## Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter

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Pentecost Sunday - 28th May 2023

## **Masses for the Week**

Saturday, May 27 <sup>th</sup> .	8.00pm Straide	Tommy Athy, Gurranard (Month's Mind), his parents Thomas & Mary and sister Nora McNcNamara. Bridget & James Dunleavy, Umoon, their sister Mary Kate & her husband John Corcoran, Carracastle.
Sunday, May 28 <sup>th</sup> .	9.30am Shraheens 11.00am* Bohola	For all the People.  Kathleen Sheahan, Rathruane & deceased of O'Brien & Sheahan families.  Tom & Teece O'Neill, Ardacarra & deceased of O'Neill & McNicholas families.
Monday, May 29 <sup>th</sup> .	10.00am	Private Intention.
Tuesday, May 30 <sup>th</sup> .		No Mass.
Wednesday, May 31 <sup>st</sup> .	7.00pm Straide 10.00am – 12 noon 5.00 – 10.00pm	Maisie Walsh, Blanemore. (Birthday Remembrance)  Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.  Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Thursday, June 1 <sup>st</sup> .	10.00am	Private Intention.
Friday, June 2 <sup>nd</sup> .	8.00pm Straide	Mass for Beginning of Adoration in Straide.
Saturday, June 3 <sup>rd</sup> .	8.00pm* Bohola	For all the People.
Sunday, June 4 <sup>th</sup> .	9.30am Shraheens 11.00am Straide	Private Intention.  Kevin McMorrow, Ballyvary. (Month's Mind)  Mary Ellen & Seamus McHugh, Blanemore & their daughter Breege Reilly.  Paddy & Nora McHale, their son Jackie and daughter Ita.  Carmel Hall, Grallagh. (5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

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>Baptism</u>: On Saturday last, May 20<sup>th</sup> in Bohola, we were delighted to welcome <u>Caoimhín James Barry</u>, Boleyard, into God's family. Congratulations to his parents, Aisling and Kevin, his godparents and the wider family circle and we wish them every blessing for the future.

<u>Weekend Mass Schedule:</u> As noted in last week's newsletter and mentioned at the weekend Masses, all attending this weekend's Masses will be given a slip of paper on which they can indicate their preferred option (*choose one of three*) for weekend Mass times. Place your preference in the box provided when leaving the church.

Mass for First Communicants & Families: All First Communion children and their families are invited to a special Mass of celebration on Sunday next, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon in the Basilica, Knock. The children are welcome to wear their communion clothes and will actively participate in the Mass, making it a happy and memorable family occasion. Further information from Monica Morley on 094-9375320.

Killala- Achonry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes under the leadership of Bishop John Fleming, Bishop of Killala and Bishop Paul Dempsey, Bishop of Achonry, departs from Ireland West Airport, Knock on 29<sup>th</sup> August, returning on 4<sup>th</sup> September. Six nights in full-board accommodation in the Hotel Agena costs €895 (single rooms available, supplement applies). All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours at 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2, D02WY88. Bookings are also accepted over the telephone by calling 01-2410800. No booking is definite until a non-refundable deposit of €300 has been receipted by Joe Walsh Tours.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> There will not be a hospital pilgrim or assisted pilgrim section with medical and care staff as was the case in previous years. All pilgrims will be accommodated in hotels. All pilgrims should be able to undertake the pilgrimage independently or with the assistance of someone accompanying them and taking responsibility for their care. **If you require wheelchair assistance please indicate the same on your booking form**.



Straide:
Envelopes - €228.
Loose - €76.10.
Restoration - €10.
Thanks for all your contributions.

<u>Cemetery Masses:</u> Mass will be celebrated in St Joseph's Cemetery, Bohola on Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am and in Straide Cemetery on Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am.

**Novena for Life:** The *Pray for Life* Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May to the Feast of the Visitation on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit <a href="www.prayforlife.ie">www.prayforlife.ie</a> for the daily novena prayers, also posted on <a href="mailto:facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena">facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena</a> and <a href="mailto:@ChooseLifeIRL">@ChooseLifeIRL</a> on Twitter. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

<u>The All Ireland Rosary Rally</u> takes place in Knock on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1.00pm beginning with a talk in the Basilica by Bishop Oliver Doeme. Stations of the Cross, Rosary and Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Eamonn Martin, will follow.

