



***5th/6th:***

***Bohola:***

 €593.

***Straide:***

€709.

*Thanks for all your*

*contributions.*

 **Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter**

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 **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 13th October 2024**

###### The Week Ahead

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| **Saturday, October 12th.** | **8.00pm*\** *Bohola*** | **Kate & Martin O’Brien and deceased family, Rathruane.** |
| **Sunday, October 13th.** | **9.30am*\* Shraheens*****11.00am *Straide*** | **Karyn Lavelle, Moneen, Castlebar & Bohomore. (Month’s Mind)** **Eddie Sheerin, Ardcloon (1st Anniversary) and his parents, William & Nora.****Josie Mooney, Aughaward. (6th Anniversary)** |
| ***No Mass on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday – Priests Conference in Mulranny.*** |
| **Tuesday, October 15th.** | **7.30 – 8.30pm**  | **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.** |
| **Wednesday, October 16th.** | **10.00 – 12 noon****5.00 – 10.00pm** | **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*****Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*** |
| **Thursday, October 17th.** | **10.00am** | For all the People. |
| **Friday, October 18th.** | **10.00am *Straide***  | **Private Intention.** |
| **Saturday, October 19th.** | **8.00pm*\** *Bohola*** | **Bríd McNicholas, Castlebar & Altbaun. (Month’s Mind)****Nancy & Seamus Conlon and their daughter Catherine, Gortnasella.****Jimmy Burke, Carragolda and deceased of Burke & Conroy families.** |
| **Sunday, October 20th.** | **9.30am*\* Shraheens*****11.00am *Straide*** | **Joe Clarke, Hertfordshire, late of Carrowntleva. (3rd Anniversary) Matthew Mulroy, Bohergloss. (Birthday Remembrance).****Patrick & Catherine Foy, Grallagh.** |
| ***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.*** |

***Westport Conference:*** The priests of the diocese will be away at a conference in Mulranny from Sunday evening until Wednesday evening so there will be no Mass on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. In case of emergency, Fr. O’Mahony will still be contactable by phone.

***Straide Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving:*** Sincere thanks to the Pastoral Council and to the many others who helped organise, and make all the preparations for last Sunday’s Harvest Mass. Thanks also to all who participated – choir, the children who brought up gifts, led the prayers and served, readers and Communion Minister – and made it such a prayerful celebration. Special gratitude to those who provided goods for sale (realising €270) and the goodies to go with the welcome cup/s of tea and coffee in the Hall afterwards. Hopefully, we will do it all again next year!

***Straide Church ‘Meet and Clean’***takes place this Monday at 8pm. All help appreciated.

***Pastoral Council Reports:*** Meetings of both Bohola and Straide PPCs took place this week. In Bohola, we were delighted to welcome Mary O’Brien as a new member, November Remembrance Service confirmed for 21st at 7pm, Rosary in the graveyards on 10th and 17th, tea/coffee in Parish Centre after 8pm Mass on 19th.

In Straide, review of Harvest Mass, tidy up of church on 14th at 8pm, the necessity of Garda vetting and safeguarding for those in contact with children or vulnerable adults, November Remembrance Service confirmed for 18th at 8pm, tea/coffee morning in Parochial House after Mass on Sunday 27th.

At both meetings the involvement of young people was discussed including John Paul 2 Awards and Inspire event in Tubbercury on November 15th. The ongoing fluid situation in our diocese with regard to inevitable change was also discussed.

***“Welcome To The Family” - Exploring the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation:*** This series continues on Monday evenings until Monday 2nd December inclusive from 8pm to 9.15pm in Knock Prayer Centre. See church noticeboards.

***World Mission Sunday, October 20th*** is not just another Sunday. It is a powerful reminder of our call to be missionaries. The collection taken up on this day is unique as it is mandated by the Code of Canon Law and is essential for the survival and growth of the Church in mission territories. These funds support the pastoral and evangelizing work of the Church, including building churches, providing healthcare and education, and training future priests and religious. In places where resources are scarce, your generosity makes a profound difference. As we reflect on the theme *"Go and invite everyone to the banquet,"* let us remember that our participation and support help invite countless souls to the feast of God's love.

***Bohola Ministers of the Word Rota*** is being compiled for the coming year. It would be lovely to have some new people so please text name and number to *087-2369702* if you wish to have your name added to the current list. Thanks!

***Pray - The Story of Patrick Peyton:*** The Fr. Peyton Centre will be showing "Pray - The Story of Patrick Peyton" on Thursday 17th October at 7pm. This is a free event! Please phone the Centre on *096-45374* to book you place.

