

Ss. Peter & Paul's Church, Straide

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Masses

Good Shepherd Sunday May 7th & 8th 2022

Saturday, 7th	8:00 pm	Jack and Annie Loftus / Pat and Trudy Loftus / Michael Carney
Sunday, 8th	11:00 am	First Holy Communion
Monday 9th	10:00 am	People of the Parish Community
Tuesday, 10th	-----	No Mass
Wednesday, 11th	10:00 am	Private Intention
Thursday, 12th	10:00 am	Private Intention
Friday, 13th	10:00 am	Private Intention
Saturday, 14th	8:00 pm	Tom Lavin & John McKeown Aughalisky
Sunday, 15th	11:00 am	Pat Smyth (6 th Anniv.) Wood Cottage, Blanemore



We remember in our prayers – the soul of Breege McGowan who died during the week. R.I.P.

Good Shepherd Sunday is on May 8th - a day when pray for Vocations. The annual Vocations Collection is taken up this weekend. There is an envelope for this purpose in the box of Offertory Envelopes.

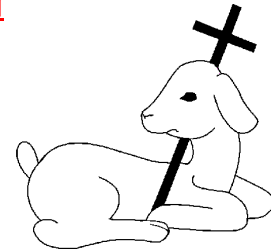
We welcome into the Christian community – Ella May Kelly & Clodagh Delia McHale who were baptized recently. We congratulate them and their parents (Noel and Maria & Nigel and Attracta) and wish them God's Blessings.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to – Debbie Locke and Patrick Ruane who are united in the sacrament of Marriage last Sunday afternoon. We wish them many years of happiness together in the future.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REFLECTION



As you take your First Communion
Remember that God's your friend.
Remember He's always loved you
and that His love will never end.
Take comfort in knowing
that He is always there.
May you always feel the comfort
of being sheltered in His care.



Congratulations and Best Wishes to Emelia, Eoghan, Erris, Fionn, Leah, Maeve and Mia

Blessing for Expectant Mothers - On Saturday, May 14th, a blessing ceremony for all parents who are expecting a baby, will take place in the Basilica at Knock Shrine at 11am. It will include a short prayer for protection and safe delivery with an individual blessing for all mothers-to-be, who are present. All are welcome.

We recommend—that masks continue to be worn in Church for the time being. There is no *legal* requirement to do so.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock – takes place on Sunday, 15th May. Anointing of the sick will take place at 2.30pm in the basilica. Mass will take place at 3.00 pm in the basilica with rosary procession.

Trocaire Boxes – Please remember to return Trocaire Boxes to the Church.

Please - let Fr. Martin know if you wish to be included on his monthly visitation list which has resumed again.

All Ireland Rosary Rally – will be held at Knock Shrine on Saturday, June 4th commencing at 1.30 pm. The afternoon will include Talk, Rosary, Stations of the Cross and Mass. The chief celebrant will be Archbishop Jude Okolo, Papal Nuncio to Ireland. Bishop Michael Duignan will preach. Rosary talk will be by Fr. Marius O'Reilly.

Church roof apex ridge tiles – will be sealed over the coming weeks. They have been letting in water during winter storms. It will entail scaffolding being erected on the front car park side of the church building. The work should not take more than 2 weeks

Foxford Social Club (formerly Foxford Daycare) - are now accepting new members. The club is suitable for people in the early to moderate stages of dementia, people with early On-Set dementia, people living in rural isolation as well as people living on their own and in need of company. The club operates weekly Monday to Friday. For more information call (094) 9256662 or email factmanager101@gmail.com.

Bereavement Support Group at 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 Wed at 11am at the Family Centre, Knock. All are welcome. More information from Monica Morley Knock 094-9375320.

Donations to all collections - can be made securely and conveniently online at www.straideparish.com.

Many thanks - to all who use this facility and to all who contribute to, and support, the running costs of the church.

Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw - Congratulations to Joyce McMahon who won €436 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Saturday. Tickets are available in the usual retail outlets and <https://smartlotto.ie/Bohola-moy-davitts>

Thought for the Day: We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone (Ronald Regan).

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

Foxford & Straide Meals on Wheels Service: Volunteer drivers urgently required to deliver meals two days per month. Each run takes approximately one hour. We would like to acknowledge and thank very sincerely our loyal drivers who have been keeping the service going for years, and especially during the last two years of this Covid pandemic. Without these drivers our service could not continue. We can provide meals from Monday to Saturday at a cost of €5 per meal. To avail of this service please contact Geraldine on mobile 087 9040463 or landline 094 9256614.

Rosters for May 2022

Ministers of the Word: May:	Saturday Evening:	Claire Doherty & Tracey Barrett
	Sunday Morning:	Kathleen Canning & Myra Keenan
Prayers of the Faithful: May:	Saturday Evening:	Tracey Barrett
	Sunday Morning:	Kathleen Canning
Offertory Collectors: May:	Saturday Evening:	Marian McHale & Vincent Foy
	Sunday Morning:	Michael McNicholas & Geraldine Hynes



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.

Mayo Cancer Support - offers a range of emotional support to people with cancer and their families. Call 094 9038407 for information.

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.

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.

A prayer for Ukraine



Loving God,
 We pray for the people of Ukraine,
 for all those suffering or afraid,
 that you will be close to them and protect them.
 We pray for world leaders,
 for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.
 We pray for the world
 that in this moment of crisis,
 we may reach out in solidarity
 to our brothers and sisters in need.
 May we walk in your ways
 so that peace and justice
 become a reality for the people of Ukraine
 and for all the world.
 Amen



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.

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

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



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