

Straide/Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter

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Easter Sunday – 20th April 2025



The Week Ahead

Saturday, April 19 th .	9.00pm Bohola	The Easter Vigil.
Sunday, April 20 th .	6.30am Straide 9.30am Shraheens	Dawn Mass of the Resurrection. (Straide Abbey) Delia & Brian Corrigan, their son Bernard and deceased of Corrigan & Clarke families.
Monday, April 21 st .	11.00am	Private Intention.
Tuesday, April 22 nd .	11.00am 7.00 – 8.00pm 8.00pm Straide	Funeral Mass of Tom McEvaddy. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide. Margaret McKeown, Currane (3 rd Anniversary), her husband, Paddy and deceased of Connolly & McKeown families.
Wednesday, April 23 rd .	10.00am 5.00 – 9.00pm	Private Intention.....(Adoration follows until 12 noon) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Thursday, April 24 th .	11.00am Straide	Funeral Mass of Sr Antonia Walsh.
Friday, April 25 th .	7.00pm Straide	Frank & Molly Horkan, Grallagh.
Saturday, April 26 th .	8.00pm Bohola	P.J. Burke, Carragolda (10 th Anniversary) & parents Patrick & Celia. John Aitken, his wife Menia, their son George and deceased members of the Aitken Family.
Sunday, April 27 th .	9.30am Shraheens 11.00am Straide	Den and Jan Rowland and deceased members of the Rowland and Williams families, Ballyvary. Kathleen Tunney, Blanemore. (1 st Anninersary) Eileen Rainey, Blanemore. (20 th Anninersary) Bill Curry, Kiltimagh (21 st Anniversary) & his wife Rose.
All Masses in Straide (www.churchtv.ie/straide/) and Bohola (www.churchtv.ie/bohola/) are live-streamed. Shraheens Mass will be live-streamed on the Bohola Post Facebook Page when requested. (Marked by * above) All Bohola Masses will be broadcast on the 105.5 FM Radio channel.		

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

Tom McEvaddy, Bohola, who died on Wednesday last, April 16th. His remains will repose in O'Hara's Funeral Home, Kiltimagh on Monday evening from 5.00 to 7.00pm and will arrive for funeral Mass in Bohola at 11.00am on Tuesday morning. Burial afterwards in the New Cemetery, Bohermore, Galway.

Sr Antonia Walsh, Kiln Green, Berkshire and formerly of Blanemore, who died on April 2nd. Her remains will repose in Straide Community Hall on next Wednesday evening from 5.30pm with removal to Straide church at 7pm. Funeral Mass on Thursday morning at 11.00am with burial afterwards in Straide Cemetery.

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

He is Risen!

Fake news was what they thought it was. News of a risen body after a tortuous death that everyone knew about. The apostles refused to believe the women. It would take time for the truth to sink in, and then their world was never the same again.

For this they needed to remember what Jesus had said, that he would be put to death and rise on the third day. He said it so often that we might think they would have remembered and believed. Faith takes time. Faith is built on memory of the past and Presence of Jesus in the now.

The Easter Vigil and Mass is a grace-filled joyful occasion, marked with colour, music, ritual and prayer. We look on it as the highlight of the Church's year. It is remembered at every Mass and at funerals and baptism with the lighting of the Easter candle.

The resurrection of Jesus grounds our faith: it is what brings us through the worst of life, and makes even better the joy of life. His risen body is not limited by earthly space and because of this Easter mystery we can always sense and know the presence of Jesus Christ in our lives.

Happy Easter! (Donal Neary SJ)



12th / 13th:

Bohola:

€908.

Straide:

€501

Thanks for all
your contributions.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, April 20th: Hallelujah! ... This week we bring you a thrilling Handel's Hallelujah. The 300 + members of the world-famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir combined with over 2,000 voices in the largest ever performance of Handel's famous chorus. It was performed during the COVID lockdown by a virtual choir comprising singers of all nationalities, creeds and colour, brought together by the same technology that we often turned to in our isolation. However little we may feel like rejoicing in an increasingly troubled world, listening to this will serve as a powerful reminder that even the longest Good Friday leads to the transcendence of Resurrection. Watch and listen at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

'Live Life' National Youth Retreat at Knock Shrine: On May 8th students from all over the country will gather in Knock Shrine to celebrate the life of Donal Walsh and to reflect on his message - to 'Live Life!' If you are interested in learning more about the day or registering a group please email youthministry@knockshrine.ie.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025: Elphin & Achonry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, under the leadership of Bishop Kevin Doran, will take place from 29th August to 4th September departing from Knock. Five nights in full board accommodation from €969 (single room supplement applies). All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours on 01-2410800 or email info@joewalstours.ie. A non-refundable deposit of €350 per person (plus insurance premium if applicable) is required at time of booking. Balances are due 12 weeks before departure. Pilgrims who would like to travel with the Special Assisted Section should apply to the Parish Office: Very. Rev. Ray Milton, Parochial House, St. Johns, Lecarrow, Co. Roscommon, F42 P840. Telephone (090) 6661115. The closing date for applications is Monday, 16th June.