***The Youth 2000 Connaught Autumn Retreat***will take place in the College of the Immaculate Conception, Summerhill, Sligo town from November 8th to 10th. Join us for talks, testimonies and workshops. Donation only, bring a sleeping bag! For more information, visit[*www.youth2000.ie*](http://www.youth2000.ie/)or email*connaught@youth2000.ie*.

***Medjugorje Weekend Retreat*** takes place in St. John's Welcome Centre, Knock Shrine from Friday 25th October at 7pm to Sunday 27th. Theme: "I want you to be messengers of my message" with special guest, Fr. Ivan Hrkac, priest of the parish of Medjugorje. Weekend fee is €30. For information, contact Teresa on *085-7839388* or Bernadette on *086-8196653*.

***A Night of Candlelight Music*** will be held in St. Michael's Church, Foxford at 7pm on Friday 15th November. Opera singers Anne Marie Gibbons and Sean Ruane will be accompanied by BellaCapella and some Trad music by the Doherty's, Doocey's and Mc Hugh's. All proceeds are in aid of Cancer Care West, Mayo Cancer Support and Oncology Ward (MUH).Tickets limited.

A *Rock Night* will also be held in Cruiser's Bar on Saturday 16th November from 9pm. For tickets, call Sarah on *087-7965520*.

***INSPIRE – a Young Adult Faith Event (18-40)*** organised by *Achonry Youth Ministry* will take place in St. Brigid’s Hall & Theatre, Tubbercurry on Friday, 15th November at 8.00pm. *Theme:* The Relevance of Faith in the Modern World. The keynote speaker will be the current Louth football Manager and former Dublin GAA All-Ireland winner, Ger Brennan. He will speak about life, sport and faith. Other speakers will join Ger for panel discussions and questions from the audience. Free to register at [*https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/inspire-tickets-1024415382987*](https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/inspire-tickets-1024415382987).

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, October 13th:*** *“Go Down to the Potter’s House”….* This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: “Go down to the potter’s house, and there I will give you my message.” So I went down to the potter’shouse, and I saw him working at the wheel...Then the word of the Lord came to me. He said, “Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does? Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel.”

These words from the Book of Jeremiah inspired Donagh O’Shea, a Dominican friar, a highly regarded retreat leader, an authority on the mediaeval mystics and a potter. 30 years ago, he began a series of workshops (which continue to this day) combining meditative work with clay. The aim is to help overcome the effects of centuries of introspection and individualism and to discover in ourselves and in the Gospel a straightforward simplicity. Even if you never throw a pot, his book “Go Down to the Potter's House” has become a spiritual classic. Watch a series of his engaging and inspiring short videos online based on this book at ***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***.

***Official Opening and Blessing of Link Path*** from Bohola National School to Durkan Community Park takes place next Saturday, 19th at 5pm beside the school. Refreshments afterwards in The Village Inn and all are welcome.

***Candlelight Concert*** with John McNicholl and his Band takes place in Bohola Church on Saturday, December 14th at 8pm in aid of the Durkan Community Park.

***Moy Davitts GAA 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance:*** Tickets for the Moy Davitts 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance on Saturday, 2nd November in the Great National Hotel, Ballina can be purchased directly from Annette Clarke (*087 6781500* or *treasurer.moydavitts.mayo@gaa.ie*). Cost: €50.

***Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw:*** Congratulations to John Moore, Foxford who won a jackpot of €414 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 and by playing on the club app (Moy Davitts GAA).

***The Open Evening of St Joseph's Secondary School Foxford*** for prospective First Years for the academic year 25/26 will takeplace on Wednesday 23rd October. 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* with any queries.

***Bohola Post 2024:*** Preparations are currently underway for the 2024 edition of The Bohola Post. The committee is asking that you submit your news, articles and photos as soon as possible and **not later than October 31st**. Material submitted after that date cannot be included. Please send your contributions or any queries via email to ***boholapost@gmail.com***.

***Knock Drama Group:*** A night of fun and laughter awaits you at Aghamore Community Centre (F35 AT21) as rehearsals are in full swing for their upcoming play, 'The Airport', a comedy play in 2 acts, written and directed by Stephen Flatley. Performances on Friday 25th and Saturday 26th October. Doors open at 7pm, show starts at 8pm.

Tickets including booking fee cost €17.07. Please note that tickets are limited to 100 per show so there is no guarantee of availability at the door. Search Knock Drama Group on Eventbrite to secure yours today. Strictly over-18’s. Follow us on Facebook & Instagram Knock Drama Group. Any queries, call: Leonie *086-8486924*, Jamie *086-2000427* or Joe *086-2938216*.

