

Parish of Stranorlar ***Church of Mary Immaculate***

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MASSES: Saturday - 6pm(Vigil). Sunday - 8am, 9.30am & 11am
Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday & Saturday 10am. Wednesday 7.30am,
10am & 7.30pm. Thursday & Friday 7.30am & 10am.

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

ADORATION: Thursday 10.30am - Friday 10am

BAPTISMS: Every Sunday 12.15pm & 1st Saturday of every Month.
(Please give two weeks notice)

6th Sunday of the Year - 11th February 2018

This Sunday is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and is also World Day for the Sick.

Recent Death: We offer sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Albert McAuley, Dunwiley whose funeral Mass takes place this Sunday at 11am.

Temperance Sunday: The Sunday before Ash Wednesday is always designated as 'Temperance Sunday' when we honour the grace of Temperance, especially as related to the abuse of intoxicating drink. With the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association we pray for Sobriety in society.

Ash Wednesday: Wednesday 14th February is Ash Wednesday and a day of fast and abstinence. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at all the Masses. Please note that the early Mass will be at 7.30am in order to give more people the opportunity to come to Mass for Lent.

Trocaire Boxes: Lenten Trocaire Boxes are available in the porches.

Parish Live Streaming: Our Parish begins live streaming from our church every weekend from now during the 6pm Mass on Saturday and the 11am Mass on Sunday. You can find us on www.mcnmedia.tv

Choir Practices for February: Practices will be held on Friday 16th & Friday 23rd at 8pm in the church.

Envelope Boxes for 2018: If you did not receive a box and would like one, please call to the sacristy after any of the Masses.

St. Joseph's Hospital, Stranorlar: A very important **reconvened** Public Meeting will take place on Friday 16th February at 7pm in the Pyramid Suite, Jacksons Hotel to discuss the future of St. Joseph's Community Hospital, the removal of long stay residential and Dementia beds and services. It is now essential that the Communities rally together to demonstrate the importance of the hospital and its services to the area. This campaign is so important if we are going to be able to care for people in the heart of their communities as St. Joseph's has done under various modes of operation for almost 200 years. You are encouraged to make an effort to attend this meeting on the night. All Public Representatives are invited to hear the concern of the General Public and all present on the night.

Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Departing from Belfast on Tuesday 22nd May and returning on Sunday 27th May led by Bishop Alan McGuckian, SJ. The director is Fr. Patrick McHugh P.P.. The package includes 5 nights full board in selected hotels in Lourdes and costs €704.00 per person sharing. Optional transport to Airport is €25.00. Bookings and payments to Joe Walsh Pilgrim Tours Ltd, c/o Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, Archive House, Bishop's Palace, Letterkenny. A deposit of €200.00 per person will secure a place. Anyone wishing to travel as part of the sick (assisted pilgrims) staying in the hospital in Lourdes should apply in writing to Lourdes Pilgrimage Director, c/o Brenda Barrett, Secretary, Archive House, Bishop's Palace, Letterkenny. You can contact Brenda on 9125090 Monday - Friday 12.30 - 3.30pm. for more information. Please note that the Lourdes Office is now located at the rear of the Bishop's Palace.

Breastfeeding Support Group: There is a Breastfeeding Support Group in the Hatter Tea Room, Stranorlar every Monday morning between 10am and 12 noon. All mums-to-be and new mums welcome. For more information contact Jan on 086 0700402