

Parish of Stranorlar

Church of Mary Immaculate

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 18th September 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 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 James Murray, Ard Mc Carron, Ballybofey, who was buried on Friday. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Adoration Chapel: During the past couple of years big changes have taken place everywhere including in our church. Gradually things are improving which is wonderful to see. One of the things we would like to see happen again as in the past is the adoration chapel being used during mass by families with little children.

Annual Church Gate Collection For Concern: This Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th September at all masses. All donations gratefully accepted. Thank you for your continued support over the years.

Legion of Mary: Annual Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on the 25th of September. Bus leaves church car park at 8am. To book call Bridget on 087 6491923 or Anne on 087 2710621. Cost Adults €20 under 18 €10

Prayers for Families: This will take place in the chapel on Wednesday 21st & every Wednesdays, beginning at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Parish Pastoral Council: The Raphoe Diocese is beginning a process of training pastoral councils in all parishes in the Diocese. Bishop Alan McGuckian is very anxious that this comes about in conjunction with a Diocesan Pastoral plan and the Synodal process. This can be a great opportunity for us here in Stranorlar Parish to renew our own P.P.C. We have had pastoral councils for many years and they have served us well. A sincere word of thanks to all those who gave up their time and talents on the council over the years. A training programme of 3 evenings will be taking place for those who are interested. This will take place in the Clanree Hotel in Letterkenny on Thursday 22nd Sept, Thursday 6th Oct and Thursday 20th October at 7pm. The past two and half years have been very difficult and it has affected parish life greatly. I hope and pray that we can move forward together with renewed energy. If you need more information don't hesitate to contact Fr. Kieran.

Padre Pio Triduum: A Triduum in preparation for the Feast of St. Padre Pio will take place at the Franciscan Friary, Rossnowlagh from Tuesday 20th September to Friday 23rd September. There will be mass, Homily and Blessing with his Mitten at 7.30pm each evening. Preacher will be Fr. Pius Mc Laughlin, OFM who met Padre Pio. Everyone welcome for these prayerful celebrations

SMA Novena 2022: In honour of St. Thérèse Of the Child Jesus, Patroness of the Missions Friday 23rd September to Saturday 1st October, Daily Mass & Novena Prayers at 10.00am & 7.30pm SMA Chapel Dromantine. All Welcome. Also, via webcam (www.sma.ie) African Missions, Dromantine, Newry, BT34 1RH

Choir practice: Practice resumes for the Sunday Choir on Friday 23rd of Sept at 8pm in the church. We would be delighted to welcome new members. Choir members give of their time in service of enhancing the Liturgy. They love singing together, there is lots of laughter, fun and friendship. If you are interested please come along on Friday 23rd or e-mail nualamullin27@gmail.com

Mary Meals: A Car Treasure Hunt in aid of Mary's Meals will take place on Saturday 23rd of Sept at 6.30pm sharp from the old Parish Centre. Registration from 5.30pm Vouchers for first 2 cars home. Refreshments afterwards. €5 each or €20 per car. Everyone welcome.

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland: A walk in Drumboe Woods will take place this Sunday the 18th at 11:30am, refreshments will be provided after the walk in our Ballybofey Premises. Everyone is welcome to take part.

Lough Derg: One Day Retreats to the end of September: Sept 18, 24 & 25 Booking is essential. Adm. €45pp includes refreshments, lunch, return boat service, full retreat programme, free car & coach parking. Boats available from 9.15am on the day. Retreat begins at 10.30am until 4.30pm