

Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter



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Newsletter available on mayo.ie website and [Straide Parish Facebook page](#)

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 16th June 2024

The Week Ahead

Saturday, June 15 th .	8.00pm * Bohola	Kevin Fanning, Tooromeen. (1 st Anniversary) Richard & Agnes Walsh, their son Tom & daughter Delia Mary, Lissaniskey. Paul Woods, Lismirrane (10 th Anniversary) & deceased family. Michael & Josephine Manley, their son Tommy & his wife, Maimie, daughter Mary Harte, son Martin and grandson, Dermot.
Sunday, June 16 th .	9.30am Shraheens 11.00am Straide	Pat & Celia O'Brien, Ara, & deceased family. Mary Bogue (15 th Anniversary), her husband Gerry & deceased of Deacy & Bogue families. Pat & Julia Maloney, Helen White and James & Bridget McDonnell.
Monday, June 17 th .		No Mass.
Tuesday, June 18 th .	10.00am Straide 7.30 – 8.30pm	For all the People. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.
Wednesday, June 19 th .	10.00am. 5.00 – 10.00pm	Private Intention.....(Adoration follows until 12 noon) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. (Blessed Sacrament Chapel)
Thursday, June 20 th .	10.00am Straide	Private Intention.
Friday, June 21 st .	8.00pm	Ian Pielow, Ballyglass. (3 rd Anniversary)
Saturday, June 22 nd .	8.00pm * Bohola	Luke & Margaret (Peg) Shannon, Treenabontry.
Sunday, June 23 rd .	9.30am * Shraheens 11.00am Straide	Bridie Lavelle, Bohomore. (3 rd Anniversary) John & Annie Loftus and Michael Carney, Gurteens and Pat & Trudy Loftus, Ballylahan.
<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 Death: Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Ronnie Hughes, Llandudno, Wales, who died suddenly on Wednesday, June 5th. He was the brother of Anita Whelan, Currane. May Ronnie rest in peace.



'Day For Life', A Dedicated Day Celebrating The Beauty And Dignity Of All Human Life:
Day for Life Sunday is celebrated annually with a special message by the Catholic Church across Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day specifically dedicated to raising awareness and reflecting on the deep value and meaning of human life at every stage, and in every condition. On this Sunday, 16th June, the Church will mark Day for Life 2024 with a message on the theme: *The Lord is my shepherd - Compassion and Hope at the End of Life.*

This year's message reminds us that Jesus did not send the sick away, rather He showed that life always has dignity and that there is no such a thing as a useless life. Catholics are called to defend this gift of life to its natural end and to protect vulnerable citizens from a culture that could pressure them into assisted suicide. In this way, we are encouraged to support people with the companionship of a listening ear, appropriate treatment, and the best of care, so that their last days can be times of grace, intimacy and love.

This message also includes a brief human-interest story about a young man named Matt, and the experience of a priest who ministered to Matt and his loved ones in his final months and days. This grace-filled time proved to be a period of intense compassion and profound dignity, as well as a faith enriching experience of love and generosity for all concerned.

The Day for Life message is available on <https://councilforlife.ie/day-for-life-2024/>.

Pastoral Council Meetings: A meeting the Straide Pastoral Council will take place in the Parochial House on Tuesday evening next, June 18th at 8.00pm and the Bohola Pastoral Council will meet in the Parish Centre on Wednesday evening next, June 19th at 8.00pm. All members are asked to attend.



8th & 9th:

Bohola:

€727.

Straide:

Envelopes - €234.

Loose - €127.15.

Restoration - €10.

Thanks for all your contributions.

Post Mass Tea/ Coffee! The Pastoral Councils in Bohola and Straide invite all Mass goers next weekend to a cup of tea/coffee and chat after Mass, in the Parish Centre in Bohola after the Saturday evening 8pm Mass and in the Parochial House, Straide after the 11am Sunday Mass. The people of Shraheens will have to make their own tea on this occasion! All are welcome and our thanks to both PPCs for organising this.

