

Straide/Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter

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First Sunday of Lent – 26th February 2023



Masses for the Week

Saturday, February 25 th .	11.00am Straide 7.00pm* Bohola	Funeral Mass of Serena Carney, Gurteens & New York. Martin McNicholas, Ballyglass and deceased of Brennan & McNicholas families. Menia Aitken & deceased of Aitken & McGloin families.
Sunday, February 26 th .	9.30am Shraheens 11.00am Straide	For all the People. Michael Smyth, Wood Cottage, Blanemore.
Monday, February 27 th .	10.00am Straide	Private Intention.
Tuesday, February 28 th .	7.00am 7.00 – 8.00pm	Private Intention. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.
Wednesday, March 1 st .	10.00am 7.00 – 9.00pm	Private Intention.....(<i>Adoration follows until 11.30am</i>) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
Thursday, March 2 nd .	10.00am Straide	Private Intention.
Friday, March 3 rd .	8.00pm*	Stephen Brennan, Lismirrane (Month's Mind).
Saturday, March 4 th .	12 noon* 7.00pm Straide	Tommy Byrne, Carrowkeel (1 st Anniversary). Michael Peyton, Brownhill, Ballyvary (10th Anniversary).
Sunday, March 5 th .	9.30am Shraheens 11.00am* Bohola	For all the People. James McNicholas, Althbawn (Month's Mind). Nancy (née Healy) & Noel O'Neill, Gortnasella. Mary & Martin Carney, Bohola. Delia Mulroy, Althbawn.
<p>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.</p>		

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

Willie Duffy, Toughnane, who died on Friday, February 17th and whose funeral took place in Bohola on Tuesday.

Nellie Sweeney, Straide, who died on Saturday last, February 18th and whose funeral took place in Straide on Tuesday.

Serena Carney, Gurteens and New York, who died in New York on Thursday, February 16th and whose funeral took place in Straide on this Saturday.

Noreen Murphy, Whetstone, London, who died on Wednesday, February 15th. She was sister-in-law of Mai Walsh, Lismirrane.

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

Early Morning Mass on Tuesdays Of Lent: The practice of celebrating *Mass at 7.00am on the Tuesday mornings of Lent* was introduced in Bohola some years ago and proved very popular. It will go ahead again this year, beginning on this coming Tuesday and will continue through Lent, circumstances permitting. It will provide early morning workers with the opportunity to attend Mass and the rest of us with the opportunity to make a little extra sacrifice by leaving our beds somewhat earlier!

Lenten Adoration in Straide takes place in Straide church this Tuesday evening, February 28th from 7.00 to 8.00pm. Adoration will also take place on the other Tuesdays of Lent at the same time.

Bible Study/ Lectio Divina (Praying with Scripture) led by Stephen Giblin: Each Monday evening during Lent we will take a look at some of the most renowned Gospel stories to see how they relate to our lives. We will also explore the practice of Lectio Divina, "Praying with Scripture." Mondays 27th February, and the 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th March at 7.30pm in Foxford Social Services Centre, Chapel Rd, Foxford, F26 Y1X9. All are welcome.

Special Mayo / Roscommon / Sligo Pilgrimage to Fatima: Last remaining places available! Flying from Dublin for Feast of Saint Anthony, Patron Saint of Portugal. The pilgrimage takes place from 9th to 14th June. A full religious programme is included, visiting the house where Saint Anthony was born and his Baptismal Font in Lisbon. Contact James Treacy on [061-921470](tel:061-921470) for further details.



Bohola:

18th & 19th

€580.

Straide:

Envelopes - €346.25.

Loose - €116.26.

Restoration - €35.

*Thanks for all
your contributions.*

Bishop Paul's Lenten Pastoral Letter to the Diocese outlines the challenges facing our diocese, the current realities, how we might respond to the challenges and the crucial role of Parish Pastoral Councils in that response. You will hear more about this at the weekend Masses but to fully take in all that is being said, we encourage you to take home a printed copy of the letter and read it in your own time.

Catholic Mothers Association Retreat Day takes place in St John's Centre, Knock on Saturday next, March 4th from 10.00am to 6.00pm – a day of spiritual restoration, inspiring talks, Mass, prayer and Confession. Lunch and refreshments provided.

To book, please call Sinead on [086-0528282](tel:086-0528282). Cost of day: €40.