***Nia Classes:*** Non-impact aerobics. Simple dance and martial arts movement for all abilities. Great for fitness and overall well-being. Try a class for free on Mondays at 10am at Swinford Cultural Centre and Thursdays at 10am at Knockmore Rathduff Recreation Centre. Tea provided after class in Knockmore. Contact Siobhan on *089 4182740*.

***Other still relevant notices from previous newsletters are included in the online Extended Newsletter.***

***I don’t watch football so I don’t know who Taylor Swift is, but he sounds fast!***

***Extended Online Newsletter***

***Mayo Recovery College*** continues to facilitate a suite of mental health & wellbeing modules on dates throughout October in the Atlantic Technological University in Castlebar (online option also): Beginning Wednesday 9th at 6pm ‘EXPLORING MY WAY by SHINE’ (10 part programme for Family members/carers); Tuesday 15th at 10am ‘HOPE’; Thursdays 16th & 24th at 5pm PERIMENOPAUSE/MENOPAUSE & HOW IT IMPACTS MENTAL HEALTH’; Tuesday 23rd at 10am ‘HAPPINESS & CONTENTMENT’. Call/Text Karen McHale on *086-0294901* or email *recovery.educatormrc@hse.ie* to register. New participants are invited to begin at any time during the semester.

***Marriage Counselling*** is available at Convent Rd., Ballaghaderreen and at Moneen, Castlebar. Enquiries to *087-9972503*.

***Fr. Peyton Centre Opening Hours*** are as follows: Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5.30pm. Tel: *096-45374*; Fr. Peyton Mission Office, Main Street Knock, F12 Y8 H2, Saturday and Sunday 10am to 3pm until 15th December.

***Retreat Co-Ordinator, Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass:*** Applications are sought to fill this position. Full details and job description are outlined in the extended online newsletter and at [*www.frpeytoncentre.ie*](http://www.frpeytoncentre.ie). To apply, send a cover letter and resume/C.V. to: *frpeytoncentreboard@gmail.com* by Wednesday, 25th October.

***Become a Volunteer for Children with a Disability:*** Have you some free time on your hands or have you always been thinking of becoming a volunteer to help those in your community? Enable Ireland Mayo Services require volunteers in all areas of County Mayo to work with children with a disability. Our volunteers usually work one-to-one with a child within their home but also within their community or at our centre in Castlebar. No more than three hours are required per week. We work around your availability to make this exciting opportunity suit your lifestyle. Training is also provided. If you are interested please email *sduffy@enableireland.ie* for further information. This is a very rewarding role and our Volunteers are very positive about their experience.

***Social Bingo*** continues every Monday in The Sheridan Community Centre, Bohola. Doors open at 8.30pm for a **9.00pm start**.

***Formation of Baptism Teams:*** Many thanks to those who have volunteered to join the Baptism Teams. There is still room for members in both parishes so if you are in any way interested do not hesitate to make an inquiry by contacting Fr. Stephen by phone or any PPC member by emailing either *straidepastoralcouncil@gmail.com* or *boholaparish@gmail.com*. An expression of interest will not obligate you to join.

***Workshops for Choirs:*** The Diocesan Liturgy Commission have organised a workshop for parish choirs in preparation for the Advent and Christmas Seasons. Una Nolan, Choir Director at Knock Shrine, has agreed to provide the workshop at two venues in the diocese during November. The first workshop will be in *Swinford Parish Church on Wednesday, November 6th at 7.30pm* and it will be repeated in *Tubbercurry Parish Church on Wednesday, November 13th at 7.30 pm*.

***Living Well*** is a free HSE programme which helps people living with a long-term health condition to manage their condition and improve their overall wellbeing. Anyone with any chronic illness such as diabetes, arthritis, COPD, cardiac illness, anxiety, etc. can benefit from these workshops.

The next programme in Ballinrobe commences on Thursday, 31st October. The programme is delivered over six weekly workshops (2.5 hrs x 6) by trained leaders. Advance registration is required. To find out more, please contact Liam Gildea on *086-0142675* or by email at *lgildea@southmayo.com*.

***FACT Social Club:*** We are an independent community-based service here in Foxford, Co Mayo, and we support people living with Dementia or in rural isolation. We are open Monday to Friday and provide social interaction, activities and much more in a safe and supported environment. If you would like more information on the services we offer, please contact us at *factsocialclub1@gmail.com* or telephone *094- 9256662*.

