

# Straide/Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter

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27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – 4<sup>th</sup> October 2026



## The Week Ahead

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| Saturday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>12 noon Straide</b><br><b>8.00pm Bohola</b>    | <b>Martin Neary, Gurraunard. (Month's Mind)</b><br>Seamus O'Brien, Ballyvary. (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Sunday, October 4 <sup>th</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>9.30am Shraheens</b><br><b>11.00am Straide</b> | For all the People.<br><b>John &amp; Celia Walsh, Blanemore.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Monday, October 5 <sup>th</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>10.00am</b>                                    | Private Intention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Tuesday, October 6 <sup>th</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>10.00am Straide</b><br><b>7.30 – 8.30pm</b>    | Private Intention.<br>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Wednesday, October 7 <sup>th</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>10.00am</b><br><b>5.00 – 9.00pm</b>            | Private Intention.....(Adoration follows until 12 noon)<br>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Thursday, October 8 <sup>th</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                   | No Mass.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Friday, October 9 <sup>th</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>10.00am Straide</b>                            | Private Intention.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Saturday, October 10 <sup>th</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>12 noon Straide</b><br><b>8.00pm Bohola</b>    | <b>Mary Foy, Currane. (Month's Mind)</b><br>Kate & Martin O'Brien, Rathruane, and deceased family.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Sunday, October 11 <sup>th</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>9.30am Shraheens</b><br><b>11.00am Straide</b> | For all the People.<br>Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving.<br>Josie Mooney, Aughaward. (8 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)<br>Eddie Sheerin, Ardclon (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary),<br>his parents, William & Nora, sister Breedge,<br>brother-in-law Vincent Deacy & all deceased of the Sheerin family. |
| <b>All Masses in Straide (<a href="http://www.churchtv.ie/straide/">www.churchtv.ie/straide/</a>) and Bohola (<a href="http://www.churchtv.ie/bohola/">www.churchtv.ie/bohola/</a>) are live-streamed.</b><br><b>Shraheens Mass will be live-streamed on the Bohola Post Facebook Page when requested. (Marked by * above)</b><br><b>All Bohola Masses will be broadcast on the 105.5 FM Radio channel.</b> |                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

**Straide Rosary for Peace** will be recited before the 11am Mass on each Sunday of October, beginning at **10.40am**. October is the Month of the Holy Rosary, a special time to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary and meditate on the life of Christ through prayer. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7<sup>th</sup>. You are encouraged to come early on to Mass on the Sundays of October and pray for much needed peace in our world.

**Make Disciples!** Jesus said to the disciples "Go and make disciples." Our parishes exist to make and grow disciples. The time for us to be serious about this task is now! Our Lady was the first disciple of Jesus. You are invited to a special evening of Mass and intercessory prayer to Our Lady for help to encourage all in our families and friends to become and grow to be disciples of Jesus. The venue is *Tourlestrane Church F91 X2 H4 on Thursday October 8<sup>th</sup> (The local Feast of Our Lady of Banada) at 7pm.*

**Fr Peyton Centre Guided Prayer Afternoon on Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>** from 2pm to 4.30pm at Attymass F26 X884. The afternoon will include: rosary, meditation, silent time and Mass. For information contact: Fina on [096-45374](tel:096-45374) or [087-6816821](tel:087-6816821).

**Fr Peyton Centre One-Day Rosary Retreat on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** from 11am to 4:30pm at Attymass F26 X884. The day includes spiritual talks, reflection, quiet time, Rosary and Mass. The cost is €25, which includes tea, coffee on arrival, and a light lunch. Booking is essential. For enquiries and booking, contact Fina on [096-45374](tel:096-45374) or [087-6816821](tel:087-6816821).

**New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>:** *Feast of the Guardian Angels* - "See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 18:10) In the first week of October, we celebrate the feast of the Guardian Angels. For many of us, the first prayer we learned was one to our guardian angel and was left behind with our toys and other memorabilia of childhood. However, Pope Francis spoke powerfully about these guides in a 2018 homily when he urged us to remember that our guardian angel is our daily gate to transcendence: "Our angel is not only with us; he also sees God the Father. He is in relationship with Him". Read the full text of his short homily here: [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

**Friends of Carmel Retreat entitled "The Language and Wisdom of God"** is taking place at Holy Hill Hermitage on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October from 10am to 4pm. No charge for the day but donations are welcome. Bring packed lunch, tea and coffee provided. Please email in advance for further information and to book your place at [friendsofcarmel@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcarmel@gmail.com).



26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>:

**Bohola:**  
€678.

**Straide:**  
€475.

*Thanks for all your contributions to both the Offertory and Priest's Harvest collections.*

**Pastoral Council Reports:** Both PPCs met this week. In Bohola the November Remembrance Service was fixed for Friday November 27<sup>th</sup> (Tea afterwards in the Parish Centre) and in Straide for Friday November 20<sup>th</sup>. The Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated in Straide next Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup> with tea/coffee afterwards in the Parochial House. The term of both PPCs are coming to an end so new members are sought and there will be more about that in the coming weeks. At both meetings there was discussion on the changing face of parish life. Refer to the article on page 21 of this week's *Irish Catholic* for some interesting thoughts on that.