Trócaire Lenten Campaign 2025: Please return your Trócaire Box or envelope donation as soon as possible and it would be greatly appreciated if you could convert coins into notes.

The Michael Davitt Museum Celebrating Women in Irish History: Our next lecture is taking place at 7pm on Thursday, 8th May titled: 'Through Women's Eyes: two centuries of rebellion in Ireland'. Entry fee €5. Email booking: info@michaeldavittmuseum.ie or book online with [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com). As places are limited we ask that you book in advance, those who book in advance will receive priority entry.

Catholic Mothers Ireland Fundraising Easter Raffle: Win a trip to Medjugorje with Marian Pilgrimages plus lots more lovely prizes. Call 085-1471516 to purchase tickets. 1 for €5, 3 for €10, 10 for €30, 20 for €50. A lovely Easter gift.

Dementia Activity Club: Come join a new Early stage Dementia Activity Club for a journey of fun, adventure, day trips, social outings and much more. It is for people with dementia and their family/carers. Come and join us to be part of a community that celebrates life and creates memories. The club commences on April 24th at 1pm in Lough Lannagh Village Main Hall, F23 VW73. You can contact Marie Philbin on 087-1708706 or marie.philbin@alzheimer.ie.

Mayo Cancer Support (Rock Rose House) Church Gate Collection will take place in Bohola and Shraheens on the weekend of April 19th/20th. Please support this local charity that offers free emotional support to all affected by cancer. See www.mayocancersupport.ie. If anyone can volunteer to assist with the collections, please contact Rose on 083-4890754.

Social Bingo continues every Monday in The Sheridan Community Centre, Bohola. Doors open at 8.00pm for 8.30pm start.

Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw: Congratulations to Sandra Hall who won a jackpot of €406 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Saturday. Thanks to everyone who supported the draw, it is greatly appreciated. Tickets are available in the usual retail outlets and by playing on the club app (Moy Davitts GAA).

Mayo PPN Information Evening

Breaffy House Hotel - Tues 29th April 2025 at 7pm

Agenda includes:

Ombudsman

Sage Advocacy - National Advocacy Service for Older People

Development of Mayo PPN Linkage Groups

New Biodiversity Action Plan for County Mayo

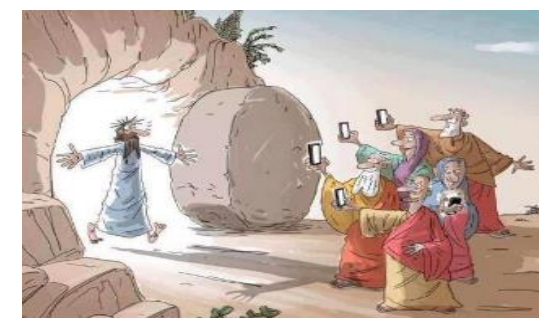
Clann Credo – Community Loan Finance, Local Authority and Communities

Supports and Funding Opportunities for Community Groups in Mayo

Event is FREE and open to the public but advance registration is required.

Register using the QR code at the following link to attend: <https://forms.office.com/e/7j7rjCDT2>.

Parke Active Age Group Outing: Parke Active Age Group is having an outing to the Great Northern Hotel, Donegal from 26th to 29th May with trips out each day and nightly music. If you'd like to join them, please call Marian on 087-2758084.



Go to church Sunday.

If Jesus can rise from the dead, you can rise from the bed!

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter

Extended Online Newsletter

Breakthrough Cancer Research Croagh Patrick Climb takes place on Saturday, May 17th to help raise funds for people affected by cancer. Spaces are limited so please email edel@breakcancer.ie for more information and to get signed up.

