

Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Straide

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Masses

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Saturday 1 st	7:30 pm	Brigid Cogger (6 th Anniversary)
Sunday 2 nd	11:00 am	People of the Parish Community
Monday 3 rd	10:00 am	Private Intention – Feast of St. Blaise
Tuesday 4 th	7:00 pm	Eucharistic Service & Rosary
Wednesday 5 th	10:00 am	Private Intention
Thursday 6 th	10:00 am	Private Intention
Friday 7 th	10:00 am	Private Intention
Saturday 8 th	7:30 pm	Bea Mulroy
Sunday 9th	11:00 am	People of the Parish Community

Congratulations – to Fr. Paul Dempsey who has been appointed by Pope Francis as Bishop of Achonry. We wish him God's Blessings in his ministry in the diocese and pray that he will shepherd his people imitating the Good Shepherd of the Gospels. The Sick & Housebound will be visited on Thursday, February 6th after 10.30 am. Please advise of anyone who would like to be added to the monthly list or anyone in hospital who would appreciate a visit.

St. Brigid's Crosses - can be brought to Church on St. Brigid's Day on Saturday, February 1st or on Sunday, February 2nd in order to have them blessed. Thanks to those who made some and brought them to Church for blessing and for distribution. Candlemas Day – is on Sunday, February 2nd. Candles for use in the home and in the Church will be blessed during the 11.00 am Mass that day. Thanks to all who donate candles for use in the Church each year.

Feast of St. Blaise – takes place on Monday, February 3rd. The traditional blessing of throats will take place on that day as well as after the weekend Masses of the previous weekend (Saturday evening February 1st & Sunday morning February 2nd) for those who wish to remain behind to receive that blessing.

Welcome and Thanks - to our new volunteer readers who have been added to the Readers' Roster for February and subsequent months. We thank you for your commitment to proclaim God's Word in Church. Additional volunteers are also welcome. Retreat for Eucharistic Ministers and Readers – takes place in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on Sunday 8th March, 3-5pm. **Do you want to** - safely dispose of your recyclable items and, also, help your local athletic club? As part of their recycling drive, Swinford AC are currently collecting all unwanted mobile phones, tablets, laptops, game consoles and Smart watches and devices. You can bring all such items to the collection point at Swinford Amenity Park every Tuesday evening between 7 and 8 pm. Sewing classes - starting at the home of Aine Hopkins, Ballyvary, Beginners starting Wednesday 5th Feb. Improvers Thursday 6th Feb. 8-10pm for 8 weeks. Contact 087 1352612 for details and to book your place.

Learn more - about the age-old tradition of making St Brigid's Crosse from 2 to 4pm on Sunday, Feb 2nd, at the National Museum of Country Life, Turlough. The event is suitable for adults and children (7 plus). Admission is free. No booking required. Mayo Cancer Support - will be having our Straide Church Gate Collection on the 1st and 2nd of Feb 2020. We would really appreciate your support to continue our services to people affected by Cancer in Mayo.

Fr Peyton Centre Attymass - Why not join us for an afternoon of reflection in the Fr Peyton Centre on Sat 15th Feb from 2 -4.30pm. "Prayers from the Heart". Facilitator Fr Steve Gibson CSC. €10.00 per person including refreshments. Booking essential. Mayo Cancer Support - will be running Tai Chi classes beginning Thursday 6th February from 12.30pm -1.30pm in Rock Rose House, Castlebar and is provided free of charge to anyone affected by Cancer. Booking is advisable as places are limited. Contact 094-9038407 for further information.

Straide Community Development Group Update

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Ladies Indoor Soccer	Mondays 8.00 - 9.00pm	n					
Badminton	Tues (Kids) 7 - 8pm &	Straide Badminton Club					
Pilates	Tuesdays 8.00 – 9.15 up	Taragh Cosgrove					
Kids Indoor Soccer	Friday 18:30 – 19.30	Friday 18:30 – 19.30					
Tai Chi Classes	Thursdays 10 -11 am (Open to new People)			Marion@biareal.ie			
Straide Social Group	We are planning a get together for our Over 50's community. We hope to offer organised opportunities						
	for participation in a wide range of activities. Please join us on Friday Feb 14 th at 8pm in Straide						
	Community Hall for our first Social Evening where we will discuss ideas and put a plan together for						
the future. All are welcome and bring a friend! For further information contact Marian							
Deacy/Geraldine Hynes.							
Straide Pride of Place DVD's available through Davitt Museum, Copper Beech and Ballvary Post Office priced at €15							
Straide Community Hall Rentals - Contact a member of the Straide Community Development Committee for details on room or hall							
hire for any Meetings, Parties, Club Functions, Training or other.							
For further information check out the Straide Community Facebook page or contact a member of the SCDG.							
Moy Davitt's News - Congrats to Rose Walsh, Bohola who won €402 in this week's Moy Davitts 50/50 draw. The weekly draw							
continues in <i>The Hideout</i> on Feb 1 st . Thank you for supporting our club.							
Eucharistic Ministers	Sat 1 st (7.30 pm)	Hugh Rainey S	Sun 2 nd (11.00 am)	Jane Mulroy			
	Sat 8 th (7.30 pm)	Mary Kelly S	Sun 9 th (11.00 am)	Geraldine Hynes			
Altar Society February	: Nora McNicholas & N	Marian McHale					
Thought for the Day: A little faith will bring your soul to heaven, but a lot of faith will bring heaven to your soul.							