***Free Advertising with Mayo PPN:*** Are you holding a community event/activity? Email your details with a Jpeg poster to *mayoppn@mayococo.ie*. We will circulate via the PPN social media platforms to our 1,000 plus community groups.

***Catholic Marriage Encounter*** is a weekend experience for married couples who want something more in their marriage – more fun, spontaneity, excitement, communication, understanding, romance, intimacy, passion, joy. Our next *Marriage Enrichment Weekend* runs from Friday 8th to Sunday 10th November in the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co Kildare. Online booking at [*www.marriageencounter.ie*](http://www.marriageencounter.ie/).

***Mindspace Mayo:*** Mindspace Mayo offers a free support service to young people (12-25yrs) in Co. Mayo, presenting with anything from common concerns (e.g. dealing with break-up, exam stress, bullying) to emerging mental health difficulties like mild depression and anxiety. Mindspace is located in Market Square, Castlebar and anyone can make a referral. Visit *www.mindspacemayo.ie* or call *094-9067001*.

***SeniorLine - Would like someone to talk to?*** SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year from 10am to 10pm, Freephone *1800 80 45 91*. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer callers to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. Phone SeniorLine *1800 80 45 91*, open every day of the year, 10am to 10pm.

***Gianna Care***provides help to anyoneexperiencing 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*.

***Mayo Cancer Support*** provides FREE support services to those affected by cancer. Call *(094) 9038407*.

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

***Hospital & Home Visits/Family Deaths:*** *If you wish the priest to visit relations or friends in hospital or at home or to put a notice of family deaths outside the parish in the weekly newsletter – please make contact by phone or email.*

**Retreat Co-Ordinator: Fr Peyton Centre,**

**Holy Cross Family Ministries (HCFM), Ireland**

Location: Father Patrick Peyton Centre, Attymass, Ballina.

Dedicated to the spiritual and cultural heritage of Venerable Patrick Peyton CSC, the Peyton Centre seeks a Retreat Co-Ordinator responsible for designing, organizing, and leading faith-based retreats for children, youth, and adults. Located in Attymass, Co Mayo, the Centre provides insights into the inspiring journey of Father Peyton, the internationally renowned Catholic priest from Co. Mayo, who spread the message of family prayer and peace to millions worldwide.

**Reporting to the Manager, the retreat Co-Ordinator:**

* Responsible for designing, developing, organizing, and leading faith-based retreats for holy communion & confirmation children, youth, and adults.
* The Co-Ordinator will assist in enhancing current programs and expanding outreach to other parishes.

**Qualifications:**

* Background in catholic theology, experience in pastoral ministry or religious education.
* Ability to engage and connect with children, youth, and adults in a faith-based context.
* Excellent communicator, leadership, and organizational skills.
* Ability to work collaboratively with staff, volunteers, and local parishes.

To apply, send a cover letter and resume /C.V. to: frpeytoncentreboard@gmail.com, by Wednesday 25th October .

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[*www.frpeytoncentre.ie*](http://www.frpeytoncentre.ie)

***SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS:***

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***•***Mary Nicholson, St. Mary’s, Temple Street, Sligo. Tel: *086 3750277*.

•Anne Leonard, c/o St. Mary’s, Temple Street, Sligo. Tel: *087 6474136*.

***Diocese of Achonry:***

***•***Helen Diskin, Bishop’s House, Convent Road, Ballaghaderreen. Tel: *087 0516888*.

***TUSLA (Child and Family Agency) – Duty Social Work Contact Details:***

Sligo *071-9155133*.

Leitrim *071-9650324*.

Roscommon *090-6637528*.

Galway *091-546366*.

Athlone *090-6483106*.

Mayo *094-9042283*.

***Garda Confidential Service:***

*1800 555 222*

**PRAYER FOR HEALING OF**

**SURVIVORS /VICTIMS OF ABUSE**

***God of endless love,***

***ever caring, ever strong,***

***always present, always just:***

***You gave your only Son***

***to save us by the blood of his cross.***

***Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,***

***join to your own suffering***

***the pain of all who have been hurt***

***in body, mind, and spirit***

***by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.***

***Hear our cries as we agonize***

***over the harm done to our brothers and sisters.***

***Breathe wisdom into our prayers,***

***soothe restless hearts with hope,***

***steady shaken spirits with faith:***

***Show us the way to justice and wholeness,***

***enlightened by truth and enfolded in your mercy.***

***Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,***

***heal your people’s wounds***

***and transform our brokenness.***

***Grant us courage and wisdom, humility and grace,***

***so that we may act with justice***

***and find peace in you.***

***We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.***

 ***United States Conference of Catholic Bishops***