

Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter

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Second Sunday of Easter - 16th April 2023



Masses for the Week

Saturday, April 15 th .	8.00pm* Bohola	John Aitken & deceased of Aitken & McGloin families.
Sunday, April 16 th .	9.30am Shraheens 11.00am Straide	Mary & Johnny McNicholas, Ara, & deceased family. For all the People.
Monday, April 17 th .	10.00am Straide	Private Intention.
Tuesday, April 18 th .		No Mass.
Wednesday, April 19 th .	10.00am 6.00 – 10.00pm	Private Intention.....(Adoration follows until 12 noon) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Thursday, April 20 th .	10.00am Straide	Private Intention.
Friday, April 21 st .	7.00pm*	Kathleen Mullahy, Barleyhill. (1 st Anniversary)
Saturday, April 22 nd .	12 noon Straide 8.00pm* Bohola	Margaret McKeown, Currane (1 st Anniversary), her husband, Paddy and deceased of Connolly & McKeown families. Charlie Groarke, Castlebar and formerly Clooneen. (Month's Mind) First Communion Grow in Love.
Sunday, April 23 rd .	9.30am Shraheens 11.00am Straide	For all the People. Patrick & Mary Ruane, Grallagh, their daughter Mary Browne & her husband Johnny, their son, Tommy Ruane, granddaughter, Elaine and grandson, Damian Murray. First Communion Grow in Love.

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.

Recent Deaths: Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Bridie Ruane (née Duffy), Carragowan and London, who died on Good Friday, April 7th. She was the wife of the late Jim Ruane, Carragowan. May she rest in peace.

Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the soul of Meaghan Mallee, Athboy, Co Meath, who died on Holy Saturday, April 8th and whose funeral took place in Athboy on Friday. She was the daughter of Jimmie and Mairéad Mallee and granddaughter of the late Pete and Tilly Mallee, formerly of Shanaghy. May she rest in peace.

Baptism: On Monday last, April 10th in Bohola, we were delighted to welcome Anna O'Donoghue-Elvira, Alicante, Spain, into God's family. Congratulations to her parents, Seán and Carmen, her godparents and the wider family circle and we wish them every blessing for the future.

Sincere Thanks to all in Bohola and Straide who attended and participated in the Holy Week and Easter Ceremonies or who, either directly or indirectly, helped out in any way. It's great to see so many parishioners giving of their time and getting involved and doing so much for the Church. Thanks to the Readers, the Ministers of the Eucharist, the Offertory collectors and counters, the children who volunteered for the washing of the feet, to those who set us on fire for the Easter Vigil(!), Fr. John Cunningham for celebrating the Easter Vigil in Straide, those who helped set up for the Dawn Mass, the Altar Servers, the Choirs who added so much to all liturgies, our Sacristans for their invaluable back-up and support and to all who decorate and care for our churches. A special thanks to both Pastoral Councils and to all who ensured that everybody and everything was in place.

It is acknowledged that all this help is not just for one week of the year but is continued throughout the year. May God bless you all and continued Easter blessings to everybody.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, April 16th: *The Acts of the Apostles* One New Testament book is reserved for the fifty days of Eastertide in Catholic and most Protestant Churches. This book is *The Acts of the Apostles*. By following the story of the early Christian community, we can see what effect the Resurrection of Jesus and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost had on that first, very small group of Jesus' followers. The excellent 'Pray As You Go' website offers a short online retreat – five sessions of 12 minutes each – designed to help participants discern the promptings of the Holy Spirit in their own lives, and open themselves more fully to the spirit of Pentecost. Access it at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.



8th & 9th:

Bohola:

€1,360.

Straide:

Envelopes - €227.

Loose - €102.90.

Restoration - €15.

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

Late contributions can still be handed in.

Reminder to Pastoral Council Members: Next training session takes place on Thursday next, April 20th at 8.00pm in the Park Hotel, Kiltimagh.

Trócaire Boxes: Please return your Trócaire Box as soon as possible and thanks to those who have already done so.

