

# *Parish of Stranorlar*

## *Church of Mary Immaculate*

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### *5th Sunday of Lent ~ 6th April 2025*

**MASSES:** Saturday - 6pm (Vigil) Sunday - 9am & 11am  
Weekdays: Monday ~ Friday 7.30am, 10am 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\*\*

**Visitation of the Sick:** Tuesday - Ballybofey Town & Country  
Wednesday - Stranorlar Town & Country

**The Medical Missionaries of Mary:** Members of the MMM will be speaking to us at all the masses this weekend 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> April asking for our prayers & support. They are an organisation who raise awareness and resources for their global mission, particularly in the areas of health, social, and human services, with a focus on holistic healing and community development.

**Volunteers Needed:** Would you be willing to provide companionship or make friendly calls to an older person in your community? The commitment is just for 1 hour per week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please sign up on <https://alone.ie/volunteers/>. For more information, contact Helena on [Helena.madden@alone.ie](mailto:Helena.madden@alone.ie)

**First Holy Communion:** There will be a meeting for all parents of children who are making their First Holy Communion in May in St. Mary's National School Hall on Monday April 7th at 7pm

**Blood Donor Clinic:** The Irish Blood Transfusion Service Board's mobile clinic will be in Jacksons Hotel, Ballybofey on Wednesday April 9th from 15.00pm to 17.00pm & 19.00pm to 21.30pm & Thursday April 10th from 12.00pm to 14.00pm & 16.00pm to 19.30pm. You can now register & book an appt online <https://giveblood.info/OnlineAppointment> or Call 1800 731137

**Coffee Morning:** in the home of Dympna Sweeney, Ballinaglack, Stranorlar F93 FHH9 in aid of Mary's Meals on April 12<sup>th</sup> on the occasion of her big birthday. No cards, flowers or gifts. Everyone welcome.

**Easter Monday Pilgrim Path Walk at Lough Derg:** Join the Team at Lough Derg for a guided walk along the ancient Pilgrim Path around Lough Derg on Monday April 21<sup>st</sup> at 10.30am. 8km & 12km option available. Free event. Booking essential. More information [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje:** The Donegal N.E. Group will take a pilgrimage to Medjugorje departing Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup> from Derry to Mostar. A limited number of seats are available due to cancellations. For more information & bookings, please contact Michael on 087 292 2499.

**Family Carers Ireland:** Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer. Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 937 0221 and hear how we can support you or for more information visit [www.familycarers.ie](http://www.familycarers.ie).

**Day Services for the Elderly in the Twin Towns:** Save St Joseph's Hospital Action Group has been informed that the day services for the elderly will not be returning to the Ballybofey/Stranorlar area. The HSE indicated that such services are available at the Cloghan Day Centre & the CAKE Centre, Killygordon. The Committee would now like to ascertain how many people would like to avail of these services. If you are interested, or you know anyone else in your community who may be interested, you can pick up an 'Expression of Interest Form' from the Finn Valley Voice Office, Andies Supermarket, Alexanders Shop and various other outlets throughout the Ballybofey/Stranorlar area. The information will be used to gather data by the Save St Joseph's Hospital Action Group only.