



## Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Straide

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### Masses

October 17 & 18<sup>th</sup> 2020

*Masses are not open to the public to attend but are live streamed via the parish website.*

<b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>	Mary McLoughlin (Month's Mind)	Dublin / Straide
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00 am</b>	People of the Parish Community	
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Private Intention	
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.00 pm*</b>	Pauline Coyle (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)	Dublin
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>7.00 pm*</b>	Mary and Martin King & deceased of the Walsh family	Knockshanbally
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Private Intention	
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>7.00 pm*</b>	Paddy McKeown (5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)	Currane
<b>Saturday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>	Private Intention	
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00 am</b>	People of the Parish Community	

\*Please note - the later times of Mass on Tuesday (at 8.00 pm), Wednesday (at 7.00 pm) and Friday (at 7.00 pm).

**We remember in our prayers** – the soul of Seamus Ryan, Enniscrone and formerly of Aughaward, Straide who was buried in Enniscrone recently. Condolences to his sister Kathleen Bourke, Grallagh and the extended Ryan family. May he Rest in Peace.

**World Mission Sunday** - will be celebrated this weekend in parishes in over 120 countries. World Mission Sunday is a direct appeal from Pope Francis to give what you can, so that overseas missionaries can reach and care for suffering men, women, and children.

On World Mission Sunday, all Mission Mass collections, including those from the most impoverished churches in the developing world, will be offered to help further the reach of missionaries and mission. This appeal is a life-line, not only for missionaries, but also for the future of the Church.

Worryingly, it faces a crisis. The worldwide pandemic means that less congregations can physically attend Mass, resulting in fewer offerings in the basket. The implications for suffering overseas communities in the months ahead will be devastating.

Please, if you can, be extra generous this weekend. Your kindness will be used to fund the work of overseas missionaries who serve in some of the most impoverished and overcrowded communities in the world. To give what you can donate at [www.wmi/mission](http://www.wmi/mission), call Fiona in World Missions Ireland on 01 497 2035, or lodge money directly: IBAN - IE12 BOFI 9007 5456 9616 36, BIC - BOFIE2D, Account Name - Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Special envelopes are also available at the Church exits. These can be returned to the Church in due course.

**Online Masses** - All Masses from Straide Church are now streamed online from the parish website – [www.straideparish.com](http://www.straideparish.com). Hopefully, you will be able to join us for at least one of our Masses each week as we continue to worship God, as best we can, in these difficult times. I encourage families to set aside thirty minutes each week, perhaps on Saturday evening or Sunday morning, to be together online. You could light a candle and join all of us across the community in prayer. You could also let family members who are away from home know of the online service and they might like to join you and us also.

### Pope's Intentions for October - The Laity's Mission in the Church

*"We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church."*

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People** - ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, 0818 222 024.

**New Online "Offertory Collection" Donation Facility** – You can now make your Offertory Donation simply, conveniently and securely online at our parish website – [straideparish.com](http://straideparish.com). Many thanks to those who have already started to avail of this new facility. The feedback has been very positive and very encouraging. Thank you for your ongoing generosity & support. This facility, like the web cam, has been introduced for the convenience of parishioners

**Moy Davitt's News** - Congratulations to Ruby O'Brien, Bohola on winning €347 in the Moy Davitts 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 <https://smartlotto.ie/Bohola-moy-davitts>

**Altar Society for October** – Marian Tighe & Kathleen King

**Thought for the Day:** Make new friends but keep the old. One is silver, the other gold!

**Newsletter:** Items for inclusion to be handed into the Parochial House by 12pm on Thursday or email [pp@straideparish.com](mailto:pp@straideparish.com).

**Additional News Items** - are included in the online Newsletter on [www.straideparish.com](http://www.straideparish.com)

**Due to the country moving into Level 3 lockdown from midnight on October 6<sup>th</sup> the following now applies:**

- Masses will take place at the times listed in the Newsletter – but without a congregation present.
- Anniversary Masses already booked will continue to be said as originally scheduled (without a congregation) – unless families prefer to reschedule.
- Those who have the facility to do so, are encouraged to join in via online streaming – [www.straideparish.com](http://www.straideparish.com).
- The Church will continue to be open throughout the day for private prayer.
- Urgent sick calls will continue to be attended to. Admission of clergy to hospitals / care homes requires permission to be gained in advance from the facility. Such permission is given on a case by case basis.
- Funerals can have 25 people maximum in attendance.
- Baptisms are confined to parents, child and godparents only (All must be resident in the county).
- Offertory donations can be made online by those who are in a position to do so.

So, until we can join together again (when restrictions are lifted) do take care, keep safe and look out for one another.

Please feel free to make contact at any time if I can be of help – (094) 9031029.

**A thought on how we should receive Holy Communion** - Writing in the fourth century, St Cyril of Jerusalem has this to say: *'When you approach the altar, do not go stretching out your open hands or having your fingers spread out, but make the right hand into a throne for the left which will receive the King, and then cup your open hand and take the Body of Christ, reciting Amen.'* It's a lovely image of the hand being a throne for the King, the risen Lord Jesus, with whom we quite literally connect when we come to this sacrament.

**Do you want to learn more about mental health?** Have you experience with mental health challenges? Are you a family member/supporter or health professional? If yes, then join the MAYO RECOVERY COLLEGE this Autumn Winter at our free Online interactive audio/video classes. Log onto [www.recoverycollegewest.ie](http://www.recoverycollegewest.ie) for our Prospectus. Please contact Karen McHale, Principal Recovery Educator 086 0294901 [recovery.educatormrc@hse.ie](mailto:recovery.educatormrc@hse.ie) to register.

**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

**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.

**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](http://www.straideparish.com)) – as can all parish policies.

**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](http://www.knockshrine.ie/counselling)

**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](mailto:accordcharlestown@gmail.com).

**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.