

# *Parish of Stranorlar*

## *Church of Mary Immaculate*

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### **Pentecost Sunday ~ 19th May 2024**

**MASSSES:** Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am  
Weekdays Monday ~ 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](mailto:stranorlarparish@gmail.com).

**\*\*Please give two weeks notice\*\***

**Recent Deaths:** We offer sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Philomena McDevitt, 98 Ard Mc Cool, Stranorlar and Adrian Thompson, Donegal Road, Ballybofey, who's funerals took place on Wednesday. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**Months Mind:** The 6.00pm Mass on Saturday 25th May will be offered for the repose of the soul of Tony Diver, Dunwiley, Stranorlar.

**Anthony Hartnett 1st Mass:** A meeting will take place this Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm in the Parish Centre for anyone wishing to be involved in planning this celebration which will take place on Monday June 10<sup>th</sup>

**Choir Practices:** Practice on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May in the church at 8.00pm.  
Practice in the Cathedral on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm. Practice on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 8.00pm in the church.

**A Day of Prayers & Healing:** a bus will be going to the House of Prayer in Clonfert for a Day of Prayer & Healing with Eddie Stone on Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup>. The bus is leaving Letterkenny and will stop in Ballybofey. To book call 087 7488174. Places are limited.

**First Holy Communion 2024:** We congratulate the boys & girls from Dooish N.S., Roberston N.S. and Welchtown N.S. who made their First Communion yesterday. Many people contributed to this ceremony making it a wonderful occasion. We thank all concerned very sincerely.

**Dooish N.S. Enrolment Opportunities for 2024/2025:** Dooish N.S. have some remaining places in Junior Infants/ Senior Infants/ First Class/ Second Class/ Third Class & 5<sup>th</sup> Class for the coming year. We offer a wide ranging curriculum and support our pupils to develop academically and socially during their time at our school. Please contact our school office for an Admissions Application Form on 0749131471 or via email on [office@dooishns.ie](mailto:office@dooishns.ie) Further information is available on [www.dooishns.scoilnet.ie](http://www.dooishns.scoilnet.ie)

**Healing Mass Volunteers Needed:** We are looking for helpers with tea making and car parking for the Healing Mass next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 3.00pm. We are also looking for car park helpers on the days of funerals and any future large gatherings in the parish. A meeting will be held this Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> at 7.30pm in the parish centre. If you think you can help in any way please come along or contact Shauna on 087-9187510 for further details.

**Family & Life:** Donegal Christian Education meeting focusing on concerns Christian parents have on the new SPHE curriculum in Jackson's Hotel, Ballybofey, on Wednesday May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8pm. All welcome.

**The Conwal Singers:** are hosting a wonderful summer concert of choral music on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in Conwal Parish Church, Letterkenny. Joining the singers in performance is a visiting choir from Hebden Bridge, England "The Hepton Singers" and also special guests, the Inishowen Harp Ensemble. Admission at the door €10/€5

**The Annual Blessing of the Graves:** will take place on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, at 5pm in Drumboe Cemetery and 6.30pm in Stranorlar Cemetery. A one-way system will be in place on Drumboe Avenue, entering, as always from the Drumboe Avenue on Main Street and exiting at West Gates, no access will be permitted from West Gates entrance, except for residents. Parking will be available at the Beechwood Avenue end of Jackson's Hotel and at the Chapel Car Park, those who are not intending on travelling on to Stranorlar Cemetery are advised to make use of these two facilities.

**RCIA:** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) formation will take place in the Diocese of Raphoe for adults wishing to enter the Catholic Church. A 23-week programme will begin on Monday September 16<sup>th</sup> at the Pastoral Centre, Letterkenny. The course will pause for the mid-term breaks in October & February as well as the Christmas holidays to accommodate parents of young families. The programme will conclude shortly before Holy Week, which is in the middle of April 2025. For further details, please contact Brian O'Driscoll at [dpr@raphoediocese.ie](mailto:dpr@raphoediocese.ie) or 087 450 4873