Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter

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Fourth Sunday of Lent – 19th March 2023

Masses for the Week

Saturday, March 18 th .	12 noon Straide	Patrick (Pake) McLoughlin, Knockagurran (1st Anniversary), his wife Mary and their daughter, Mary.
	7.00pm Straide	Nellie Sweeney, Straide (Month's Mind).
		Michael & Martin Tuffy, Ballinaculla.
		Owen & Ellen Mulroy & deceased of Mulroy family, Coolkeevaune.
Sunday, March 19 th .	9.30am Shraheens	For all the People.
	11.00am* Bohola	Nancy & John Doyle, Treenabontry.
Monday, March 20 th .	10.00am	Alfred (Alfie) Carroll, Treenduff, his father John, uncle & aunt Tom & Marie, their parents Tom & Ellen Carroll and Chris & Mollie O'Toole.
Tuesday, March 21 st .	7.00am	Private Intention.
	7.00 – 8.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.
Wednesday, March 22 nd .	10.00am	Private Intention(Adoration follows until 11.30am)
	7.00 – 9.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
Thursday, March 23 rd .	10.00am Straide	Private Intention.
Friday, March 24 th .	7.00pm Straide	Annie & P.J. Ruane, Ballylahan.
Saturday, March 25 th .	12 noon*	Willie Duffy, Toughnane (Month's Mind).
	2.00pm	Michael Corrigan, Carracastle (Followed by Burial of Ashes).
	7.00pm Straide	Michael Halligan Jnr., Straide & Castlebar (8th Anniversary).
		Fr. Dermot Burns (6 th Anniversary).
		Pat & Bridget Mulroy & dec'd of Mulroy family, Bohergloss, Straide.
Sunday, March 26 th .	9.30am Shraheens	Sonny McNicholas, Carrowntleva,
		& deceased of McNicholas & Mullaney families.
	11.00am* Bohola	James Brennan, Kinaffe.

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.

<u>Recent Deaths:</u> Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of <u>Kathleen Corrigan</u>, Lisacul, who died on Tuesday last, 14th March, and whose funeral takes place in Lisacul this Sunday at 1.00pm. She was the mother of Anne Mulroy, Ardacarra. May she rest in peace.

Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the soul of *Eileen Scully*, Cloongullane, Swinford, who died on Saturday, March 11th and whose funeral took place in Swinford on Wednesday last. She was the sister-in-law of Sophia McNicholas, Lismirrane. May she rest in peace.

<u>Baptism:</u> On Sunday last, March 12th in Bohola, we were delighted to welcome <u>John Traian Murphy</u>, Churchpark, into God's family. Congratulations to his parents, Martin and Nicoleta, his godparents and the wider family circle and we wish them every blessing for the future.

<u>Confirmation</u>: Our thanks to Bishop Paul Dempsey for his presence in Bohola and Straide last weekend for the Confirmation of 41 boys and girls between the two parishes. Our thanks also to all in Bohola and Straide National Schools for preparing the children so well and for all their help in organising both ceremonies. A special word of thanks to all who prepared the churches and to the many others who took care of several other details.

Finally, congratulations to the young people Confirmed and to their parents and families. Now that they have made a commitment to their faith, we hope and pray that they will persevere in that commitment throughout their lives and we wish them every blessing for the future.

<u>Bible Study/ Lectio Divina (Praying with Scripture) led by Stephen Giblin</u> continues this Monday evening, March 20th at 7.30pm in Foxford Social Services Centre, F26 Y1X9. All are welcome.



Bohola: 11^h & 12th €755.

Straide:

Envelopes - €203.65. Loose - €36.65. Restoration - €30. Thanks for all your contributions. 8.00pm. New members will be most welcome.

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<u>Emigrant Collection on 17th March:</u> Thanks to all who have contributed to this collection. Donations can still be handed in.