Achonry / Elphin Jubilee Year Adult Pilgrimage to Rome takes place from October 22nd for five nights led by Fr Vincent Sherlock and Fr Tom Hever. The cost is €1,499 per person sharing, single supplement €300, limited availability. For bookings, please contact Joe Walsh Tours on [01-2410800](tel:01-2410800). Early booking is advisable. Further details are on notice in churches.

Breakthrough Cancer Research Camino Walk: Have you ever dreamed of walking the Camino de Santiago? Breakthrough Cancer Research is taking on the 'Portuguese Way' from the 13th to 20th of June this year. Starting in the charming town of Baiona, experience camaraderie and reflection as you walk towards Santiago de Compostela, creating lasting memories on this historic pilgrimage. You can enjoy this amazing adventure with our experienced guide and help Make More Survivors. For more information, please contact edel@breakcancer.ie or phone [\(021\) 4226655](tel:021-4226655) for more details.

Foróige Youth Mentoring: Would you have an hour to spare in the week? Adult Mentors are required for Foróige's Youth Mentoring Programme across the Mayo area. If you are interested in supporting a young person, this is an enjoyable way to spend your time and have a positive impact in a young person's life! We have many young people waiting to be matched to a Mentor and would be delighted to hear from you! Call [086-3835859](tel:086-3835859) / [086-0471420](tel:086-0471420) for more information about recruitment.

Nia Classes. Enjoyable, healthy movement barefoot to music. Great for balance, flexibility and overall well-being. Mondays 10am at Swinford Cultural Centre. Contact Siobhan at [089-4182740](tel:089-4182740).

Warmer Homes Scheme: Clár I.C.H. Ballyhaunis Rd, Claremorris, delivers the Free Energy Scheme funded by The Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI). It provides free home energy upgrades to homeowners who get certain social welfare payments. These upgrades help improve the energy efficiency and warmth of your home and are also known as the Warmer Homes Scheme. Contact us on [094-9371830](tel:094-9371830) for more information or an application form.

Home Instead Mayo is urgently looking for Care Assistants in all areas of Mayo. Help us provide care to someone in need near you today! Training and support provided. Call [094-9044785](tel:094-9044785) or email siobhan.brennan@homeinstead.ie.

St. Josephs Secondary School, Foxford Lotto: Please support the NEW St. Josephs Secondary School, Foxford lotto. Contact [094-9256145](tel:094-9256145) for more details. Link to enter (€2.50 per line): <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/stjosephsfoxford/>.

Ballina Bereavement Support Group: Life after a bereavement can feel very lonely especially as we approach Christmas. Sometimes spending time, talking and sharing with others who share that experience can be helpful. Trained facilitators conduct a monthly Bereavement Support Group meeting at the Newman Institute on the second Wednesday of each month at 8pm. All are welcome.

Interested in having the Spotlight on your Community Organisation? Mayo PPN is currently running a series called 'Community Spotlight'. It involves a weekly feature highlighting PPN groups' events and activities and is showcased on the PPN website and social media platforms for one week. Send us a short description of your group –150/250 words and 3 or 4 photographs by email to mayoppn@mayococo.ie. If you would like to find out more about this project have a look at some of the groups that have featured so far, go to: [Community Spotlight - Mayo PPN](#).

Marriage Counselling is available at Convent Rd., Ballaghaderreen and at Moneen, Castlebar. Enquiries to [087-9972503](tel:087-9972503).

Become a Volunteer for Children with a Disability: Have you some free time on your hands or have you always been thinking of becoming a volunteer to help those in your community? Enable Ireland Mayo Services require volunteers in all areas of County Mayo to work with children with a disability. Our volunteers usually work one-to-one with a child within their home but also within their community or at our centre in Castlebar. No more than three hours are required per week. We work around your availability to make this exciting opportunity suit your lifestyle. Training is also provided. If you are interested please email sduffy@enableireland.ie for further information. This is a very rewarding role and our Volunteers are very positive about their experience.

FACT Social Club: We are an independent community-based service here in Foxford, Co Mayo, and we support people living with Dementia or in rural isolation. We are open Monday to Friday and provide social interaction, activities and much more in a safe and supported environment. If you would like more information on the services we offer, please contact us at factsocialclub1@gmail.com or telephone [094- 9256662](tel:094-9256662).

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.

Ireland's 2025 Jubilee "Sacred Heart Crusade of Love & Hope" culminates in Knock Shrine on Sunday, June 22nd where Mass will be offered by Archbishop Eamon Martin and he will be renewing the Consecration of Ireland to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus, a consecration first made over 150 years ago. As this Jubilee Year begins, we are also reminded that this is the 350-year anniversary of the revelations of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St Margaret Mary Alacoque, which we contemplate with the Holy Father, Pope Francis, in his most recent encyclical, "Dilexit Nos".

