## Parish of Stranorlar Church of Mary Immaculate

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## 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th October 2024 Mission Sunday

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

**Months Mind:** The 7.30pm mass on Friday 25th October will be offered for the repose of the soul of Rita Bradley, Woodlawn, Stranorlar.

**1st Anniversary:** The 10.00am Mass on Saturday 26th October will be offered for the repose of the soul of Anne Griffin, Trusk Road, Ballybofey.

**November Novena:** The Novena of Masses for the Holy Souls will start on Tuesday 5th of November at 7.30pm each evening and continue until Friday 15th November excluding Saturday & Sunday. The names of all those who died since last November will be written on a scroll in the sanctuary. Envelopes will be available for the Novena in the porches.

**Choir Practice:** Practice will take place on Friday October 25<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the church. If you enjoy singing or play a musical instrument do come along and join us.

Parish Draw: Our annual parish draw will take place on Sunday December 1st. Online entry can be found on St Mary's RC Parish Stranorlar Face-book Page or via https://www.idonate.ie/raffle/StMarysChristmasParishDraw Envelopes are also available in Andies, Stranorlar & Alexanders, Ballybofey and in the church porches. There will be no ticket sellers going around the doors. You can return your money in the completed envelope to Fr Kieran, Fr Vincent or the church collection box. The draw has been very well supported over the years and we hope that it will be a success this year also.

**Parish Copper Hunt:** Our annual copper hunt will commence this Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> October (Mission Sunday) and will continue for three weeks. 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.

**Dooish N.S. School Admissions for School Year 2025/2026:** 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 – <a href="www.dooishns.scoilnet.ie/blog">www.dooishns.scoilnet.ie/blog</a>. Closing Date for receipt of Application Forms for Admission is 11<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

**All Saints Day Family Disco:** in the Parish Centre on November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5pm to 7pm. All children & their family are welcome. Fun guaranteed with joy, laughter & treats.

**Pilgrimage to Krakow:** 20<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2026. Ex-Dublin flights with Ryanair direct to Krakow. € 995 per person sharing. Led by Fr Eamon Kelly. See the porches for more information

**Research study on the discharge of older people from the Emergency Dept:** With consent we would like to talk to older people aged 75 years and over who attended an Emergency Department in the Republic of Ireland in the past three years and were discharged home between 17.30pm and 8am, or

past three years and were discharged home between 17.30pm and 8am, or during the weekend/public holidays. A relative, friend or carer of an older adult who attended during these times and who is unable to participate, or would like someone to be with them during the interview, or has since deceased. By taking part in this important study, you will help identify current discharge experiences for older people from Emergency Departments out of hours. If interested please phone or message Mary on 087 4098900 or email to Dunnion-M1@ulster.ac.uk for further information.