



***23rd & 24th:***

***Bohola:***

€758.

***Straide:***

 Envelopes - €352. Loose - €98.45.

Restoration - €25.

*Thanks for all*

*your contributions.*

 **Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter**

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 **Easter Sunday – 31st March 2024**

###### The Week Ahead

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| **Saturday, March 30th.** | **9.00pm *Straide*** | **The Easter Vigil.** |
| **Sunday, March 31st.** | **7.00am *Shraheens*****11.00am*\* Bohola*** | **Dawn Mass of the Resurrection. Sonny McNicholas, Carrowntleva, & deceased of McNicholas & Mullaney families.** **For all the People.** |
| **Monday, April 1st.** | **12 noon *Straide*** | **Mary Lowe Chavez, Chicago, formerly of Straide, followed by burial of her ashes.** |
| **Tuesday, April 2nd.** | **7.30 – 8.30pm**  | **No Mass.****Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.** |
| **Wednesday, April 3rd.** | **10.00am****5.00 – 10.00pm** | **Private Intention.………(*Adoration follows until 12 noon)*****Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*** |
| **Thursday, April 4th.** | **8.00pm** | **John & Kate McEvey, and deceased of McEvey, Wilcox & Jordan families and Colin Hornsby.** |
| **Friday, April 5th.** | **7.00pm *Straide*** | **Tommy Athy , (1st Anniversary), his parents Mary & Thomas and his sister, Nora McNamara.** |
| **Saturday, April 6th.** | **8.00pm*\* Bohola*** | **Michael Walsh, Ardacarra, his son Micheál & deceased family.****Molly Philbin, Barnsley, England.** |
| **Sunday, April 7th.** | **9.30am *Shraheens*****11.00am *Straide*** | **Mary & Johnny McNicholas, Ara, & deceased family.****Kathleen McKeon, Shanvalley, Kiltimagh. (Month’s Mind)****Dan Molloy, Rathcoole, Dublin, formerly Tavnabeg (2nd Anniv.) and his wife, Merci.** |
| ***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 Death:*** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of *Anne Vaitkus (née Lowe)*, Chicago, USA and formerly of Straide, who died on Saturday last, 23rd March in Chicago. She was the sister of Martin Lowe, Straide and of Geraldine McKeon, Ballyvary. May she rest in peace.

***Mass Time Change:*** Clocks go forward one hour this weekend so please remember that the Saturday evening Vigil Mass goes back to ***8.00pm*** from next Saturday, April 6th for the Summer months.

***Adoration Time Change in Straide:*** Adoration goes ahead on Tuesdays as usual but will now be from **7.30 to 8.30pm** starting on Tuesday next and continuing at that time for the Summer months.

***Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration Annual Pilgrimage to Knock*** takes place on Saturday, 13th April from 7.00pm to 9.15pm and on Sunday, 14th from 10.30am to 5.30pm. Full details on posters in church or see *ww.eucharisticadoration.ie*.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, March 31st:*** *“Yes, you will arise from the dead!” ….* The great mediaeval theologian and philosopher, St Thomas Aquinas, greatly valued music as a source of contemplative insight in Christian life. What better way to celebrate this wonderful season of Easter than by praying along with the transcendental choral finale of Mahler's Resurrection Symphony performed in Ely Cathedral by the London Symphony Orchestra and the Edinburgh Festival Chorus, conducted by the incomparable Leonard Bernstein. Access it at: [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

***Trócaire Lenten Campaign 2024:*** Please return your Trócaire Box or envelope donation as soon as possible and it would be greatly appreciated if you could convert coins into notes.

***Michael English Concert in St. Nathy’s Cathedral:*** An evening with Michael English (Church Concert) on Easter Monday, April 1st at 8pm. Tickets (€30) are available from Towey’s Shop, Main Street, and the Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen *(094-9860011)*. Tickets can be bought on the night at the door OR online *www.michaelenglish.ie*.

***Straide & Townlands Spring Clean:*** SCDG are delighted to confirm our participation in the Annual An Taisce National Spring Clean again this year in Straide and surrounding Townlands throughout the month of April. Meet each Sunday morning at 9.30am at the Community Hall, commencing Sunday, 7th April. We can provide Hi-Vis, Gloves, Bags, Picks etc. and we can assess what Volunteers we have for each area. Or go ahead and organise in your own Townland (safely) as it suits you. Contact us for any items or assistance you may need. Tel. *087-6883880*.

***Darkness into Light 2024 in Straide:*** Supporting Pieta House. After two very successful walks the past two years, our local Committee are very proud to announce that this year Straide is an Official Darkness into Light Walk for 2024 which takes place on Saturday, 11th May. We will be holding a Registration event in the coming weeks which we will advertise in advance or you can go online at *www.darknessintolight.com*. Choose Mayo and choose Straide as your walk option.

***The 2024 Western People Martin Sheridan Bursary Awards Scheme*** is now open for applications. €5,000 in funds is available to support athletes from Co. Mayo. Further details and application forms are available by emailing *martinsheridanbursary@gmail.com*. Closing date for completed application forms is Friday, **May 10th**.

***Straide Church Rotas for April***

***First Reading:*** Sarah Canning.

***Second Reading:*** Fiona Kelly.

***Prayers of the Faithful:*** Fiona Kelly.

***Minister of Communion:*** Mary Byrne.

***Offertory Collectors:*** Peadar Lennon & Kevin Bogue.

***Opening/Closing Church:*** Mary Roche.

***Moy Davitts 50th Anniversary Commemorative Mass:*** As part of the 50th Anniversary of the Moy Davitts GAA Club, a special Commemorative Mass will be held on Friday, 19th April at 7.30pm in St. Michaels Church, Foxford. All are invited and welcome to attend this special celebration.

***Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw:*** Congratulations to Mairead Gallagher who won a jackpot of €413 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.

***Social Bingo*** continues every Monday in The Sheridan Community Centre, Bohola. Doors open at 8.00pm for an 8.30 start.

***Active Age Group Trip to Donegal:*** Parke Active Age Group invites anyone who may be interested to join them on their annual trip to Donegal and Derry from 16th to 19th of May. For details, phone Marian on *087-2758084*.

***Tractor Run 2024:*** Parke Crimlin Development is holding its Tractor Run on next Sunday, April 7th, starting in Parke at 12.30pm, proceeding through Turlough Village, onto the N5 past Horkan’s. The cavalcade will follow the N5 to Ballyvary, turning onto the N58 Ballina Road and on to Doherty’s Pub, turning left through Knockfall and back to Parke via Muckanagh. Proceeds in aid of Local Development and Mayo Autism.

***Parke Arts & Drama Group******presents******‘The Park Bench’*** - *A Two Act Comedy by Ashley Burgoyne* on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th April at 8.30pm in Parke Community Hall. Doors Open at 8.00pm. Admission: €12.00.

***Clothes Collection:*** Kiltimagh Knock United's fundraising clothing collection takes place this Easter Monday, April 1st (11am to 1pm) at the Kiltimagh Knock United clubhouse, CMS Park, Cloonlee, Knock (F12 HF61).

***Knock Drama Group Presents ’Paige Fright’ An Ode to Joy*** at Aghamore Community Centre (F35 AT21) on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th April at 8pm. Strictly over 18’s. Tickets €12.50 plus booking fee are available online at Eventbrite. (Limited tickets available on the night at the door).Enquiries: Leonie *086-8486924* or Joe *086-2938216*.

***Mayo Stoma Support Group Meeting*** takes place on Thursday, 11th April at 7.00pm in the Ellison Hotel, Castlebar. Contact Christopher on *(087) 6275766* with your name and number of people attending. All are welcome.

***Six Week Mindfulness Class*** starts on Tuesday, 9th April from 7pm to 9pm in The Moy Hotel, Foxford. More information on [*www.olliebrogan.com*](http://www.olliebrogan.com/) or contact Ollie on *087-2484187*.

***Fr. Peyton Cluster Meetings:*** In line with Bishop Paul`s wishes, it was decided to restart our Fr. Peyton Cluster meetings for laity and clergy. The first meeting will take place in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass, on Wednesday, 10th April at 8pm. Each Pastoral Council is invited to send 2 lay members as well as the priest.

***Play Therapy Service:*** Are you worried about your child? A new Play Therapy service is now available at Knock Counselling Centre. Play Therapy is an excellent therapeutic response to younger and some older children/adolescents, who experience emotional or psychological distress. For further information please contact *094-9375032* or email: *counsellingoffice@knockshrine.ie*.

***Bereavement Programme at Knock Shrine:*** A four week programme on ‘Understanding Grief, a journey towards Healing’ will be held in St John’s Welcome Centre, Knock on April 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th beginning each evening at 8pm. It will be presented by Monica Morley. Admission is free but booking is essential. Call *094-9375320*.

***Extended Online Newsletter*** includes expanded notes on some of the above plus *ACCORD Seeks Volunteers*, *SeniorLine - Would like someone to talk to?* Freephone *1800 80 45 91*, *VAKS Programme* Knock Youth Ministry, *Marriage Encounter* Weekend and more!

***The Easter Bunny never died for anyone!***

***Wishing you all a very Happy Easter***

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We hope once again to entertain and make it a night of fun and laughter.

We would like to dedicate this play to the memory of Michael Carty, Carty's Bar, Knock. Michael was a wonderful friend to our Drama Family and we had many performances in Carty's Bar.

***All Married Couples Deserve a WWME Weekend!*** The next Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held in the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare from Friday 26th to Sunday 28th April. Register online at [*www.marriageencounter.ie*](http://www.marriageencounter.ie). Good marriages can always be made better!

***ACCORD Seeks Volunteers:*** ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and if you have enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage, then Accord wants to hear from you! Successful applicants will receive professional training and be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally. Please contact Aisling on *01-5053112* or by email to *marriagepreparation@accord.ie*. See [*www.accord.ie*](http://www.accord.ie).

***Free Course:*** Do you love cooking? Do you want to improve your cooking skills? Are you interested in doing a training course to give you the culinary skills to work in a Restaurant or Hotel kitchen? Are you receiving a DA payment or do you need assistance in finding employment? If so, you can work part-time and keep your benefits. The course will help you develop your everyday cookery skills in a modern purpose-built culinary setting. You will explore a range of classic recipes aimed at breakfast, lunch and dinner options. This course is packed full of hints and tips for the home cook. In addition, a work placement in a local hotel or restaurant will be secured for you and on the job training and support will be provided. Call Ruairi on *087-1202617* or email *ruairi.hughes@nln.ie*.

***CANA Talks – “A Roadmap to Happiness”*** will take place in the T.F Royal Theatre, Castlebar on Friday, 31st May at 8pm. Six speakers plus Special Guests. Inspiration & Entertainment. Each speaker has just 15 minutes to inspire you (from a faith perspective)! Enjoy real-life stories, humour, inspiring talks, great visuals, music and more. This is not a conference but a show! Tickets €23 plus booking fee at *www.ticketmaster.ie*. Tickets also at the door. See [*www.canatalks.com*](http://www.canatalks.com).

***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*. Thank you.

***SeniorLine - Would like someone to talk to?*** SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am-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 caller 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-10pm

VAKS Programme: Knock Youth Ministry are now accepting applications for VAKS (Volunteer

at Knock Shrine). This programme offers 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 you can contact us on 094 9375321 or youthministry@knockshrine.ie