Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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<u>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 19th November 2023</u>

MASSES: Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am Weekdays Monday - Friday 10am ~ 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 or by email stranorlarparish@gmail.com. (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 Liam Mc Glinchey, Admiran, Stranorlar, who's funeral takes place today Sunday. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Month Mind: The 6.00pm Mass on Saturday 25th November will be offered for the repose of the soul of Anne Griffin, Trusk Road, Ballybofey.

1st Anniversary: The 6pm Mass on Saturday 25th November will be offered the repose of the soul of Mary C Gallagher, Ard Mc Cool, Stranorlar.

The Legion of Mary Retreat: will be held in Ards Friary on Sunday 3^{rd} December. It starts at 10.00am with talks, confessions, dinner and Mass at 5.30pm. Bus leaving the Chapel Carpark at 8.30am. Price $\in 10.00$ for bus and $\in 25.00$ for Ards. Contact Ann on 087 2710621 or Bridget on 087 6491923 for more details.

Information and Support for Birth Mothers: - whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at <u>www.birthinfo.ie</u> or by calling the relevant section of TUSLA at 00 353 818 445 500

Parish Draw: Our annual parish draw has been put back until Sunday 3rd December. Online entry can be found on St Mary's RC Parish Stranorlar Facebook Page or via https://www.idonate.ie/raffle/

StMarysChristmasParishDraw Envelopes are also available in Andies, Stranorlar & Alexanders, Ballybofey and in the church porches. There will be no ticket sellers going around the doors. You can return your money in the completed envelope to Fr Kieran, Fr Vincent or the church collection box. The draw has been very well supported over the years and we hope that it will be a success this year also.

NET Ministries Ireland: invite everyone for tea after the 10am Mass on Wednesday 22nd November. The Mass will be a Mass of Thanksgiving for some of the NET missionaries who are finishing their service. It will be celebrated by Bishop Alan McGuckian, the Bishop of Raphoe but will be a normal weekday Mass. Tea and chats afterwards in the Net Office with Bishop McGuckian. All welcome.

The Twin Towns Concern Bazaar: takes place on Sunday 3rd December 2023 at 3pm in the Finn Suite, Jackson's Hotel, Ballybofey. Please note the change of venue. Thank you for all your support over the past years and looking forward to seeing you all this year.

Ard Greine Court Ecumenical Carol Service: will be held in the Church of Ireland, The Glebe, Stranorlar, on Friday December 1st at 11.00am. Everyone welcome, Tea and Craft Fare afterwards in Henderson Hall.

Children's Liturgy Group: Children from 2nd to 6th Class are invited. Children who wish to participate must be registered with the Parish in advance. The registration forms have been sent out through the schools and are available by contacting Marlene O'Dwyer on 086 8594077 or marleneodwyer21@gmail.com.

The Children's Mass: will be held next Sunday 26th November at 9am. The children will have the opportunity to bring coppers for our Copper Hunt collection. This a very worthwhile cause as the money goes every year to help 3rd World children. Its important to realise that every little counts and to have children reaching out to less well off children is lovely to see.

Volunteers needed: We continue our called to serve campaign this weekend. We hope that this might be a time when you can commit to serving in the parish and can encourage others to do the same. Application forms will be handed out after mass and are also available on the table at the back of the church. We look forward to hearing from you.

Choir Practice: Practices will be held on Friday 24th November Friday 1st, 8th, 20th, and 22nd. December at 8pm in the church. All welcome