

Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter



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Newsletter available on mayo.ie website and [Straide Parish Facebook page](#)

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 30th June 2024

The Week Ahead

Saturday, June 29 th .	8.00pm * Bohola	Annie & Martin Groarke, Ballyglass & deceased family.
Sunday, June 30 th .	9.30am * Shraheens 11.00am Straide	Private Intention. For all the People.
<i>No Weekday Masses – Fr. O'Mahony on holidays.</i>		
Tuesday, July 2 nd .	7.30 – 8.30pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.
Wednesday, July 3 rd .	10.00am – 12 noon 5.00 – 10.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. (<i>Blessed Sacrament Chapel</i>)
Saturday, July 6 th .	8.00pm Straide	Bernadette (Bernie) Loftus (née Forde), Aughaliska (Month's Mind) and her husband, John. Catriona Canning, Ballylahan. (4 th Anniversary) Baby Isabel Jordan and deceased of Malee & Jordan families.
Sunday, July 7 th .	9.30am <i>Shraheens</i> 11.00am * <i>Bohola</i>	For all the People. Mary Lavin Dunleavy, Altinea.. Marion Clarke (19 th Anniversary), her husband Micksie, and deceased of Clarke and McDonnell families. Mary Mulroy, Carragolda & deceased of Mulroy family.
The Bohola weekend Mass will be live-streamed on the Bohola Post Facebook Page every weekend. Any other Bohola Masses are put online when requested. (Marked with * above) All Bohola Masses will be broadcast on the 105.5 FM Radio channel. All Straide Masses can be seen live on www.straideparish.com or www.churchtv.ie/straide.		

Recent Deaths: Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of the following:

John Campbell (JP), Ballycroy & London, who died on Monday, June 17th. He was the brother of Helen O'Brien, Treenduff. His remains will repose at the Grealis Funeral Home, Mulranny (F28XK12) this Sunday from 3pm to 6:30pm. Funeral Mass on Monday in the Church of the Holy Family, Ballycroy at 12 noon with burial afterwards in the local cemetery.

Joe McNicholas, Altbaun, who died on Thursday, June 20th and whose funeral took place in Bohola on Sunday last.

Ray Armstrong, Burriss, Manulla, who died on Friday, June 21st and whose funeral took place in Keelogue on Monday last. He was the brother-in-law of Geraldine McNicholas, Brackley.

We extend sympathy to their families and pray they are at peace.

Baptism: On Saturday last, June 22nd in Bohola we were delighted to welcome **Jamie Dylan Dooley**, Barley Hill Court, into God's family. Congratulations to his parents, Elaine and Shane, his godparents and the wider family circle and we wish them every blessing for the future.

Holidays! Fr. O'Mahony will be away on holidays until July 26th. Hopefully there will be no need, but in case of emergency please contact Swinford ([087-1338200](tel:087-1338200)), Fr Micheal Quinn, Kiltimagh ([087-9082342](tel:087-9082342)) or Fr. Pdraig Costello, Foxford ([087-242-2273](tel:087-242-2273)).

Post Mass Tea/ Coffee: Special thanks to Mary Sewell and Barbara Conlon of the Bohola Pastoral Council for organising and executing the gathering (not the parishioners!) after Mass last Saturday evening and for being the perfect hostesses. It was enjoyed by all who attended, the only shadow being cast by the execution of Mayo in the penalty shoot-out! Hopefully we will do it all again, leaving out the penalties!

Offertory Envelopes for the year beginning next weekend, July 6th / 7th, are now available in church. Our parishes are indebted to all those who contribute so generously to the offertory collection throughout the year. This is the money that pays for the day to day running of the churches and all the overheads such as insurance, electricity and gas bills, church supplies and ongoing maintenance among other expenses. Thanks also for your continued support of the priest's collections and the other various collections through the year. If anybody wishes to be added to the list, that will not be a problem! Just let us know.

The Annual Maria Goretti Novena began in Collooney Church on Friday last and continues until next Saturday, July 6th. Mass is celebrated each evening at 8.00pm with Rosary and Confessions beforehand. Further details are on www.kilvarnetparish.com/novena.

Knock Youth Ministry Summer Camp for Girls: Applications now open for Knock Youth Ministries Summer Camp for girls in 5th and 6th class, on from August 6th to 9th. For bookings please contact us on [094-9375321](tel:094-9375321) or email youthministry@knockshrine.ie.



