Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

PRIESTS: Rev. Kieran McAteer, P.P. Tel. 9131135 or 087 3496172

Rev. Vincent Finnegan, C.C. Tel 9131157 or 087 7031366

St. Mary's Parish Centre Tel 9175853 St. Vincent de Paul Tel 087 9955351 Bethany Bereavement Tel 089 4402787

Mon-Friday 10am - 6pm.

Parish Website - www.stranorlarparish.ie Email - stranorlarparish@gmail.com

Live Streaming - churchservices.tv/stranorlar Facebook - St Mary's RC Parish Stranorlar

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 15th September 2024

MASSES: 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.

Please give two weeks notice

Months Minds: The 6.00pm mass on Saturday 21st September will be offered for the repose of the souls of Sean Marley, St. Vincents Close, Stranorlar and Vincent Bourke, Donegal Road, Ballybofey.

Choir Practice: Practice resumes on Friday 20th at 8.00pm in the church. If you enjoy singing or play a musical instrument do come along and join us.

Alone: Alone Donegal currently has a huge need for volunteers in the Twin Towns & Finn Valley area, who would make one hour per week visits or phone calls to older people who are feeling lonely and would like extra social contact. Full training and support are provided. Helena Madden from Alone will be in attendance at masses the weekend of the 21st & 22nd September with further information.

Coffee Morning: Annual Hospice coffee morning in memory of the late Ailish Gallinagh will be held on Thursday 19th. Sept. from 10.00am – 2.00pm in the home of Hazel Kee Backleas, Stranorlar. Everyone welcome. Your support is appreciated for this worthy cause.

St. Vincent De Paul: will host an information meeting in SVP North West Regional Office in Raphoe from 7.00pm - 8.30pm on the September 24th for people interested in joining the conferences in the following areas: Raphoe, Convoy, Drumkeen, Lifford, Ballybofey, Stranorlar, Killygordon, Castlefinn, St Johnston & Doneyloop. For more information, please call Orla Beirne on 087 775 7426 or email: orla.beirne@svp.ie.

Child Safeguarding Notice: To report a suspicion concern or complaint of child abuse, either current or historical, please contact Margaret Northage, the Designated Liaison Person for the Diocese, on 086 2183 011. You are advised also to contact statutory authorities: Tusla (Child & Family Agency) - Tel: (074) 9102233 Gardaí National Protective Services Bureau - Tel: (01) 6663430 or (01) 6663435. In an emergency, please contact Letterkenny Garda Station – Tel: 074 9167100. Free Counselling & Support is available through Towards Healing, an independent organisation providing professional support for people who have experienced institutional, Clerical or Religious abuse in Ireland. Freephone - ROI: 1800 303416 Freephone – N. Ireland & UK: 0800 0963315 Freephone - Hearing Impaired: 085 8022859

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland: You are invited to attend or support the local fundraising Memory Walk 2024 at Drumboe Woods, on 22nd September at 11:30am. The Meeting Point will be Jackson's Hotel, Ballybofey. This will be followed by Refreshments and Entertainment at Chestnut Rd, Ballybofey

The Finn Valley Community Health Forum: are holding their AGM on October 10th at 7.30 pm in the Family Resource Centre, Drumboe, Stranorlar. Everyone welcome.

Rainbows Ireland, Letterkenny: applications for the Rainbows programme are now open for the 2024/25 year. Rainbows is a 9-week support programme for children aged 7 - 14 years old who have been affected by bereavement or separation in the family. To reserve a place and receive an application form please contact the Pastoral Centre: 074 9121853 or email pastoralcentre@raphoediocese.ie For more information on the Rainbows Ireland programme visit www.rainbowsireland.ie

Padre Pio: a Triduum in preparation for the Feast of St. Padre Pio will take place at the Franciscan Friary, Rossnowlagh from Friday September 20th until Monday September 23rd. There will be Mass, Homily & Blessing with his Mitten at 7.30pm each evening, Preacher will be Fr. Pius Mc Laughlin, OFM who met Padre Pio. All are very welcome for these prayerful celebrations.

Lost and Found: A piece of jewellery has been found in Drumboe Graveyard about 1 month ago. If you think it belongs to you, please contact 0877728608.