collections. Anyone interested in helping out please contact any of the priests or the Graveyard Committee. Your help would be very much appreciated.

First Holy Communion 2022: We congratulate the boys and girls from Dooish N.S., Robertson N.S and Welchtown N.S who made their First Communion yesterday. Many people contributed to this ceremony making it a wonderful occasion. We thank all concerned very sincerely.

Meditating with Mary in the month of May: This is the final week of the programme which provides an opportunity to come together to mediate on three joyful moments in the life of Mary; the Annunciation and the Visitation and the Magnificat. Reflecting on a selected number of texts, there will be an opportunity to understand more deeply Mary, as the model of discipleship for the Church. This programme offers an opportunity to reflect on the Scriptures and pray together. It will be held on Thursday 26th May in St. Mary's Parish Centre from 7.30pm - 8.15pm. Everyone welcome.

Pray for Life Novena: This Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Monday 23rd May to the Feast of the Visitation on 31st May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit <u>www.prayforlife.ie</u> for the daily novena prayers. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. The Pray for Life website will be live this coming weekend.

St. Mary's NS: Photographic Exhibition: – To mark the move to the new school in June, the Parent's Association is inviting members of the public, former students and staff of St. Mary's NS Stranorlar to dig out those old photos of events and classes from the 'old' school and display them for one weekend only in June. Venue: Parish Centre, Stranorlar. Set up time: from 2pm on Saturday 4th June. Exhibition Opening Times: After 6pm Mass on Saturday 4th June and after 9am Mass and 11am Masses on Sunday. Refreshments available, come along to exhibit your photos and view others' photographs. Please note that all exhibitors are responsible for their own photos. Please ensure name and contact details are displayed on back of each photo/ album. Display pegs etc will be available for exhibitors

Student's Prayer

O, Holy Spirit, shower upon me the choicest gifts of wisdom, understanding and knowledge. Enlighten my mind and inspire me to work hard so that I may be successful in my examinations. Guide and direct me in all my undertakings and help me to especially discover my true vocation in life. Take away my fears and teach me always to live in your light, your love and your truth. I make this prayer through Christ Our Lord, Amen.