## Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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## 3rd Sunday after Easter 23rd April 2023

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 our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Johnny Patton, Glebe Hollow, Stranorlar, who's funeral takes place today Sunday. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace

**Planet Youth:** The youth club are hosting a Bake Sale at the Old St. Mary's Parish Centre after each Mass on the weekend 22nd & 23rd April. All proceeds are for the benefit of young people from the Twin Towns and surrounding areas. Your support would be much appreciated.

**Prayers for Families:** will continue every Monday in the chapel at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us in an hour of prayer for our families and for all families in our parish, in our country and in the world.

**Ballybofey Stranorlar and District Historical Society:** are holding their monthly meeting in the Henderson Hall Stranorlar on Monday 24th April at 730pm. All welcome.

**Fr. Kevin O' Hara**: Fr Kevin is a native of Main St, Stranorlar, and has been working as a missionary in African for over 40 years. He has been involved in projects to better the lives of very poor people. Some of these projects have made a huge difference but they need ongoing funding. Fr. Kevin is currently on a break, but is returning to Africa in May. He is appealing for our help & support. These are two ways that help can be given. You can give a donation to Fr. Anthony or Fr. Kieran for him or you can donate through the bank at: -

Account Name: Fr. Kevin O'Hara, Allied Irish Bank, Ballybofey. ACCOUNT NUMBER: 23942109 SORT CODE: 937363
BIC: AIBKIE2D IBAN: IE11AIBK93736323942109

Any help we could give would be very much apricated and would make a real difference.

**Fr. Kevin O'Hara's Coffee Morning:** Sean Mc Cumhaills are having a coffee morning in the Parish Centre on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April after 10am Mass all day until after 6pm Mass and again on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April after both masses 9am and 11am. All proceeds in aid of Fr. Kevin's African appeal.

**Orchard Fostering:** are Urgently Recruiting Foster Carers. Please see a message from Orchard Fostering, which they have asked to share. There is currently a shortage of Foster Carers in Ireland and Orchard Fostering are now urgently recruiting Fosters Carers in every county. Our team is available to answer enquiries and offer advice to those who have thought about fostering. If you have considered fostering or would like to know more, please email info@orchardfostering.ie, call 01 627 5713 or visit our website www.orchardfostering.ie

The Annual Concern Spring Sale: takes on Saturday 29th April in the Henderson Hall, Stranorlar from 10am to 1pm. If you have any items that you would like to donate, please leave them up to the Hall on Friday 28th April between 3pm and 8 pm, or you can give them to any member of the group. For help with any items you can call 0866042727. Items for donation include books, bric-a-brac, small furniture, toys, curtains, bed linen, CDs/ DVDs/ Records etc, jewellery, pictures, plants, new clothing and shoes and other household items. Unfortunately, we cannot accept any used clothing, shoes, electrical items or large furniture. Thank you for your continued support.

**Special Donegal Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:** A Pilgrimage will be held at Christmas 2023 ex Dublin taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives with full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day contact James Treacy 061921470 jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com