Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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<u>3rd Sunday of Lent ~ 3rd March 2024</u>

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

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 12pm - 1pm & 5.15pm - 5.45pm.

ADORATION: Thursday 10.30am - 10.00pm.

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*

Visitation of the Sick: Tuesday - Ballybofey Town & Country Wednesday - Stranorlar Town & Country If you are sick or housebound and would like a monthly visit from the priest, don't hesitate to get in touch.

Recent Deaths: We offer sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Rory Lee Wilson, 22 Carrick Crescent, Ballybofey, who's funeral takes place this Sunday. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

1st Anniversary: The 7.30pm Mass on Friday 8th March will be offered for the repose of the soul Peter Anderson, Magherapaste, Drumboe.

Cursillo: Lenten Retreat in Ards Friary Friday 22^{nd} to Sunday 24^{th} March. This retreat is for members of Cursillo and runs from 7pm on Friday to after lunch on Sunday. The Liturgies will be led by Fr. Laurence Kettle, Spiritual Director. To book a place please contact Pat Slattery on 087 9374001. Cost €160.

Alzheimer Café: takes place during Social Inclusion week on Wednesday 20th March from 11.30am to 1pm with guest speaker Garda Brenda Healy.

First Holy Communion: There will be a Service of light for the First Holy Communion children of the Parish and their parents in the Church on Tuesday night 5th March at 7pm.

Ministers of the Word for March: Saturday 6pm – Michael Scanlan. Sunday 9am – Eamon Mc Ginely. Sunday 11am – Mags O'Donnell.

Ministers of the Eucharists for March: Saturday 6pm - Lizzie Laverty, Liam Mc Cole & Marion Duffy. Sunday 9am - Mollie Marley, Lawrence Devenney & Eleanor Mc Ginty. Sunday 11am – Leon Mc Granaghan, John Patton & John Lyons.

Holy Thursday: 5.00pm - Breda Mc Connell, Ann Hogan & Donal Sweeney. 7.30pm - Leon Mc Granaghan, John Patton & John Lyons.

Good Friday: Ann Hogan, Pat Mc Caughan & Breda Mc Connell.

The Third Lenten Sycamore Course: will take place on Thursday 7th of March in the Parish Centre at 8.00 pm. The title of this course will be The Meaning of Love. Sycamore is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. It gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that matter. Each session involves a short film and time for discussion. Everyone is welcome.

Quiz Night: Friday March 8th at 8.30pm in the Cloghan Day Centre. All proceeds in aid of Sensory Garden Development at Cloghan Day Centre. Raffle and refreshments on the night. Everyone welcome.

Alone Donegal: Needs your support. Would you be willing to visit or make friendly calls to Older People once a week, for 1 hour? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area to help older people who'd like extra social contact. Full training and support provided. If interested, please sign up here: <u>https://alone.ie/volunteers/</u> For more information, contact Helena on <u>Helena.madden@alone.ie</u> or call 086 0145829 or 074-9321598.

Naíonra an Choimín: are holding an Open Evening in Comeen National School, F93 CF67 on March 8th from 5pm to 7pm. We offer a Pre-School 9a.m to 12p.m & Part-Time Service 12p.m to 2pm. We offer these services as Gaeilge in our new location. For enquiries call 0871616492 or email <u>coimin@cnng.ie</u>

Diocese of Raphoe Irish Synodal Pathway Team: After recent gatherings of each diocese throughout Ireland, the National Irish Synodal Pathway team has requested that each diocese facilitate another round of discussions based on the *Conversations in the Spirit*.

There will be three upcoming sessions in the Diocese of Raphoe. Monday 4th March - Franciscan Friary, Rossnowlagh 7pm to 9pm. Thursday 7th March - Pastoral Centre, Letterkenny 7.45pm to 9.45pm. Wednesday 13th March - Ards Friary 7pm to 9pm.