Interested in joining Mayo PPN Linkage Group? Linkage Groups are the way that PPN Member Groups can have a real input into policy in their area of operation. Linkage Groups bring together organisations with a common interest to discuss their views and interests in a specific policy area linked to Mayo Co Council Strategic Policy Committees. Community groups must be registered with Mayo PPN. Training Workshops will be delivered in each of the Municipal Districts. Westport/Belmullet MD, Claremorris/Swinford MD, Castlebar MD, Ballina MD. Please register your interest in attending a workshop by email to mayoppn@mayococo.ie.

Bereavement Support Group: Life after bereavement can feel empty and lonely. Sometimes spending time with others who know the experience can be helpful. Trained facilitators conduct a weekly bereavement Support Group meeting at the Family Centre, Knock each Wednesday at 11am. No booking required. Further information from Monica Morley on [094-9375320](tel:094-9375320).

Prayer Group Silent Servants of Divine Mercy: Colum and Seosamh are two young men with non- verbal autism. They spell to communicate. They have had a prayer ministry for some years now and recently made a Facebook page called [Silent Servants of the Divine Mercy](#). They invite people to like the page and send their prayer intentions to them. They then pray and offer their sufferings for all the prayer intentions. They also recently started a sodality called [Silent Servants of the Divine Mercy Sodality](#). The Sodality holds a monthly online prayer meeting on Zoom. Seosamh spelled: "The sodality is for silent people and others who cannot go to a prayer meeting in person. We have a prayer meeting once a month and silent people and others could join the meeting online". The hope is that other people can join them in praying for the intentions of the Silent Servants. The meeting will be approximately 30 minutes. Please send a text to [086-4134847](tel:086-4134847) if you are interested in attending the meeting. The day before the meeting we will send out a Zoom link for the meeting. It is for people who cannot attend prayer meetings in person, special needs people, sick people, and elderly people-anyone who can't get to a prayer meeting but who would like to pray with others.

Preparing for Marriage? Weekend residential courses are available from 23rd to 25th May or 19th to 21st September. Details: www.grasta.org or at info@grasta.org.

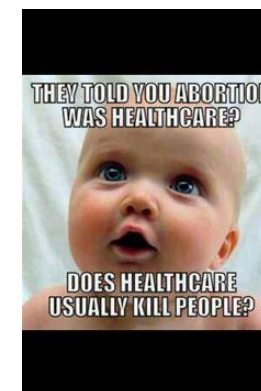
Gianna Care provides help to anyone experiencing an unexpected pregnancy, or who needs help following an abortion. Their trained client advocates, counsellors, nurses and doctors are there to help. See giannacare.ie.

Mayo Cancer Support provides FREE support services to those affected by cancer. Call [\(094\) 9038407](tel:094-9038407).

North West STOP offers a [free counselling](#) service with no waiting lists. Call or text [086-7772009](tel:086-7772009) to arrange an appointment.

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).

Hospital & Home Visits/Family Deaths: If you wish the priest to visit relations or friends in hospital or at home or to put a notice of family deaths outside the parish in the weekly newsletter – please make contact by phone or email.





SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS:

Designated Liaison Persons:

Diocese of Elphin:

- Mary Nicholson, St. Mary's, Temple Street, Sligo. Tel: 086 3750277.
- Anne Leonard, c/o St. Mary's, Temple Street, Sligo. Tel: 087 6474136.

Diocese of Achonry:

- Helen Diskin, Bishop's House, Convent Road, Ballaghaderreen. Tel: 087 0516888.

TUSLA (Child and Family Agency) – Duty Social Work Contact Details:

Sligo 071-9155133.

Leitrim 071-9650324.

Roscommon 090-6637528.

Galway 091-546366.

Athlone 090-6483106.

Mayo 094-9042283.

Garda Confidential Service:

1800 555 222

PRAYER FOR HEALING OF SURVIVORS /VICTIMS OF ABUSE

*God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by the blood of his cross.*

*Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.*

*Hear our cries as we agonize
over the harm done to our brothers and sisters.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers,
soothe restless hearts with hope,
steady shaken spirits with faith:
Show us the way to justice and wholeness,
Enlightened by truth and enfolded in your mercy*

*Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform our brokenness.
Grant us courage and wisdom, humility and grace,
so that we may act with justice
and find peace in you.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