22nd & 23rd:

Bohola:

€599.

Straide:

Envelopes - €222.

Loose - €50.80.

Restoration - €0.

Thanks for all your contributions.

All-Ireland RALLY FOR LIFE takes place in Dublin next Saturday, July 6th, assembling at Parnell Square at 1.00pm. Join thousands at the biggest and most exciting pro-life event of the year as pro-life people from across the country join together to **Stand for Life**. We're marching to demand the government acts as the heart-breaking rise in abortions continues - The Department of Health on Friday evening released the total number of notifications received last year for abortions carried out in Ireland. It shows there were 10,033 abortions in 2023 – the highest number on record since the law changed in 2019. So much for "RARE"!

Commenting on the latest figures, Pro Life Campaign spokesperson Eilís Mulroy said: "The colossal 250% increase in abortions since the new law took effect is extremely troubling. The total lack of concern shown by the Government towards this tragedy and loss of life needs to end. Senior members of the current government who oversaw the introduction of the new abortion regime promised that abortions would be "rare" if people voted in the referendum six years ago to allow it. When questioned, these same members of government run for cover or make glib and cavalier remarks whenever Ireland's spiralling abortion rate is raised. They have a responsibility to take ownership for what they created. The Government's decision to release the latest figures after 7pm on a Friday evening shows how much the Government wants to hide from a debate on the appalling situation they have created."

We're joining together to demand they look at life-saving measures like support for women; extending the 3-day wait period; and a Heartbeat Bill. JOIN with people of all ages, with family and friends, to show the government and the Nation that we must **STOP ABORTING OUR FUTURE** – and love both mother and child.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, June 30th: A Grateful Day "It is not happiness that makes us grateful. It is gratefulness that makes us happy. Every moment is a gift. ... Whatever life gives to you, you can respond with joy. Joy is the happiness that does not depend on what happens. It is the response to the opportunity that life offers you at this moment." These words are from a video by Brother David Steindl-Rast. A Benedictine monk for over 70 years, now 97-year old Brother David was formed by 20th Century catastrophes. In 2000, he co-founded 'A Network for Grateful Living', an organisation dedicated to gratefulness as a transformative influence for individuals and society. The organisation offers practices and resources for those seeking a more awake, joyful, and meaning-filled life. Watch "A Grateful Day", his short and marvellously uplifting video at: www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

Foxford Meals on Wheels Service are looking for a person to help out in the preparation of dinners in their kitchen 5 mornings per week. In addition to food preparation, successful applicants will be required to carry out cleaning duties in the kitchen area. Applicants must meet the requirements to participate on a Community Employment Scheme. Usual criteria apply. Email application to socialservicesfoxford@gmail.com.

Mini Ceili in Straide Davitt Community Hall continues every Sunday night at 8.30pm. Set Dancing plus a Waltz and a Jive. Refreshments served. Admission: €8.

Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw: Congratulations to Natasha Harrison, Kilkelly who won a jackpot of €441 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Saturday. 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 and by playing on the club app (Moy Davitts GAA).

Social Bingo continues every Monday in The Sheridan Community Centre, Bohola. Doors open at 8.30pm for a **9.00 start**.

Acts of Union - Mixed Marriage in Modern Ireland: Individuals interested in taking part in a survey for academic research study, please contact Dr Alison Garden (a.garden@qub.ac.uk) or Dr Ruth Duffy (r.duffy@qub.ac.uk). Your experiences and stories will contribute to understanding the realities of mixed relationships and have benefits for Irish society.

Mayo Recovery College will facilitate a suite of mental health & wellbeing modules taking place on the following dates throughout July in Castlebar (online option also); Tuesday 2nd 10am 'Self Esteem', Thursday 11th 5pm 'Self Compassion', Tuesday 16th 10am 'Hope' and Thursday 25th 5pm 'Happiness & Contentment'. Call/Text Karen McHale on [086-0294901](tel:086-0294901) or email recovery.educatormrc@hse.ie to register. www.recoverycollegewest.ie. New and existing participants are welcome.

MindSpace Mayo: MindSpace Mayo offers a free support service to young people (12-25yrs) in Co. Mayo, presenting with anything from common concerns (e.g. dealing with break-up, exam stress, bullying) to emerging mental health difficulties like mild depression and anxiety. MindSpace is located in Market Square, Castlebar and anyone can make a referral. Visit www.mindspacemayo.ie or call [094-9067001](tel:094-9067001).