Offertory Envelopes for the year beginning on the weekend of July 6th / 7th will be soon be available. If anybody wishes to be added to the list, that will not be a problem! Just let us know.

Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary Thanks: Sr. Mary Gallagher, who spoke at last weekend's Masses, sent an email during the week and wished to express her thanks to the people of Bohola, Straide and Shraheens for the welcome she received and for the response to her appeal. The total amounts collected were €228.87 in Bohola and €165.25 in Straide. Some envelopes are still available in the churches if anyone else wishes to make a contribution.

'A Hundred Roads to Here': Retreat with Fr Donagh O'Shea from 22nd to 28th June. For information and bookings, please call the Dominican Retreat Centre on 01-4048189.

'Inviting the Gifts of the Spirit': An Ignatian Retreat takes place in the Fr Peyton Centre, Attymass on Saturday, June 22nd from 10.30am to 5.00pm. The cost is €25, including lunch. To book, or for more information, call [087-6798839](tel:087-6798839) or email ignatianretreats@gmail.com.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, June 16th: *Teresa of Avila's practical guide to contemplative prayer* It is absurd to think we can enter heaven without first entering our own souls, without getting to know ourselves. How important it is to recognise this truth that the Lord is within us and that we should be there with him! How is it, Lord that we do not look at your face, when it is so near us? All our trouble comes to us from not having our eyes fixed upon the Divine. A 14-minute video features some gentle and practical advice for meditative prayer, drawn from the teachings of the great 16th century mystic and reformer, St Teresa of Avila. A prolific writer, she sought to demystify the mystical experience and make it accessible. Watch "The Prayer of Quiet" at: www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

The Youth 2000 Summer Festival takes place from August 15th to 18th in Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare - save the date! Join us for a weekend of festivities: talks, testimonies praise & worship, and workshops. Donation only. Check out Youth2000.ie for more information.

Spina Bifida Collection: Thank you to all who contributed to their recent church gate collection in Bohola, Shraheens & Straide. €537.45 was raised.

Foxford Meals on Wheels Service are looking for a person to help out in the preparation of dinners in their kitchen 5 mornings per week. In addition to food preparation successful applicants will be required to carry out cleaning duties in the kitchen area. Applicants must meet the requirements to participate on a Community Employment Scheme. Usual criteria apply. Email application to socialservicesfoxford@gmail.com.

Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw: Congratulations to Alan Bourke, Foxford who won a jackpot of €471 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).

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

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](tel:1800804591). 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 caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. Phone SeniorLine [1800 80 45 91](tel:1800804591), open every day of the year, 10am to 10pm.

Home Sharers Required: Would you be interested in sharing your home and supporting an individual with a disability for a few hours per day, a couple of days per month, or longer term? **Western Care** are looking for single people/couples/families, to provide respite breaks for children and adults in your own home across County Mayo. If you are interested and/or would like further information about Home Sharing, please contact Ruth Kneafsey, Home Share Co-ordinator on [094-9029148](tel:094-9029148) or on [087-6811261](tel:087-6811261). Thank you.

Considering a Postgraduate Study Programme? Check out the options in Theology, Philosophy, Youth Ministry, Chaplaincy, Church Music and more at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth, sppu.ie/courses. Applications close soon.

Postgraduate and Mission & Ministries Programmes at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. Programme applications close from 30th June to 30th August for different programmes. Visit sppu.ie/courses for more information.

Cemetery Masses: Mass will be celebrated in St Joseph's Cemetery, Bohola on Saturday, August 3rd at 6.00pm and in Straide Cemetery on Sunday, August 4th at 11.00am.

See also **Extended Online Newsletter** on [Straide Parish Facebook page](#) or on www.straideparish.com.

A father carries pictures where his money used to be!

Happy Father's (Grandfather's, Great-grandfather's) Day!

Extended Online Newsletter

VAKS Programme: Applications are now open for VAKS (Volunteer at Knock Shrine) programme. It is an opportunity for young people in TY, 5th and 6th 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! It is a particularly exciting opportunity this year as we launch our new state of the art Youth Village this summer! For further information, please check out our website www.knockshrine.ie/vaks-volunteer-at-knock-shrine or contact us on [094-9375321](tel:094-9375321) or email youthministry@knockshrine.ie.