<u>The Lay Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration</u>: This weekend we welcome Isabel Gallagher and Kevin Walsh who will speak at all Masses about strengthening Eucharistic Adoration in Straide and Bohola parishes. Please listen attentively and give serious consideration to spending one hour per week in the company of the Blessed Sacrament.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, March 19th: Can my Lent be 'rescued'? What if I'm past the midpoint of Lent and not much is going on? I began with the best of intentions, but I am not sure what I'm doing or what I want to be doing. Can my Lent be 'rescued'? Can a six week journey be completed in the remaining next two or three weeks - waiting for my heart to be

open? Of course, the answer is "yes." It doesn't take long for God, when we are ready.

The first step to beginning again has already begun, if I have the desire for something real during Lent. A therapist once said that "we get better when we get tired of not being better." This isn't the same as "guilt." Feeling guilty for not doing much about Lent won't get us very far. What we need is a real desire - a real sense of expectation that God has something for me to hear, to learn, to change, and I want to be ready to listen. The superb Creighton Online Ministries website offers some very simple guidelines to help give Lent a new start in the days ahead. Visit <u>www.newpilgrimpath.ie</u>.

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

Straide NS Enrolement Evening for September 2023 takes place this Tuesday evening, 21st March at 6.30pm. All welcome!

<u>MS Ireland</u> wish to thank all who contributed so generously to the recent church-gate collection in Bohola and Shraheens. The amount raised was €203.00. All monies raised in the collection will go directly to the provision of services to persons from Mayo who live with MS.

<u>ALONE –Volunteers:</u> Paul Stafford is the Volunteer Support Officer for ALONE in our local community and is looking for volunteers in the Mayo area for older people who need befriending for up to 1 hour per week and for the telephone service for up to 2 hours per week. The befriending program is designed to help older people combat loneliness and isolation. Your help is needed more than ever. If this is something that interests you, then please reach out to Paul on <u>086-0135043</u>, email <u>paul.stafford@alone.ie</u> or follow the link <u>www.alone.ie</u> https://alone.tfaforms.net/.../ALONE-Volunteer-Expression...

<u>Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw:</u> Congratulations to Catherine Kelly who won a jackpot of €362 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.

<u>Clann Machua Drama Group</u> presents "The Factory Girls" by Frank McGuinness in The Townhall Theatre, Kiltimagh, March 30th to April 1st inclusive at 8.00pm. Tickets €15 on the door and in Langan's Off-Licence.

<u>Swinford Athletic Club Table Quiz:</u> Swinford AC is hosting a table quiz on Friday, 24th March in Julian's, Midfield. The quiz is a fundraiser in aid of the 200m track. A table of 4 will cost €40 and there will be prizes and a raffle on the night.

<u>Scrap Metal Collection:</u> Swinford/Killasser LGFA together with Swinford GAA are arranging Scrap Metal Collections on March 25th and 26th and on April 1st and 2nd. Arrange collection or drop off at Swinford Community Centre ONLY. Call or text Declan Julian (087-9314188), Alan Heaney (087-9066479), Regina Mullaney (087-8219183) or John McHugh (087-7557919).

Anam Cara Mayo, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday, 28th March 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 for any queries. For more information see anamcara.ie.

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 – April 5th 12th, 19th and 26th at 8pm. The course will be given by Monica Morley. Admission is free but you must book on <u>094-9375320</u>.

<u>Free 6 Month Course:</u> Are you interested in doing a training course to give you the skills to work in Hospitality? Are you receiving a DA payment or do you need assistance in finding employment? The course covers HACCP, Barista, Customer Care and First-Aid training. In addition, a work placement in a local hotel or restaurant will be

secured for you. The classroom based training is held in Westport Tuesday to Thursday. Call Ruairi at <u>087-1202617</u> or <u>email ruairi.hughes@nln.ie</u>.

Bonniconlon Drama Weekend: Arthur and Clare Marshall invites everyone to the wedding of their daughter Judy to Mr Alan Rea on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights, 24th, 25th and 26th March in the Grove Hall, Bonniconlon. Don't miss Bonniconlon Drama Society 2023 hilarious 3-Act comedy, Separate Beds by Sam Cree, nightly at 8.30pm. Doors open at 7.30pm. Tickets €10 at the door. Please support and enjoy three great nights of local drama.

Happy,
Mother's
Day

Life doesn't come with a manual. It comes with a Mother!