**Bohola Music Circle, with John & Isabela Hoban**: Share a song, poem, story, a tune or just sit back and enjoy. All are welcome and no experience is necessary. This is a free event. Venue: Sheridan Community Centre on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> May from 8.00 to 9.30pm. Contact: <u>flourish@thefamilycentre.com</u> or call <u>(094)9025900</u> for further details.

<u>Durkan Bohola Community Park Fundraiser:</u> On Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June, members of the Durkan Bohola Community Park Committee will climb Croagh Patrick on a sponsored climb. To join them or to sponsor any of the climbers, please contact <u>087-3607694</u> or any member of the committee. Join us for a social gathering afterwards from 7.00pm in the Village Inn, Bohola for refreshments and craic!

<u>The Bohola Post at 50:</u> It is planned to produce a Special Commemorative Edition - for those who went, those who came back and those who stayed - to celebrate the fifty years of publication of the Bohola Post: It is intended to have the launch of this publication and a celebration of all things Bohola on the August Bank Holiday weekend. We would like to have contributions from people who have memories of the Bohola Post and what it has meant to them over the years to get in touch by email at <u>boholapost@qmail.com</u>. All contributions are welcome but must be submitted on or before 10<sup>th</sup> June to be considered for inclusion. We will have more information on our Facebook page in the coming weeks.

<u>Come Find Out What Cultural Companions is All About:</u> Join Mayo County Council Arts Service for Information/Tea/Music & Poetry on next Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 1.30 to 3pm in Castlebar Social Service Centre. Aimed at over 50's who are interested in attending arts, cultural events and meeting new people. Ring <u>094-9064367</u> or e-mail <u>mayoarts@mayococo.ie</u>.

<u>Mayo's Older Persons Council Information Day</u> takes place on Wednesday next, 31<sup>st</sup> May in the Park Hotel, Kiltimagh from 10.30am to 2.00pm, Registration from 9.45am. The event will highlight the work of Mayo's OPC. There will be guest speakers on the day and information stands from various services and supports available to the older population in Mayo. This event is free. For further details, email <u>agefriendlymayo@mayococo.ie</u> or phone <u>094-9064735</u>. We look forward to seeing you there!

Are You Out of Work? And interested in gaining the skills required to secure employment? The Fast Track to Employment course allows you to undertake a work placement with an employer in an area of your choice, to upskill and retrain to secure a job. Contact Caroline O' Malley on <u>086-7701996</u> or email <u>caroline.omalley@nln.ie</u>.

<u>Living Well Programme:</u> The next programme in the Castlebar area commences on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Liam Gildea at <u>086-0142675</u> or by email at <u>lgildea@southmayo.com</u>.

## **Straide Church Rotas for June**

First Reading: Tom Fahy.

**Second Reading:** Deirdre Coleman.

Prayers of the Faithful: Deirdre Coleman.

**Minister of Communion:** Maggie McNulty.

<u>Offertory Collectors:</u> Michael McNicholas & Julia Molloy. <u>Opening/Closing Church:</u> Michael & Nora McNicholas.

<u>Exam Mass</u> on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in Knock Basilica for all students and their families preparing for exams. Take some time out from your studies for a quiet moment to ask for God's strength and guidance as you move through your exam period. Bring your pencil case to have it blessed!

<u>VAKS Programme</u>: Applications are now open for VAKS (Volunteer at Knock Shrine) programme. It is an opportunity for young people in TY, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> year to come to Knock to volunteer for a weekend in either July or August. This is a great way to meet new friends, serve others, express your faith and have fun! For further information, please contact Knock Youth Ministry on *094-9375321* or email *youthministry@knockshrine.ie*.

<u>Friends of Carmel Gathering at Holy Hill Hermitage, Skreen, Co Sligo</u> takes place on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> June from 10.30am to 4pm. All are welcome!!!! Donations towards cost of coffee and light lunch would be appreciated. For booking and further details, contact Tony at *friendsofcarmelholyhill@gmail.com*.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>: Pentecost: 'Fan into flame the gift you already have!' .... "It is a shame that the Holy Spirit tends to be an afterthought". Richard Rohr is an American Franciscan friar, renowned author, and founder of the ecumenical Centre for Action and Contemplation. He believes that, of the two baptisms mentioned by Christ – baptism with water, and baptism with fire and the Holy Spirit - many of us have not truly experienced the latter. The gift of the Spirit is within us, but we need to fan into flame this gift we already have. If we are to draw on that dynamic presence, we must believe in it and want it. This is the subject of an inspiring homily by Fr Rohr at: www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

God loves everyone, but probably prefers "Fruits of the Spirit" over "religious nuts!"