



## Ss. Peter & Paul's Church, Straide

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### Masses

<b>Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	8:00 pm	Private Intention
<b>Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup></b>	11:00 am	People of the Parish Community
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00 am	Private Intention
<b>Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00 pm*	Private Intention
<b>Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00 pm*	Mary and Martin King & deceased of the Walsh family Knockshanbally
<b>Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00 am	Private Intention
<b>Friday, 29<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00 pm*	Pat Foy                  Currane
<b>Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup></b>	8:00 pm	Paddy McKeown & deceased of the McKeown family Currane
<b>Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup></b>	11:00 am	People of the Parish Community

**October 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> 2021**

\***Please note** - the later time of Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday of this coming week - at 7.00 pm.

**Mission Sunday** - is held this year on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> (this weekend). It is a day set aside each year to reflect on the work of missionaries around the world. The annual collection for the support of the Missions is taken up on that day. Envelopes for that purpose are in the box of Offertory Envelopes. Loose envelopes are also available at the exits.

**Silence is Sacred** - Please make sure mobile phones are turned off while in the church, especially during Mass times. Please, also, refrain from talking at any time while in church. Remember, while in church we are in God's presence.

**A big Thank You** - to Fr. John Cunningham who joined us for last weekend's Masses. We thank him for his presence. Thanks, also, to those who opened and closed the Church each day.

**Parish Loan Repayment Envelopes** - are, at present, being distributed to parishioners' homes. Many thanks to those who are doing the distribution and, of course, to all who support this cause. Donations to this, and all collections, can also be made securely and conveniently online at the parish website - www.straideparish.com.

**Mass Intentions** - for weekend Masses are now being taken again. This is possible due to the larger numbers allowed.

**Easing of Covid Restrictions** - The government / HSE have advised that restrictions on indoor religious services can be eased from October 2<sup>nd</sup>. However, we must continue to be careful. Masses this weekend (October 23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup>) will be conducted as in recent weeks. From next weekend (October 30<sup>th</sup> / 31<sup>st</sup>), the following will apply for the time being:

- \* Every second pew / seat will remain sealed off. This allows up to 100 to be present and socially distanced.
  - \* Additional pews / seats can be made available for larger numbers, if required, on any given occasion.
  - \* Holy Communion will be distributed at the appropriate time (as in pre-covid days).
  - \* Readers can read from the lectern in the sanctuary or from the gallery if they so wish.
  - \* No hand shaking at the Sign of Peace.
  - \* Keep sanitizing the hands on entering and leaving the Church.
  - \* Wearing a face covering is still obligatory.
  - \* Newsletters are single use items. If you take one upon entering the Church, please bring it home - do not discard it.
  - \* Standing at the back of Church during Mass continues to be prohibited.
  - \* Collections will be taken up in the same manner as in recent weeks - i.e. baskets will not be passed about.
- Many thanks for your co-operation over the past months. Your actions have kept yourself (and others) safe & healthy. Please continue to observe the guidelines and do not let your guard slip.*

**A Bereavement Course** - presented by Monica Morley, Director of the Knock Shrine Family Centre and Broadcaster is due to commence Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 8pm at The Newman Institute, Ballina. The cost of the course is €60 and will run for 4 Tuesday nights. To book a place please phone 096 72066 or email reception@newman.ie

**Medjugorje Weekend Retreat in Knock Shrine** Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> Oct - Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Oct. (Organised by the Medjugorje Council of Ireland) Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Our Lady's Apparitions. Special Guest: Fr. Miro Sego, Parish Priest of Citluk. Admission by ticket only - 30 Euro (limited to 200). Please contact Bernadette - 086 8196653 to register.

**The HSE Living Well Programme** - The HSE are running a health programme free of charge for people living with a long term health condition (mental & physical). This programme helps people develop the skills and confidence to live a healthy and happy life. For more information or to book your place please contact Olga on 086 6078950, or email olga.maguire@mayocil.ie or visit www.hse.ie/livingwell.

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

### Offertory Collection Rota for October

**Saturday Evening:** Maureen Maloney & Julia Molloy / **Sunday Morning:** Pdraig Doherty & Kevin Bogue

**Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw** - Congratulations to Karen Bowes on winning €363 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Saturday morning. 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>

**Thought for the Day:** Fools vent their anger, but the wise quietly hold it back (Book of Proverbs 29:11).

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

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People** – ALONE Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open 7 days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

**Bereavement Support Group- Knock Shrine:** Life after a family bereavement can feel very lonely. Sometimes spending time with others who know the experience can be helpful. A Bereavement Support Group meets every Wednesday at 11am at the Family Centre, Knock. All are welcome. Monica Morley at Knock Shrine: 094-9375320.

**Banking at the Post Office** – Ballyvary Post Office is pleased to offer the following services:

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



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**The Newman Institute in Ballina** - plans to run the *Foundation in Counselling* course again this Autumn. It is a one-year part-time course which will begin 7<sup>th</sup> October and will run for 26 Thursday nights from 7pm to 10pm until 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022. There are also two Saturdays from 10am to 5pm to attend. Some people complete the course as a first step to train as a counsellor while others participate for their own self development or to help them to cope better in their workplace or family life. The cost of the course is €1,200 which can be paid in instalments. There is a deposit of €100 required to secure a place on the course and this will be deducted from the full price. Please email [reception@newman.ie](mailto:reception@newman.ie) for enquiries or phone (096) 72066 for further details.

**Western Care Association's Annual Door To Door Collection** - is now taking place during September. To donate, find us on Facebook "Western Care Association" or on [www.idonate.ie/wcador](http://www.idonate.ie/wcador) or on [www.westerncare.com](http://www.westerncare.com).

**Covid-19 Collect and Deliver Service** - Local Link Mayo is offering a collect and deliver service in existing Local Link routes throughout Mayo from pharmacies and local shops, delivering shopping and critical medical supplies to the elderly, the vulnerable and sick. If you need such support or know someone who does, contact Local Link Mayo on 094-9005150 between 9:00am and 5:00pm (Monday - Friday) or email [mayo@locallink.ie](mailto:mayo@locallink.ie).

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

#### 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 extremely hard at this time.

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

**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.