

Parish of Stranorlar

Church of Mary Immaculate

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1st Sunday of Lent 26th February 2023

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

CONFESSIONS: Thursday 7pm - 7.30pm
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.

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

Ministers of the Word for March & St. Patrick's Day: Saturday 6pm - Kathy Taaffe & St Patrick's Eve. Sunday 9am - Catherine Gillooley. Sunday 11am - Helen Kelly .

Ministers of the Eucharists for March & St. Patrick's Day: Saturday 6pm - Mary O'Connor & Ann Mc Gloin . Sunday 9am - Lawrence Devenny & Bernard Walsh. Sunday 11am - Nora Mc Glynn & Donal Sweeney .

Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023: The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023 will depart from The City of Derry Airport on Tuesday 23rd May 2023 for 5 nights. The Pilgrimage will be led by Most Reverend Bishop Alan Mc Guckian, SJ, with Pilgrimage Director, Fr Stephen Gorman. The cost of the Pilgrimage is €879, fully inclusive. To book please contact Joe Walsh Tours DIRECTLY on 01 2410800.

What are you doing for Lent? We are excited to launch a Lenten Programme in our parish for Lent called *Sycamore*. Sycamore is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. It gives you space to meet people and share ideas. Each session involves a short film and time for discussion. You are invited to join us in the Parish Centre from 8pm to 9pm for the five Thursdays of March (2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th) for a short film, conversation and food for thought. We hope you can join us.

ACCORD: We would be delighted to hear from you if you're interested in becoming an Accord Marriage Preparation facilitator. Contact marriagepreparation@accord.ie for information on recruitment and training

Support Group for Family Carers of People Living with Dementia: Are you caring for a loved one who has a diagnosis of Dementia? Are you a past carer for a loved one who is currently in long term care? You are very welcome to join our Support Group which is held on the last Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting takes place on Tuesday 28th February 7.30pm at: The Alzheimer's Society of Ireland, Dunfril House, Chestnut Rd, Ballybofey, F93 PY98. For further information please contact a member of the Dementia Adviser team: Dawn Thompson 087 3802957 dawn.thompson@alzheimier.ie Mena McGill 087 6294065 mena.mcgill@alzheimier.ie

Ballybofey Stranorlar and District Historical Society: is holding their monthly meeting in the Henderson Hall Stranorlar on Monday 27th February at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Lough Derg: is recruiting a range of roles for extra staff during their Pilgrimage and Retreat Season in 2023. The Application Pack is available on www.loughderg.org/jobs or please email: hr@loughderg.org or Phone: 071 98 61518. Closing Date Friday 3rd March at 3 pm.

World Day of Prayer: On the first Friday of March every year people from more than 170 Countries meet and pray for each other. Our local service this year will be in St.Mary's Church, Sessiaghoneill on Friday 3rd March at 8.00 pm. The service will last approximately half an hour. Refreshments afterwards in Sessiaghoneill School. Everyone is very welcome.

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Each day has its own temptations towards evil. Christ himself was tempted away from good and from what he knew was best in life. As the angels looked after him in his temptation, so he and his saints look after us in ours.