## Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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## 5th Sunday of Easter ~ 18th May 2025

**MASSES:** Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am Weekdays: Monday ~ Friday 10am 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\*\*

**1st Anniversary:** The 11.00am mass on Sunday May 25th will be offered for the repose of the soul of Gertrude (Gertie) Patton, Mullindrait, Stranorlar

**Choir Practice:** in preparation for Fr. Kieran's Jubilee Mass. Practice Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup> & Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm in the church. All welcome.

**Becoming an Eco-Aware Parish:** If you are interested in exploring how to become a more Eco-Aware parish you are invited to join a group being formed in the parish who will work with groups from other parishes around the diocese. Anyone interested please contact Michelle 087 8131066 for further details.

**Coffee Morning:** Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 10.30am to 12.00 noon in Dillion's Hotel in Letterkenny. Lauren Wall a staff member is going to Uganda in July. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**First Holy Communion 2025:** We congratulate the boys & girls from Dooish National School, Robertson National School & Welchtown National School who made their First Communion yesterday. Many people contributed to this ceremony making it a wonderful occasion. We thank all concerned very sincerely.

**Seeds Community Employment Scheme:** currently have vacancies for general workers and a GAA coach in Sean Mac Cumhaill Park, Ballybofey. For more information contact Shane on 085 8631853

**Lough Derg (Jubilee of Hope 2025):** If all outstanding monies can be paid please before May 24<sup>th</sup>. Bus leaving Church Carpark at 7:30am sharp. Should be back in Stranorlar Church Carpark at 6:00pm Approx. Any queries please contact Fr Vincent or phone 087 7031366.

**The Conwal Singers' Summer Concert:** will take place on Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup> at 4pm in Rockhill House Estate. Conducted by Karen Patton the singers will perform works from Tallis, Elder, Whitacre & others. Tickets can be purchased online from Eventbrite.ie

Pray for Life Novena: The Pray for Life Novena is from Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup> May to Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup>. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection & suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit <a href="https://www.prayforlife.ie">www.prayforlife.ie</a> for the daily novena prayers and to sign up for daily reminders. The prayers will also be posted on <a href="mailto:facebook.com/">facebook.com/</a> <a href="PrayforLifeNovena">PrayforLifeNovena</a> @PrayforLife\_ie on X and @prayforlifenovena on Instagram. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

**Coffee Evening/Morning:** in the old parish centre on May 31<sup>st</sup> & June 1<sup>st</sup> after all Masses in aid of the Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Rome.

Diocesan Retreat for Teens for the Jubilee Year: Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> the Cathedral Parish will be hosting a retreat for secondary school age students. It will take place in Trinity Hall at 2pm, concluding with the Vigil Mass at 6pm St. Eunan's Cathedral, a candlelit procession & pizza to finish. The retreat will be facilitated by Holy Family Mission, led by Fr. Patrick Cahill. Consent forms are required to be completed by the parents/guardians of those who wish to attend & sent to Parochial House, Cathedral Road, Letterkenny. For more information contact <a href="mailto:ahartnett@raphoediocese.ie">ahartnett@raphoediocese.ie</a>

**The Annual Blessing of the Graves:** will take place on Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup>, at 5pm in Drumboe Cemetery & 6.30pm in Stranorlar Cemetery. The graveyard committee has requested that any users of Drumboe Cemetery, remove any old, withered, silk or Christmas wreaths. This will enable grass to be cut in and around headstones. Thank you for your cooperation.