



Ss. Peter & Paul's Church, Straide

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Masses

Second Sunday of Christmas January 2nd & 3rd 2021

Saturday 2nd 7.30 pm
Sunday 3rd 11.00 am
Monday 4th 10.00 am
Tuesday 5th 10.00 am
Wednesday 6th 10.00 am
7.00 pm
Thursday 7th 10.00 am
Friday 8th 7.00 pm
Saturday 9th 7.30 pm
Sunday 10th 11.00 am

Bertie Rainey, his son Dominic and Dominic's wife Carmel, and deceased Blanemore
 People of the Parish Community
 Private Intention
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 Feast of the Epiphany
 Michael Maloney (Month's Mind) brother Patrick & parents Joe and Bridie Maloney Str Road
 Private Intention
 Mary Ellen and James McHugh & daughter Breege Reilly Blanemore
 Patrick, Agnes and Delia Mulroy Gurranard
 People of the Parish Community



All Masses from Straide Church - are now streamed online from the parish website – www.straideparish.com. Unfortunately, during this present level of lock down, it is not possible to have parishioners present at Masses. However, the Church remains open throughout the day for private visits and prayer.

Level 5 Coronavirus Guidance for Churches

Under Level 5 restrictions all Masses are online. The church will be open, as usual, for private visits.

During this period all Masses from the church will take place as usual, but without a congregation present

Mass Intentions (Anniversaries etc): Those already booked will take place as originally scheduled, unless the family wish to postpone. Due to the uncertainty surrounding church reopening, it is not possible to offer a rescheduled date.

All Masses are available online at straideparish.com

Baptisms: These can go ahead with minimum numbers (the baby, parents, godparents, and celebrant only)

Weddings: are allowed with numbers limited to 6 people.

Funerals are limited to 10 people.

Please Keep Safe when in the church: Use sanitizer gel; wear a face covering and keep a safe distance.

We welcome into the Christian Community – Jack Thomas Giblin who was baptised recently. We wish him, his parents and all associated with him, the abundance of God's blessings at this very special time.

Happy New Year! Many people were not sad to say goodbye to 2020, as it had been such a particularly challenging one for them and had brought much sadness. Today is the first day of a brand New Year. We hope it will bring health and happiness to all and allow family and friends to be together once again. In the meantime, we must stay safe, take care, and look out for one another.

Western Care Association - are going to travel around the globe virtually to raise funds to enhance services throughout the county, we need your help to complete this challenge. We are looking for 150 volunteers to walk, jog or run virtually around the globe in aid of Western Care Association, starting from 12th of January to 2nd April 2021. For more information contact Michael by emailing mflanagan@westerncare.com to find out more. Registration for the event is €10 per person. Please support.

HELPLINES

ALONE Covid-19 Support Line for Older People: 0818 222 024 (Every day, 8am to 8pm).

Senior Line: Ireland's national confidential service for older people. *Freephone 1800 80 45 91* (10am - 10pm daily).

Foxford Friend on Phone Service: For information, call Foxford Leisure Centre on 094-9257684

Please visit and support - the 2020 Coolegrane Christmas lights at Coolegrane, Foxford. This spectacular display runs from December 8th to January 6th. This year's proceeds are for the O'Dwyer Cheshire Home & Mayo Cheshire Transport fund towards upgraded accessible transport for the people they support. Coolegrane Lights are signposted from the Foxford / Callow road.

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.

You can now make your Offertory Donations - simply, conveniently and securely online at our parish website – straideparish.com. Many thanks to those who use this new facility. Thank you for your ongoing generosity & support.

Offertory & Christmas Collections - Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the Offertory & Church Conservation and Christmas collections. Thanks, also, to those who donated online. Your great generosity is, as always, very much appreciated. Many thanks again. Happy New Year to all.

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

Thought for the day: There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind (C.S. Lewis)

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

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

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.

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

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.

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.