Sunday Missals: A few Sunday Missals are available in the sacristy for Ministers of the Word. First come, first served!

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration Annual Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Saturday, 22nd April from 7.00pm to 10.00pm and on Sunday, 23rd from 10.30am to 4.30pm. Full details on posters in church or see www.eucharisticadoration.ie.

Conference on Evangelisation and Vocations in Ireland Today: In life, many hear God's call to priesthood. Is your heart open to the Lord? Have you ever considered taking the risk to follow in the footsteps of Jesus? If so, you are invited to the national seminary of Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth, on 25th April, to attend a special conference on evangelisation and vocations in Ireland today. Archbishop Rino Fisichella, Pro Prefect of the Vatican's Dicastery for Evangelisation, will be the keynote speaker. Please register directly on www.vocations.ie, or contact the National Vocations director Father Willie Purcell at willie.purcell@iecon.ie or Rev Eric Cooney, secretary of the National Vocations Office at eric.cooney@iecon.ie. God bless you!

March For Life, Bank Holiday Monday, May 1st, Dublin City Centre: Organised by the Pro Life Campaign, this family friendly event is being held to educate the public about what is happening under the new abortion law, to draw attention to the rapidly increasing abortion rates in Ireland and to call for resources to be put in place to support and inform women about positive alternatives to abortion. For more information, see www.marchforlife.ie.

Lough Derg 2023: Lough Derg is delighted to announce the re-opening of its Pilgrimage Season on Monday, 1st May with One Day Retreats and Three Day Pilgrimages run from 1st June until 15th August. All details are on poster in church porch or visit www.loughderg.org.

Mayo Stoma Support Meeting: Mayo Stoma Support Group will meet on Thursday, April 20th next at 7.00pm in the Ellison Hotel, Castlebar. Please text JJ on [0872300580](tel:0872300580) if attending as numbers are needed for the hotel.

Anam Cara Mayo, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday, 25th April 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.

CANA Talks take place on Friday, 1st September at the T.F. Royal Theatre, Castlebar, at 8.00pm. A 2-hour show with 8 dynamic speakers all presenting on human happiness and potential from a faith perspective. For more information see www.canatalks.com. Tickets are available now. Book via Ticketmaster www.ticketmaster.ie or call the T.F. Box Office at [0949023111](tel:0949023111).

Pilgrimage to Fatima: Archbishop Eamon Martin is leading a pilgrimage to Fatima from 20th to 27th July. Pilgrims from all dioceses in Ireland are welcome to travel with him. Cost for 7 days is €899 per person sharing. Flights depart Dublin at 6.05am on Thursday, 20th July, arriving in Fatima at 11.00am. Single room supplement and insurance is additional. For further information, contact Joe or Maureen McLaughlin on [00442890701606](tel:00442890701606) or [00447711808207](tel:00447711808207).

Holy Land Christmas 2023: Flight from Dublin, taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives with full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day. Payment can be made by instalments. Contact James Treacy at [061-921470](tel:061-921470) or email jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com.

Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw: Congratulations to Gina McNicholas, Bohola who won a jackpot of €478 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>.

Claremorris Musical Society A.G.M.: Claremorris Musical Society will hold its A.G.M. on Monday, April 17th at 8pm in The Dalton Inn, Claremorris. This is a public meeting and all are welcome to attend.

Mayo Cancer Support provides FREE support services to those affected by cancer. Call [094 9038407](tel:0949038407).

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

Jesus' Story

Jesus Risen from the dead is present in a new way through His Spirit. Jesus shows Thomas his wounded hands and side. Jesus says "Thomas, here are my Hands, give me your hands." Jesus has the whole world in His Hands. He asks us to bless others with our hands, in our work, in our hugs and friendship, in our music, art and sport, and prayer to heal others. (Fr. Liam Hickey)

It's better to keep your mouth shut and appear stupid than to open it and remove all doubt - Mark Twain -