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<u>Masses</u>		<u>Ja</u>	nuary 25th & 26th	2020
Saturday 25th	7:30 pm	Bertie Rainey, son Dominic & Dominic's wife Carmel		
		and all the deceased of the Rainey family	Blanemore	
Sunday 26th	11:00 am	Marie McDonnell (1st Anniversary)	Castlebar	/\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
Monday 27th	10:00 am	Private Intention		
Tuesday 28th	7:00 pm	Eucharistic Service & Rosary		
Wednesday 29th	10:00 am	Private Intention		
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am	Private Intention		
Friday 31st	10:00 am	Private Intention		
Saturday 1st	7:30 pm	Brigid Cogger (6 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)	Knockshanbally	

We remember in our prayers – the soul of Nicola Kingcombe, Castlebar / Islandeady who was buried during the week. May she Rest In Peace.

**St. Brigid's Crosses** – anyone who makes St. Brigid's Crosses at home can bring them to Church on St. Brigid's Day on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> or on Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> in order to have them blessed.

People of the Parish Community

Sunday 2nd

11:00 am

**Catholic Schools Week** – is a special week set aside every year to acknowledge the work done by Catholic schools and to pray for their continued success. This year, the week of special prayer runs from Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup> to Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup>. We thank all involved and committed to Catholic education – all parents, teachers, Boards of Management and, of course, pupils. **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 1<sup>st</sup> & Sunday morning February 2<sup>nd</sup>) for those who wish to remain behind to receive that blessing.

**Retreat for Eucharistic Ministers and Readers** – takes place in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 3-5pm. **We welcome** – into the Christian Community Josh Joey Jordan who was baptised recently. We wish him, his family, and all associated with him the abundance of God's blessings at this special time.

**Lost** - Gold miraculous medal with gold chain. Of great sentimental value. If found in or around the Church (or elsewhere) please give to Fr. Martin who will reunite it with the owner.

Attymass Parish Table Quiz - in An Sionnach Rua on Saturday 1st February. Tables of four €40. Proceeds in aid of the Attymass Church Restoration Fund. Starts at 9.00pm Sharp. To enter a team, please contact 086 3334124 or 085 2552984 or 087 9465750. **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.

**The Michael Davitt Museum** - will host a lecture entitled *The legacy of Mahatma Gandhi* by His Excellency, Mr. Sandeep Kumar, (Indian Ambassador to Ireland) on Thursday the 30th January at 8pm. All are welcome.

**Learn more** - about the age-old tradition of making St Brigid's Crosse from 2 to 4pm on Sunday, Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the National Museum of Country Life, Turlough. The event is suitable for adults and children (7 plus). Admission is free. No booking required. **Church gate Collection** – for the Irish Pilgrimage Trust Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place this weekend of January 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. **Mayo Cancer Support** - will be running Tai Chi classes beginning Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Mayo Cancer Support** - will be having our Straide Church Gate Collection on the  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  of Feb 2020. We would really appreciate your support to continue our services to people affected by Cancer in Mayo.

Church Rosters - for February are listed below. Readers can pick up readings from altar rails from Friday afternoon next.

Rosters for February 2020 **Ministers of the Word: Feb:** Grainne McHale & [Volunteer Needed] **Saturday Evening: Sunday Morning:** Máire Mulroy & Tom Fahy Prayers of the Faithful: Feb: **Saturday Evening:** Orla McHale **Sunday Morning:** Martina Jordan **Offertory Collection Saturday Evening:** Hugh Rainey & Michael Kelly Feb: **Sunday Morning:** Michael Murphy & Peter Murphy **Altar Society:** Feb: Nora McNicholas & Marian McHale

Moy Davitt's News - Congrats to Sophie Neary, Castlebar who won €376 in this week's Moy Davitt's 50/50 draw. The weekly draw continues in *Clarkes* Bohola on Jan 26<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for supporting our club.

Eucharistic Ministers Sat 25<sup>th</sup> (7.30 pm) Grainne McHale Sun 26<sup>th</sup> (11.00 am) Joanne Jordan Sat 1<sup>st</sup> (7.30 pm) Hugh Rainey Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> (11.00 am) Jane Mulroy

Altar Society January: Mary Roche, Kathleen Bourke & Mary Lennon

**Thought for the Day:** Every day may not be a good day but there is good in every day!

**Please return** - newsletters to the tables they were sourced from, in order to have some available for those who bring them home. **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

The Fr Peyton Cluster Ecumenical Service for Christian Unity Week – thanks to all who attended this event in Bonniconlon on Friday evening last. Thanks, especially, to those who participated by reading. It was a very memorable occasion.

**Straide Community Development Group Update** 

**Ladies Indoor Soccer** Mondays 8..00 – 9.00pm

**Badminton** Tues (Kids) 7 - 8pm & 8 - 9pm; Tues / Thurs (Adults) 9.00pm Straide Badminton Club

PilatesTuesdays 8.00 – 9.15 upstairsTaragh CosgroveKids Indoor SoccerFriday 18:30 – 19.30Tom Fahy

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<sup>th</sup> 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 Sunday Strolls Meet this Sunday 26th Jan at 12pm at the Disabled Anglers Fishing Area for a 4Km Leisurely

Stroll through the Straide townlands of Blanemore and Muckanagh with Tea/Coffee/Hot

Chocolate afterwards.

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.

**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 10<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 11:00 am.

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

Family Prayer Cards – for the Feast of the Holy Family are available at the exits. Please bring one home as you leave 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.