

Straide/Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter

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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 14th June 2026



The Week Ahead

Saturday, June 13 th .	8.00pm <i>Bohola</i>	Jerome Howley, Carragolda (5 th Anniversary), his parents, Patrick & Kathleen and his son, Kieran.
Sunday, June 14 th .	9.30am <i>Shraheens</i> 11.00am <i>Straide</i>	For all the People. Pat & Julia Maloney, Helen White, James & Bridget McDonnell & their son Peter.
Monday, June 15 th .	10.00am	Private Intention.
Tuesday, June 16 th .	7.30 – 8.30pm	No Mass. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.
Wednesday, June 17 th .	10.00am 5.00 – 9.00pm	Private Intention.....(Adoration follows until 12 noon) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Thursday, June 18 th .	10.00am <i>Straide</i>	Private Intention.
Friday, June 19 th .	7.00pm <i>Straide</i>	Tom & Bridget Roache & deceased of Roache family, Cloonconlon.
Saturday, June 20 th .	8.00pm <i>Bohola</i>	Kevin Fanning, Tooromeen. (3 rd Anniversary) Ian Pielow, Ballyglass. (5 th Anniversary)
Sunday, June 21 st .	9.30am <i>Shraheens</i> 11.00am <i>Straide</i>	Bridie Lavelle, Bohomore. (5 th Anniversary). Nancy Rainey, Blanemore. (Birthday Remembrance) Mary Bogue (17 th Anniversary), her husband Gerry & deceased of Deacy & Bogue families. John & Catherine O'Connor, Knockshanvalley, and their children Martin, Delia, Mary, Kathleen, Johnny, Jimmy and Anne. Bob & Kathleen Matthews, Philadelphia, USA. (Wedding Anniversary on June 19 th)
<p>All Masses in <i>Straide</i> (www.churchtv.ie/straide/) and <i>Bohola</i> (www.churchtv.ie/bohola/) are live-streamed. <i>Shraheens Mass will be live-streamed on the Bohola Post Facebook Page when requested. (Marked by * above)</i> All <i>Bohola Masses will be broadcast on the 105.5 FM Radio channel.</i></p>		

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

Josephine Hall, Knockatemple, who died on Thursday, June 4th and whose funeral took place in Bohola on Sunday last.

James (Jim) Doherty, Islandeady and formerly of Straide, who died on Friday, June 5th and whose funeral took place in Islandeady on Tuesday last.

Jimmy Lavin, Kilmovee, who died on Saturday last, June 6th and whose funeral took place in Kilmovee on Wednesday. He was the uncle of Anne Mulroy, Ardacarra.

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

Tea/Coffee Gathering in Bohola takes place in the Parish Centre after the 8pm Mass next Saturday. Please join us for a chat!

National Pilgrimage for Life 2026: The National Pilgrimage for Life, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 20th June in Knock Shrine. Mass will be celebrated at 3.00pm in the Basilica, during which the Anointing of the Sick will take place. Main celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Niall Coll. We invite you to join us in Knock to celebrate the gift of life and to pray for the protection of all human life.

Pilgrimage for Peace in Straide: St. Joseph's Family of Parishes invites you to a Pilgrimage for Peace on Sunday, 28th June. Participants will gather at Straide Church at 2.00pm for a local pilgrimage walk, followed by a Prayer Service for Peace in Straide Abbey. The afternoon will also include a brief history of Straide Abbey and Michael Davitt, with refreshments served afterwards in Straide Community Centre. All are welcome to join us in prayer, peace and friendship.

Fr. Peyton Memorial Centre, Attymass, Upcoming Events: One Day Retreat, Saturday June 20th: 'Opening our Hearts to God's love this Summer'...Beginning at 11am and concluding at 4.30pm, the day includes: spiritual talks, reflection, quiet time, rosary and Mass. The cost is €25, which includes tea, coffee on arrival and light lunch. Booking is essential.

Rosary on the Reek, Saturday June 27th: We gather at the Grotto in the car park at 9.45am to begin climb at 10am. Rosary and Mass at the summit at 12noon.

For more information on all the above, contact info@fatherpeytoncentre.ie or call Fina on 096-45374 or 087-681 6821.



6th / 7th:

Bohola:

€340

Straide:

€461.

Thanks for all your contributions to both the Offertory and to the priest's Pentecost collection.