**Shraheens Mass Centre Choir Seeks New Members:** Do you enjoy singing? Would you like to join our little choir on Sunday mornings? If you would like to know more, please speak to any member of the choir or just come and join in. You will be most welcome.

**Marriage Courses: Preparing for Marriage:** Weekend residential courses are available from 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> November and from 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February. **Married Couples Course:** Weekend residential courses are on 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> November and 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> February. Details at [www.qrasta.org](http://www.qrasta.org) or email [info@qrasta.org](mailto:info@qrasta.org).

### **Straide Church Rotas for October**

**First Reading:** Sarah Barrett.

**Second Reading:** Hazel Coleman.

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Servers.

**Minister of Communion:** Jimmy Mooney.

**Offertory Collectors:** Michael McNicholas & Declan Hynes.

**Opening/Closing Church:** Mary Roche.

**Bohola Post 2026:** Preparations are currently underway for the 2026 edition of *The Bohola Post*. Closing date for submissions to our 54<sup>th</sup> edition is 31<sup>st</sup> October. Please ensure if submitting photos that they are of good quality/resolution and please caption clearly when submitting. Photographs which are screenshots or downloaded from Facebook won't be good enough to print. Please send your contributions or any queries via email to [boholapost@gmail.com](mailto:boholapost@gmail.com).

**Bohola Community Centre AGM and Open Evening** will be held on Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Come and see the recent upgrades to the centre. Tea/Coffee and refreshments will be served and all are welcome.

**Lost Phone and Rosary Beads:** A small Nokia C5 mobile phone, and two Rosary Beads in purses were lost on Tuesday September 15<sup>th</sup> between 11.30am and 12.30pm on the old Killedan Road that leads to the Cemetery. They are of great sentimental value. Any information, please call [0879612881](tel:0879612881).

**The Mayo Branch of Down Syndrome Ireland** express our huge gratitude to the parishioners of Bohola Church for donating €76.95 to our church gate collection on the 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> September.

**The Open Evening of St Joseph's Secondary School, Foxford** for prospective First Years for the academic year 27/28 will take place on Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup>. Tours of school from 6.30pm, with Principal's Address at 7.45pm. All are welcome to attend. Please contact the school office on [094-9256145](tel:094-9256145) with any queries.

**Family Carers Ireland-Mayo's Ballina Carer Support Group Meeting** next takes place from 10 to 11.30am in the Green Room at the Ballina Manor Hotel, F26 HY84, on Thursday October 8<sup>th</sup>. The group meets on the second Thursday of the month. This is a great opportunity to meet local supports manager, Michelle Moriarty and have a chat with other carers. No need to register, just turn up on the day!

**Let's Talk Menopause** – A free women's wellness evening will take place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in Áras Inis Gluaire, Belmullet. Catherine O'Keeffe will lead a friendly and practical discussion on perimenopause and menopause, covering sleep, mood, hormones, treatment and lifestyle options, with plenty of time for questions. Booking is essential – text [087-184 0214](tel:087-1840214) to reserve your place.

**Supporting Grieving Children:** A free public talk takes place on Monday October 12<sup>th</sup> from 7.30 to 9pm at the Dexcom Stadium, College Road, Galway H91 H340. Full details on notices in our churches. Email [support@hopespace.ie](mailto:support@hopespace.ie) to book.

**Anam Cara's next Bereavement Information Evening** will centre around the fundamentals of parental grief and 'what helps.' This event is open to all parents whose child or children have died, regardless of the age of their child, circumstances of their death, or time since bereavement. This event will take place online on **Thursday 15 October at 7pm**. Bereaved parents are very welcome to register here: <https://bit.ly/OctBIE>.

**Erris Workability:** Looking for a fresh start, new opportunities, or support on your journey towards work? Erris Workability offers a range of supports tailored to you, including Weekly Workspace, Life Lab, Studio to Stall and one-to-one support to help build confidence, develop skills, explore employment or self-employment, and achieve your goals. The programme is available to people who meet the eligibility criteria, and if you're unsure whether you qualify, we're happy to have a chat and talk you through it. Take the first step and find out what's possible with Erris Workability. Contact Siobhan on [087-4996605](tel:087-4996605).

**"Remembrance by Candlelight" St. Michael's Church, Foxford:** On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm, join opera singer Sean Ruane alongside the Cill Aodáin Choral Society, Maria Lynn, John Mc Hugh, The Doherty's and The Doocey's, for a candlelight evening of amazing performances. The proceeds from this year's event are in aid of Hugh's House (in memory of baby Cian Mc Hale), along with the Foxford Enhancement Group, Foxford Christmas Lights and St. Michael's Church, Foxford. Advance booking essential. Tickets €20. Contact Sarah on [087-7965520](tel:087-7965520) or Irene on [087-2795242](tel:087-2795242).

**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](http://giannacare.ie).

***Respect people who wear glasses. They paid money to see you!***