A Lenten Day Retreat on Saturday 11th March at Holy Hill, Skreen, Co. Sligo: Please join us for a Lenten day retreat on Saturday 11th March from 10.30 to 4.00pm at Holy Hill, Skreen, Co. Sligo. 'Light for the Way and Love in the Wayfaring' – we will immerse ourselves in the compassion, kindness and mercy of God. All are welcome! A light lunch will be served. (Donations welcome) For booking, contact Tony at friendsofcarmelhollyhill@gmail.com.

Bereavement Course: There will be a 4-week course on 'Understanding grief, a journey towards healing' held in St John's Welcome Centre, Knock Shrine on Wednesday nights – March 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th at 8pm. Over the 4 evenings, topics covered will include: how to best understand grief; managing difficult thoughts and feelings; where to find good support; and how to reach peace again. The course will be given by Monica Morley. For further information or to make a booking please contact [094-9375320](tel:094-9375320).

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, February 26th: *Online Retreat: Lives to Inspire ...* We all know of people whose lives inspire us by their courage, generosity, imagination or brilliance. People who encourage us to live better, more fulfilled lives. Christian Churches, either informally or formally, present us with inspiring people that they call 'saints'. Over Lent, the Lives to Inspire retreat from the Scottish Jesuits will focus on 40 people, some canonised saints, others renowned for their lives of love and public service. The range is diverse – including Francis of Assisi, Dorothy Day, Nelson Mandela, Elizabeth Ann Seton, St Brendan the Navigator, Hildegard of Bingen and many more. Each reflection is accompanied by a passage of Scripture, a piece of music and a thought-provoking image. For this and more valuable Lenten resources, visit www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

Straide Community Event on Sunday 5th March 12-2pm: During Covid restrictions, Straide completed both our Community Futures Renewal Straide Action Plan and our Straide Biodiversity Plan and we look forward to share the findings, renew interest and encourage and support our Community to get involved in actioning the priorities identified in both Plans. We also hope to use the opportunity to unveil our long overdue Pride Of Place National Award Winner sign for the Village. Join us, to see the Plans, meet the neighbours and enjoy the refreshments. Children's entertainment included.

Bohola NS Enrolment Open Evening: Bohola National School is currently accepting applications for September 2023. Application forms are available by emailing the school at boholaschool@gmail.com or by phoning [094-9384271](tel:094-9384271). An open evening will be held on Wednesday, 22nd March from 5pm to 6pm. All are welcome.

Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw: Congratulations to Garry McHale, Castlebar who won a jackpot of €430 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 clicking <https://smartlotto.ie/Bohola-moy-davitts>.

Anam Cara Mayo, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday, 28th February at 7.15pm in the T.F. Royal Hotel, Castlebar. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We now also offer an online support service. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or [085-2888888](tel:085-2888888) for any queries. For more information see anamcara.ie.

The Irish Pilgrimage Trust wishes to thank all those who contributed to their church gate collection recently. The total collected was €204. The proceeds go directly to bringing a young person with special needs to Lourdes at Easter.

Mayo College of Further Education its Open Day: Mayo College of Further Education will hold its Open Day on Thursday, March 9th from 12noon to 7.00pm in all their locations throughout Mayo. The Open Day will allow potential learners to meet teachers and tour all the college facilities in the main campus locations in Ballina, Belmullet, Castlebar and Westport and College Hubs in Ballina, Castlebar, Swinford, Achill and Ballinrobe. Mayo College of FET will have over 50 FET/PLC Level 4, 5 and Level 6 QQI Courses on offer for September 2023. Please visit www.mayocollege.ie for more information and to make a free online application for September.

Free Online Living Well Programme: The next Living Well Programme, begins on **Monday, February 27th** (10.30am to 1.00pm). Please contact Liam Gildea on [086-0142675](tel:086-0142675) or by email at lgildea@southmayo.com. You can find out more information on the programme on our website: www.hse.ie/livingwell.

***I dispute those studies that claim people often die from smoking.
My uncle smoked, and he only died once!***

Straide Church Rotas for March

First Reading: Clair Doherty.

Second Reading: Tracy Barrett.

Prayers of the Faithful: Tracy Barrett.

Minister of Communion: Joanne Jordan.

Offertory Collectors: Paddy McHale & Denis Canning.

Opening/Closing Church: Mary Roche.