Petition for an Official TFI & Citylink Stop in Straide: A community petition has been launched on behalf of Jimmy Mulroy calling for Straide to be recognised as an official Transport for Ireland (TFI) and Citylink stop on the Galway to Ballina bus route. Despite existing bus shelters in the village, buses currently pass through Straide without stopping, limiting access to public transport for local residents. The petition aims to secure an official stop and improve connectivity for the wider community. The online petition can be accessed at <https://www.change.org/p/establish-official-tfi-and-citylink-stop-in-straide-co-mayo>. Paper copies of the petition will also be available for signing after Masses in Bohola and Straide this weekend.

We would greatly appreciate the support of the local community and encourage residents to sign and share the petition.

FACT Dementia Mile, Longest Day Walk, Sunday 21st June: Meet at 3.00pm for registration at the FACT Clubhouse, Admiral Brown Road, Foxford, F26CFE4. The walk begins at 3.30pm sharp. Refreshments with Cráic agus Ceol afterwards. Sponsorship cards are available on request by calling 085-8485278. All support will be greatly appreciated.

Spina Bifida/Hydrocephalus Church Gate Collection raised €563.33 in Bohola and Straide last weekend. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Bohola Cemetery Committee seeks new members. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact John O'Brien, TJ Byrne or Peter Gallagher. Our thanks to the current committee who continue to do great work but more help would be appreciated.

Straide Graveyard Committee welcomes new members. If interested in joining, please contact Martin McDonnell, Marian Walsh, Jimmy Mulroy, Jimmy Roche or any member of the Pastoral Council.

Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR): Straide Parish is currently seeking a volunteer to take on the role of Local Safeguarding Representative. Anybody willing to take on this important role is encouraged to contact Fr. Stephen or any Pastoral Council member as soon as possible.

Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw: Congratulations to Eithne & Michael Brogan who won a jackpot of €550 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).

Need Help with your Mobile Phone or Digital Device? Register for Age Action's free digital skills class in Castlebar Library on Wednesdays from 1.30pm to 3.30pm. To register, call: 091-527831.

Castlebar Concert Band presents its annual concert, "Sounds of Summer" on Friday evening, June 19th at 8pm in the Linenhall Theatre, Castlebar. This year, the Band will be accompanied by the High Flyers Community Orchestra and some other guests, all of which should make for a lovely evening of music.

Are you Recovering from a Cardiac Event? You're Not Alone: Join the Croí Heart & Stroke Charity, Mayo Cardiac Peer Support Group, for heart recovery and support in The Ellison Hotel, Castlebar, on Wednesday 17th June from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. A Dietitian will present on a heart-healthy diet. Connect with others who understand, share experiences, and learn together. This initiative is a collaboration between Croí and the HSE in Mayo.

Quiz Night Fundraiser for Gianna Care takes place in Garbos, Castlebar on Friday 26th June at 8pm. €40 per team of four. To book a table, [Whatsapp 086-3727988](https://www.whatsapp.com/086-3727988).

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.

Next Week is Men's Health Week: Approximately 12,000 men are diagnosed with cancer each year in Ireland. Skin, prostate, bowel and lung cancers are among the most common cancers diagnosed. Find out in the flipbook how you can reduce your risk of cancer and the common signs and symptoms of the most common cancers in men. Early diagnosis can make a significant difference to treatment outcomes, so it is important to know the symptoms and contact your GP if you notice anything unusual. Flipbook can be found at <https://publuu.com/flip-book/708759/2494525>.

Studio to Stall in Ballina: Are you interested in a weekly workshop creating a range of arts and crafts to sell at Christmas Markets at the end of 2026? This is a unique initiative by Workability (Mayo North East). Eligibility criteria apply. Contact us to find out more now! Email: carolynohara@mayonortheastldc.com. Text: 087-4996606. Call: 087-3980575.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, June 14th: Bl. John Sullivan SJ – "Take life in instalments, this day now. At least let this be a good day. Be always beginning. Let the past go. The saints were always beginning. That is how they became saints." These words are by Blessed John Sullivan, S.J. He was born in Dublin in 1861 into considerable wealth and privilege. His father was a Protestant barrister, who later became the Lord Chancellor of Ireland and his mother was Catholic. Raised in his father's Protestant faith, Sullivan was educated at Portora Royal School and Trinity College Dublin, where he excelled as a brilliant classics scholar, earning a gold medal. Following his conversion to Catholicism, he famously gave up all his life of privilege to become a Jesuit priest. Adopting a deeply ascetic lifestyle, he dedicated his life to the poor and the sick. Most of his priestly life was spent at Clongowes Wood College, where he taught and served as chaplain. He became renowned for cycling long distances to visit the sick, the poor, and those in need of spiritual support. Many people later reported healings associated with his prayers and intercession. To find out more about this remarkable man, watch a two-part documentary at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

See more in the online Extended Newsletter at www.straideparish.com

Patience is a virtue that carries a lot of wait!