Pop Up Gaeltacht /Campa Samhraidh De hÍde: A summer preparatory intensive Irish course for Leaving Cert students facilitated by Tomás P.Ó Móráin (O.S., B.A., M.Ed., A.T.O., A.T.G.) will run from July 8th to July 12th from 10am to 4pm at Tarmon National School, Castlerea, Eircode F45K298. In addition to the classes there will be plenty of fun activities as Gaeilge, Tráth na gCeist, Tóraiocht Taisce, Ceol, Crosfhocail, Damshaí Gaelacha. For Enquiries please contact Jessica on [085-7441902](tel:085-7441902).

See also Extended Online Newsletter on [Straide Parish Facebook](#) page or on www.straideparish.com.

Deep summer is when laziness finds respectability! (Sam Keen)

Extended Online Newsletter

SeniorLine - Would like someone to talk to? SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year from 10am to 10pm, Freephone [1800 80 45 91](tel:1800804591). Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. Phone SeniorLine [1800 80 45 91](tel:1800804591), open every day of the year, 10am to 10pm.

Home Sharers Required: Would you be interested in sharing your home and supporting an individual with a disability for a few hours per day, a couple of days per month, or longer term? [Western Care](#) are looking for single people/couples/families, to provide respite breaks for children and adults in your own home across County Mayo. If you are interested and/or would like further information about Home Sharing, please contact Ruth Kneafsey, Home Share Co-ordinator on [094-9029148](tel:0949029148) or on [087-6811261](tel:0876811261). Thank you.

Considering a Postgraduate Study Programme? Check out the options in Theology, Philosophy, Youth Ministry, Chaplaincy, Church Music and more at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth, sppu.ie/courses. Applications close soon.

Postgraduate and Mission & Ministries Programmes at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. Programme applications close from 30th June to 30th August for different programmes. Visit sppu.ie/courses for more information.

Cemetery Masses: Mass will be celebrated in St Joseph's Cemetery, Bohola on Saturday, August 3rd at 6.00pm and in Straide Cemetery on Sunday, August 4th at 11.00am.

VAKS Programme: Applications are now open for VAKS (Volunteer at Knock Shrine) programme. It is an opportunity for young people in TY, 5th and 6th year to come to Knock to volunteer for a weekend in either July or August. This is a great way to meet new friends, serve others, express your faith and have fun! It is a particularly exciting opportunity this year as we launch our new state of the art Youth Village this summer! For further information, please check out our website www.knockshrine.ie/vaks-volunteer-at-knock-shrine or contact us on [094-9375321](tel:0949375321) or email youthministry@knockshrine.ie.

ALONE Volunteer Recruitment Drive for Older People: 'Hi, my name is Paul Stafford and I am the Volunteer Support Officer for ALONE and your local community. I am looking for volunteers in Galway and Mayo and its surrounding areas for older people who need befriending for up to one hour per week and/or telephone support for up to two hours per week. Our befriending programme is designed to help older people combat loneliness and isolation. We need your help more than ever. If this is something that interests you, then please reach out to me on [086-0135043](tel:0860135043), email paul.stafford@alone.ie or follow the link <https://alone.tfaforms.net/f/ALONE-Volunteer-Expression-of-Interest-2021>.

Cemetery Masses: Advance notification for those away and at home who may be making plans for the summer - Mass will be celebrated in St Joseph's Cemetery, Bohola on Saturday, **August 3rd at 6.00pm** and in Straide Cemetery on Sunday, **August 4th at 11.00am**. Say a prayer that the weather will be somewhat kinder than last year, especially in Bohola!

Millions Facing Starvation in Ethiopia: All are encouraged to please pray for the people of Tigray in Ethiopia, where drought and civil war have left many in crisis and in danger of starvation. Mary's Meals feeds tens of thousands of children one meal in each school day in the region. If you feel called to support our mission and help us reach more children, please visit marysmeals.ie or contact [01-8535163](tel:018535163). Thank you.

'Take the Risk for Christ'. Priesthood in Achonry Diocese: Have you the courage to "Take the Risk for Christ"? Contact our Vocations Director, Fr Paul Kivlehan, The Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen, Co. Roscommon. Tel. [094-9860011](tel:0949860011), **Mobile 087-3683535**, E-mail pkivlehan@achonrydiocese.org or contact any local priest for more information.

