Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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1st Sunday of Advent 27th November 2022

MASSES: Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am Weekdays Monday - Thursday 10am Friday 10am & 7.30pm Saturday 10am

CONFESSIONS: Friday 7pm, 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 Deaths: We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Liam Crown, Midcut, Drumkeen who's funeral took place on Sunday, Catherine Doyle, St. Joseph Hospital, Stranorlar who's funeral took place on Monday, Sadie Sweeny, 16 Cois na Finn, Ballybofey who's funeral took place on Thursday, Josephine Doherty, St. Vincent's Close, Ballybofey who's funeral took place on Thursday & Annie Kelly, Glebe Hollow, Stranorlar, who's funeral took place on Friday. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

1st Anniversary: The 7.30 mass on Friday 2nd December will be offered for the repose of the soul of Pauline Hynes, Donegal Road and the 10am mass on Saturday 3rd December will be offered for the repose of Marie Doherty, Corraine, Ballybofey.

Choir practices: Choir practices will be held on Friday 2nd, 9th, 16th & Wednesday 21st of December at 8pm in the church. All welcome

Ministers of the Word for Dec: Saturday 6pm - Roisin Mc Nulty. Sunday 9am - Eamon Mc Ginley. Sunday 11am - Jonathan Kelly.

Minister of the Eucharists for Dec: Saturday 6pm - Ann Mc Gloin & Brian Mc Ginley. Sunday 9am - Bernard Walsh & Evelyn Gildea. Sunday 11am - Leon Mc Granaghan & Nora Mc Glynn. Christmas Eve: 6pm Ann Mc Gloin & Ann Marie Sweeney. 10pm Breda Mc Connell & Brian Mc Ginley.

Parish Draw: Our Parish Draw took place last Sunday 20th November. The Prize winners were - \notin 500 - Jamsie Donnelly, Carricknamana, Killygordon. \notin 500 - Michael Mc Cormick, Cappry. \notin 1000 - Thomas & Bernadette Doherty, Woodlawn. \notin 1000 - Philomena Murphy, Ard Mc Cool. \notin 1000 -Helen Donnelly, Chapel Close. We would like to thank very sincerely all those who supported the draw and helped make it a success. A special word of appreciation to the organising committee.

St. Vincent de Paul: The annual Christmas appeal collection will take place each weekend until Christmas. Your help would be very much appreciated. Any family requesting help please ring 087 9955351.

Support Group for Dementia: You are very welcome to join our Support Group which is held on the last Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting will take place this Tuesday 29th Nov at 7.30pm in Dunfril House, Chestnut Rd, Ballybofey. For further information please contact Dawn Thompson on 0873802957 <u>dawn.thompson@alzheimer.ie</u> or Mena Mc Gill on 0876294065 <u>mena.mcgill@alzheimer.ie</u>

Finn Valley Family Resource Centre: We are holding our annual Christmas Appeal on Sunday 4th December at the switching on of the Finn Valley Christmas Lights with a bucket collection or donations can be given in the Finn Valley FRC, Drumboe Avenue. Many thanks for your support.

Raphoe Diocesan Safeguarding: The Autumn Newsletter from the Raphoe Diocesan Safeguarding Committee is available on all the Notice Boards. The Diocese of Raphoe has invited the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church to review current practice in the Diocese and you are invited to contribute. Details on how to do so are contained in that Newsletter.

St. Mary's Church of Ireland: The Christmas Tree Festival will commence on Friday 2nd December with a Concert starting at 8pm, featuring The Donegal Abbey Singers, The Finn Valley's Men's Choir & Local artists. Admission €10. Everyone welcome. The Christmas tree viewing is on Saturday 3rd from 12noon to 6pm & Sunday 4th from 2pm to 5.30pm followed by A Community Carol Service at 6pm. Raffle in aid of the Donegal Hospice & Donegal Alzheimer's Society.