Extended Online Newsletter

Maryvale Institute 6-Month Online Course Dedicated Entirely to The Sacrament Of Marriage, the biblical and sacramental foundations of Christian marriage, and the witness that marriage brings to the heart of the Church's mission. Pre-recorded lectures and monthly live Q&A sessions begin on 15th September. Open to married couples, pastoral workers, catechists, and marriage preparation teams, and to clergy and those in formation. All who wish to engage seriously with the theology of marriage are welcome. For more information visit: <https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/marriage.html>.

The Catholic Steps (www.catholicsteps.com) is a free online fellowship for Catholics who are working through a twelve-step programme rooted in the sacraments. The site offers a structured workspace where members work through all twelve steps with reflection questions drawn from Scripture and Catholic tradition. Each member is paired with a sponsor — a fellow Catholic who has completed the steps — who guides them privately through the process. Members can also connect with a daily prayer wall and access resources. It is open to any Catholic who recognises an attachment, whether to a substance, a behaviour, or a pattern of thought, that is keeping them from God. It offers a structured, sacramentally grounded path for parishioners who need more than a weekly meeting but are not yet ready for formal counselling.

Accord Ballaghadereen Offers a Confidential Counselling Service where couples can explore family relationships. Accord counsellors can help if relationships are under stress. For online counselling, please visit www.accord.ie. Alternatively, to book a face to face counselling session, please call Accord Ballaghadereen on [087-9972503](tel:087-9972503).

DIOCESES OF ACHONRY AND ELPHIN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES – ASSISTED PILGRIM SECTION: The Dioceses of Achonry and Elphin Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 28th August to 2nd September inclusive, under the leadership of Bishop Kevin Doran. Pilgrimage highlights include Mass at the Grotto, Torchlight and Blessed Sacrament Processions, Anointing of the Sick and Water Ceremony. Flights from Knock Airport. All booking in relation to the Pilgrimage can be directed to Joe Walsh Tours (JWT) at [01-6852244](tel:01-6852244) or email info@joewalshstours.ie.

Trip to Medjugorje: Fully escorted trip to Medjugorje with Marian Pilgrimages led by Sharon O'Leary, with Spiritual Director Fr Séan Sheehy (native of Listowel) and accompanied by Fr Nelson Joseph (Louisburgh, Co Mayo). It takes place from October 21st to 28th with direct flights from Knock to Mostar. Contact Sharon on [086-0523014](tel:086-0523014).

ALONE Seeking Volunteers: Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking Visitation Support & Befriending Volunteers and Telephone Support & Befriending Volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please apply via the ALONE website at www.alone.ie or for further information, please contact us on volunteer@alone.ie or call [0818-222024](tel:0818-222024). If you are over 60 and would like to know more about the services ALONE can offer you, please call [0818-222024](tel:0818-222024).

Dovida provides Home Help to the elderly in their homes, safely and happily. They are actively recruiting Caregivers throughout Mayo. Competitive pay with mileage expenses. No experience required as full training is provided with full support from the office. Check out the website www.dovida.ie or email hr.mayo@dovida.ie.

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Gambling Support: Free support service for problem gamblers and their families is open to anyone in need. Contact Bernie Heneghan, Psychotherapist, by email at gawarenesstacufrc@gmail.com or call [087-7005811](tel:087-7005811).

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

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).

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

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STRAIDE
Pilgrimage
for Peace

Sunday 28th June - 2pm

- Starts in Straide Church (F26 FP48)
- Includes local walk
- Prayer service in Straide Abbey
- History of Abbey & Michael Davitt
- Refreshments afterwards in Straide Hall

All Welcome
Families • Friends • Neighbours

Join us in prayer to meet, relax and walk together in hope and peace.

Pray together ♥ Meet together ♥ Relax together ♥ Grow in faith

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.