Free Advertising with Mayo PPN: Are you holding a community event/activity? Email your details with a Jpeg poster to mayoppn@mayococo.ie. We will circulate via the PPN social media platforms to our 1,000 plus community groups.

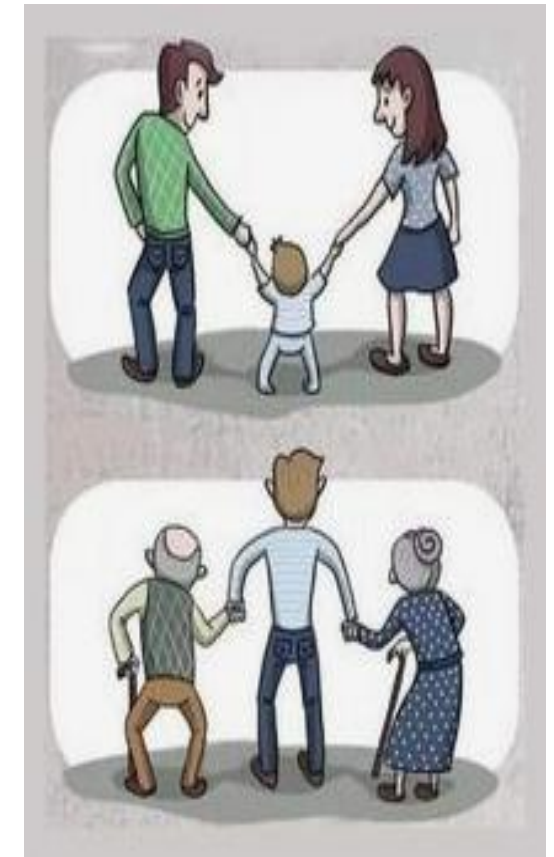
Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024: Dioceses of Killala and Achonry Pilgrimage to Lourdes, under the leadership of Bishop John Fleming, Bishop Emeritus of Killala will take place from July 18th to 23rd, departing from Knock. Five nights full board accommodation in the Hotel Agena costs €929 (single rooms available, supplement applies). Main Pilgrimage bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours by phone on [01-2410800](tel:012410800) or Email info@joewalshstours.ie. Book online at www.joewalshstours.ie/tours/killala-achonry-diocesan-lourdes-pilgrimage-2024. No booking is definite until a non-refundable deposit of €300 has been received by Joe Walsh Tours. A limited number of places are available in the Assisted Section. Contact Eileen on [086-401 3897](tel:0864013897).

RHS Home Care is a Non Commercial Home Care Provider bringing professional home care services to those who need assistance to remain living in their own homes. We are now recruiting new Healthcare Assistants in your area and would love to hear from you. Potential applicants must have the required QQI level 5 (two modules completed care skills and care of the older person). Please email you CV to jobs@rhshomecare.ie or call Aoife on [090-6625988](tel:0906625988).

Fr. Peyton Centre and Mission Centre Opening Hours: Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5.30pm. The Centre will be opened on Saturdays from 25th May until the end of September from 12.00pm until 5.00pm. Tel: [096-45374](tel:09645374).
Fr. Peyton Mission Office, Main Street Knock, F12 Y8 H2. Opening Hours: Wednesday till Sunday 10am to 3pm.

WHEN PARENTS GET OLD ...

- Let them grow old with the same love that they let you grow.
- Let them speak and tell repeated stories with the same patience and interest that they heard yours as a child.
- Let them overcome, like so many times when they let you win.
- Let them enjoy their friends just as they let you.
- Let them enjoy the talks with their grandchildren, because they see you in them.
- Let them enjoy living among the objects that have accompanied them for a long time, because they suffer when they feel that you tear pieces of this life away.
- Let them be wrong, like so many times you have been wrong and they didn't embarrass you by correcting you. - LET THEM LIVE and try to make them happy the last stretch of the path they have left to go; give them your hand, just like they gave you their hand when you started your path!



The Youth 2000 Summer Festival takes place from August 15th to 18th in Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare - save the date! Join us for a weekend of festivities: talks, testimonies praise & worship, and workshops. Donation only. Check out Youth2000.ie for more information.