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Newsletter: Items for inclusion to be handed into the Parochial House by 12pm on Thursday or email pp@straideparish.com. Additional News Items - are included in the online Newsletter on www.straideparish.com

Are you finding it difficult to cope - with life's problems? Perhaps GROW can help you. GROW is a free confidential support group, promoting positive mental health using a 12 step program. Meetings run weekly on Tuesdays at 8pm in the Ballina Community centre. For further information on GROW or other GROW meetings across Co Mayo, you can contact Emily at 086 4183543, www.grow.i.e or the GROW information line 1890 474 474

Bereavement Support Group - Each Wednesday morning at 11am a Bereavement Support Group meet at the Family Centre, Knock Shrine for an hour. It's a place and time to remember and find support when dealing with the loss of a family member. All are welcome to drop in any week and further information is available from Monica Morley at the Centre on 094-9375320

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages April - Oct 2020 - 7 Night Stay and Airport Shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €266 per person sharing. Book any flight - any time and we provide guaranteed airport shuttle service. Call us for further info and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 01 4434510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com.

First Communion – will take place in the parish on Sunday, May 10th 2020 at 11:00 am.

Cemetery Sunday (with Mass in the New Cemetery) will take place on Sunday, August 2nd at 11.00 am. Weather permitting. If not, Mass will be celebrated in the Church.

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses 2020 - Fri. 24th / Sat. 25 Jan.; Fri. 28th / Sat. 29 Feb. Fri. 27th / Sat. 28 Mar.; Fri. 25th / Sat. 26 Sept.; Fri. 30th / Sat. 31 Oct.; Fri. 27th / Sat. 28 Nov. Courses are held in McWilliam Park Hotel, delivered by ACCORD Charlestown Centre. Best to book online at www.accord.ie and there to see all the dates being offered by Castlebar, Ballina, Sligo & Roscommon ACCORD Centres

CCTV – operates 24 / 7 within the Church and in the Church car park. The parish policy concerning CCTV can be found on the parish website (www.straideparish.com) – as can all parish policies.

Ballyvary Post Office New Services - You can now purchase Polish Zloty at the Post Office. This brings to 5, the number of currencies available: American, Australian and Canadian Dollars, as well as UK Sterling and Polish Zloty.

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) – has implications for parishes, one being that we can no longer publish names of Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society or Collectors in Newsletters / Website without written permission. We hope to phase the regulations in throughout 2019. Forms are available on the altar rails. Please bring one home, fill in and return to the Church.

Alzheimer's Daycentre Foxford – is a day centre for Alzheimer's clients in the Foxford / Straide area. The centre is open to any families with relatives who would like a few hours away from house, to interact with other clients in a warm, fun environment. It also has various activities throughout the day and a full lunch is served. For more information contact (087) 9981061. **Genealogy** – Are you interested in tracing your ancestors or have a relative overseas who would like to trace their roots? The

North Mayo Heritage Centre, Crossmolina can help. Gift vouchers also available. Contact (096) 31809.

House / Station Mass – If anyone would like Mass celebrated in their home, either as a traditional Station Mass or as a private family / neighbourhood Mass, please let me know. It is always a great blessing to have Mass celebrated in one's home.

Beware - of leaving cars unlocked / valuables showing while at Mass. Cars have been broken into throughout the county recently.

Bohola Community Park Update: We wish to thank everyone for their support and generosity in our first year of this mammoth task. This Committee to date have: successfully obtained 13 acres for the community at no cost. raised in excess of €33,000 through fundraising events and donations. At present we are working in conjunction with LEADER to obtain funding so that a feasibility study can be carried out on the entire project in the New Year. Should you wish to volunteer and help out or donate please email: boholacommunitypark@gmail.com or visit our website www.boholacommunitypark.com.

Knock Counselling Service - available at (094) 93 75032 or log on to www.knockshrine.ie/counselling

Bereavement Support Group - Life after a family bereavement can feel empty and lonely. Sometimes spending time, talking praying and sharing with others who know the experience can be helpful. A Bereavement Support Group meets at the Family Centre, Knock each Wednesday at 11am. Anyone is welcome to drop in any week. Further information is available from Monica Morley at the Centre on 094-9375320.

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Troubled by somebody's drinking? -There is help! Alanon /Alateen meetings in Hope House every Sunday at 3pm.

Accord Counselling - Challenging times can be rough on relationships. When it comes to protecting your most precious investment (your marriage), talk to ACCORD. Our services, based on your needs, not your ability to pay, can help you get the most from your marriage. Morning and evening appointments are available. Office hours are from 10 am to 1pm Monday to Friday, contact (094) 92 54944 or Lo-call 1850 201 878 or email accordcharlestown@gmail.com.

Depression/Anxiety self-help group - contact Grow @ Ballina Community Centre, Teeling St. Tel: (094) 9026417. All welcome. **Food Addicts Anonymous** - 12 step program. Meetings in Hope House @ 8 pm. every Monday. Tel: (086) 3201247 All welcome.