ALONE Volunteer Recruitment Drive for Older People: 'Hi, my name is Paul Stafford and I am the Volunteer Support Officer for ALONE and your local community. I am looking for volunteers in Galway and Mayo and its surrounding areas for older people who need befriending for up to one hour per week and/or telephone support for up to two hours per week. Our befriending programme is designed to help older people combat loneliness and isolation. We need your help more than ever. If this is something that interests you, then please reach out to me on [086-0135043](tel:086-0135043), email paul.stafford@alone.ie or follow the link <https://alone.tfaforms.net/f/ALONE-Volunteer-Expression-of-Interest-2021>.

Cemetery Masses: Advance notification for those away and at home who may be making plans for the summer - Mass will be celebrated in St Joseph's Cemetery, Bohola on Saturday, **August 3rd at 6.00pm** and in Straide Cemetery on Sunday, **August 4th at 11.00am**. Say a prayer that the weather will be somewhat kinder than last year, especially in Bohola!

Millions Facing Starvation in Ethiopia: All are encouraged to please pray for the people of Tigray in Ethiopia, where drought and civil war have left many in crisis and in danger of starvation. Mary's Meals feeds tens of thousands of children one meal in each school day in the region. If you feel called to support our mission and help us reach more children, please visit marysmeals.ie or contact [01-8535163](tel:01-8535163). Thank you.

'Take the Risk for Christ'. Priesthood in Achonry Diocese: Have you the courage to "Take the Risk for Christ"? Contact our Vocations Director, **Fr Paul Kivlehan, The Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen, Co. Roscommon. Tel. [094-9860011](tel:094-9860011), Mobile [087-3683535](tel:087-3683535), E-mail pkivlehan@achonrydiocese.org or contact any local priest for more information.**

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.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024: Dioceses of Killala and Achonry Pilgrimage to Lourdes, under the leadership of Bishop John Fleming, Bishop Emeritus of Killala will take place from July 18th to 23rd, departing from Knock. Five nights full board accommodation in the Hotel Agena costs €929 (single rooms available, supplement applies). Main Pilgrimage bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours by phone on [01-2410800](tel:01-2410800) or Email info@joewalshstours.ie. Book online at www.joewalshstours.ie/tours/killala-achonry-diocesan-lourdes-pilgrimage-2024. No booking is definite until a non-refundable deposit of €300 has been received by Joe Walsh Tours. A limited number of places are available in the Assisted Section. Contact Eileen on [086-4013897](tel:086-4013897).

RHS Home Care is a Non Commercial Home Care Provider bringing professional home care services to those who need assistance to remain living in their own homes. We are now recruiting new Healthcare Assistants in your area and would love to hear from you. Potential applicants must have the required QQI level 5 (two modules completed care skills and care of the older person). Please email you CV to jobs@rhshomecare.ie or call Aoife on [090-6625988](tel:090-6625988).

Fr. Peyton Centre and Mission Centre Opening Hours: Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5.30pm. The Centre will be opened on Saturdays from 25th May until the end of September from 12.00pm until 5.00pm. Tel: [096-45374](tel:096-45374).
Fr. Peyton Mission Office, Main Street Knock, F12 Y8 H2. Opening Hours: Wednesday till Sunday 10am to 3pm.

WHEN PARENTS GET OLD ...

- Let them grow old with the same love that they let you grow.
- Let them speak and tell repeated stories with the same patience and interest that they heard yours as a child.
- Let them overcome, like so many times when they let you win.
- Let them enjoy their friends just as they let you.
- Let them enjoy the talks with their grandchildren, because they see you in them.
- Let them enjoy living among the objects that have accompanied them for a long time, because they suffer when they feel that you tear pieces of this life away.
- Let them be wrong, like so many times you have been wrong and they didn't embarrass you by correcting you. - LET THEM LIVE and try to make them happy the last stretch of the path they have left to go; give them your hand, just like they gave you their hand when you started your path!

