Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Straide

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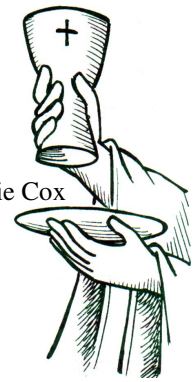

Masses **June 20th & 21st 2020**

Saturday 20th	**8.00 pm**	Private Mass **-** Mary Bogue (11th Anniversary)	Redhill
Sunday 21st	**11.00 am**	Joe & Babs Hennelly / James & Bridget Cox / Seamus & Mary B. O'Neill / Bridie Cox	
Monday 22nd	**10.00 am**	Private Mass – For the People of the Parish Community	
Tuesday 23rd	**7.00 pm***	Private Mass Intention	
Wednesday 24th	**10.00 am**	Private Mass Intention	
Thursday 25th	**7.00 pm***	Private Mass Intention	
Friday 26th	**10.00 am**	Private Mass Intention	
Saturday 27th	**8.00 pm**	Private Mass Intention	
Sunday 28th	**11.00 am**	People of the Parish Community	

***Please note** - later time of Masses on Tuesday & Thursday at 7.00 pm

Church Live Stream – is now operational. All Masses are available to be viewed live online on *www.straideparish.com*. Many thanks to those who assisted with the set up. Unfortunately, it is still not possible to have parishioners present at these Masses until later in the month (from June 29th) when churches will reopen to congregations. If you know of anyone who would like to tune in, but are unable to do so, you might help them with the task.

Booked Mass Intentions - Those who have booked Mass Intentions for dates during the period of public Mass cancellation should contact Fr. Martin if they wish those Masses to be deferred to a future date when Mass will be open to the public again. Otherwise, the Masses will be offered (privately) on the dates and times originally requested. These Masses will be live streamed and can be viewed from the parish website – www.straideparish.com. It is possible to reschedule Masses for after June 29th when, hopefully, public Masses will resume.

New Offertory Envelopes – New boxes of Offertory Envelopes are now available and can be picked up from the back of the Church. Many thanks to those who distributed those boxes last year. However, this year I'm asking parishioners to pick up their own envelopes (and perhaps those of their neighbour) from the Church. While the present corona virus pandemic continues, I would not expect our regular distributers (many of whom have been cocooning) to undertake this task again this year.

The Sick & Housebound – will not be visited this month. Urgent sick calls will continue to be attended to.

Free online Self Care to Wellness Programme - next programme commences on Wednesday 1st July from 10.30 am to 1pm. If you are living with a long term heath condition you may be interested in doing the '*Self Care to Wellness* Programme' soon to be known nationally as the '*Living Well' Programme*'. This is a six week programme delivered in 2.5 hour weekly sessions where you will learn new skills to manage your health condition on a day to day basis. This Programme will commence on Wednesday the 1st of July from 10.30am to 1 pm. You must register in advance as places are limited to 10/12 participants. Please note you do not have to disclose your health condition on the programme. Please contact Olga on 087 7096443or email: olga.maguire@mayocil.ie. You can find out more information on the programme on our website: www.hse.ie/livingwell

RETURN TO THE PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF MASS AND THE SACRAMENTS: As we look forward in joy and hope to the re-opening of our churches for the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments, we offer this framework document to the dioceses and parishes of Ireland (available to read at https://achonrydiocese.org/returntoworship). At the end of the month we hope to slowly and cautiously resume public worship in our churches, knowing that it can only happen in a limited way. We will still need patience, perseverance and self-sacrifice. The prescriptions contained in the Framework Document will only be effective if we have the generous support of volunteers who will help to plan, implement and manage the transition back to full parish life and the celebration of the sacraments. Their energy, creativity and enthusiasm are gifts that our communities need now more than ever, since some of our older generation may be unable to offer their normal help in the current circumstances. (Framework Document, Irish Bishops Conference).

Straide Church Reopening – Hopefully, from June 29th Churches will be able to reopen for public Masses again. The experience of attending Mass may be a little different from what people were used to previously. Many protocols will have to be introduced in order to guarantee the safety and well-being of those attending. Help will be needed in this respect. Otherwise, we may not be able to reopen. Further information is available at: http://www.straideparish.com/sample/church-reopening-soon/. Please give some thought to volunteering in order to allow the Church to reopen in a safe and compliant manner. Contact Fr. Martin if you think you can help.

Moy Davitt's News - Congratulations to Helen Clarke Foxford on winning €602 in the Moy Davitt's 50/50 draw. A huge thank you to everyone who supported last week's draw, it is greatly appreciated. Tickets are available in the usual retail outlets and by clicking http://bit.ly/MoyDavitts50-50. It might be you !!!

Offertory Envelopes - can be returned when Masses re-open to the public again or when your own finances allow. Sincere thanks to those who have already made returns. As previously stated, there is no pressure to do so at this time.

Altar Society for July: Mary Roche, Kathleen Bourke & Mary Lennon

Thought for the Day: A man never stands as tall as when he kneels to help his child.

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

Happy Father's Day

Fathers in Our Lives

We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives.
Fatherhood does not come with a manual,
and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail.

We ask for Your blessings for them all and forgiveness where it is needed.
This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make
for their children and families,
and the ways (both big and small) they lift children
to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

So, too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void
when fathers pass early or are absent: grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins,
teachers, colleagues and coaches and the women of our families.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility
in the face of the task of parenting.
Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You.

In Your Holy name, O God, we pray.

Amen

IF YOU NEED HELP

Many parishioners have volunteered to help those who may not be able to shop, collect medicines, go to the Post Office etc. during this Coronavirus outbreak. If, at any time, you need help with these chores call me on (094) 9031029 and I will liaise with the many volunteers within the community who are very happy to help out.
Keep safe, keep healthy and, at all times, follow HSE / Government guidelines. Say a prayer, too, for all who have caught the virus and for all medical staff, carers and volunteers who are working so very hard at this time. (Fr. Martin)
St. Vincent de Paul (Foxford) – can provide help for those in Straide who may be in need of food or fuel. Contact (085) 8887777

Pope Francis Prayer of Protection Against Coronavirus

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain with steadfast faith.
You, Salvation of the Human Race, know what we need.
We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee,
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will
and to do what Jesus tells us:
He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us,
through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.
We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test -
– and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

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
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.

ACCORD Marriage Preparation Courses 2020 - 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.

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

Life after a bereavement - can feel empty and lonely. A Bereavement Support Group meets at the Family Centre, Knock Shrine every Wednesday at 11am. Anyone is welcome to attend. Further information from Monica Morley on (094) 9375320.

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.