Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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Dedication of the Lateran Basilica ~ 9th November 2025

MASSES: Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am

Weekdays: Monday ~ Friday 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 and Country

Wednesday Stranorlar Town and Country

November Novena: The Novena of Masses for the Holy Souls will continue each evening until Friday 14th November excluding Saturday & Sunday. The names of all those who died since last November will be written on a scroll in the sanctuary. Envelopes are available for the Novena in the porches. The numbers attending so far have been excellent and we urge you to keep up the good work.

Tusla Foster Carer: Have you ever thought about fostering? Change a child's life by becoming a Tusla Foster Carer. Talk to Tusla Fostering today by freephone 1800 226 771 or visit www.fostering.ie to learn more.

Cursillo: There will be an Ultreya in the Church of Ireland hall, Donegal Town (F94 Y902) on Wednesday November 12th at 8pm. Everyone who has ever been on a Cursillo weekend, whether recently or long ago, is very welcome.

Dooish N.S. Admissions for School Year 2026/2027: Application Forms for Admission to Junior Infants / Other Mainstream Classes & Abbey Class – Special Class for autistic pupils are now available on request: By emailing dooish@hotmail.com by phoning 0749131471 or by writing to: Dooish N.S., Ballybofey, Co. Donegal. F93N768. Further information is available in the Annual Admissions Notice & Admissions Policy on the school website – www.dooishns.scoilnet.ie/blog. Closing Date for receipt of Application Forms for Admission is 11th March 2026.

Parish Copper Hunt: Our annual copper hunt will continue for one more week. We will gratefully accept any copper or small change you have accumulated over the past year. Bins will be available in the church into which you can place your coins. This is our annual fundraiser for our Third World Projects and we thank you sincerely for your continued support.

Table Quiz: a quiz in aid of the Oncology Day Services, Letterkenny University Hospital, will be held in Cloghan Community Centre on Friday November 14th starting at 8.30pm. Teams of 4/5 €5 per person. There will be a raffle on the night with lovely prizes & refreshments will be served on the night free of charge.

Ballybofey & Stranorlar Women's Group: will have their 30th Birthday celebrations on November 14th at 7pm in the Villa Rose Hotel. Food will be served from 7.30pm sharp, music will be provided by Ronan Mc Ginty, with spot prizes on the night. All current and past members are welcome.

Raphoe Diocesan Society – RDS: The month of November is a good time to remind you of the Raphoe Diocesan Society. You are encouraged to have your deceased relatives enrolled in the Society and you yourselves are encouraged to become Living Members. Any person wishing to become a member of the Raphoe Diocesan Society may apply to any of the priests. The fee for enrolling is €15.00 for each member.

Climate Change: "God will ask us if we have cultivated and cared for the world that he created (cf. *Gen* 2:15), for the benefit of all and for future generations, and if we have taken care of our brothers and sisters (cf. *Gen* 4:9; *Jn* 13:34). What will be our answer?" (Pope Leo XIV) In October, Pope Leo addressed the "Raising Hope" Laudato Si' Conference in Rome, saying: "It is my hope that the upcoming international summits of the United Nations — the 2025 Climate Change Conference (COP 30)... will listen to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor." When it comes to the ecological crisis, he emphasised that "there is no room for indifference or resignation." On Saturday November 15th there will be a National Demonstration for COP30, walking with other faith communities under the banner of FaithS For Climate Action. There will be a short prayer service at 12.30pm at the Garden of Remembrance.