



***24th & 25th:***

***Bohola:***

€940.

***Straide:***

 Envelopes - €314.60. Loose - €46.55.

Restoration - €70.

*Thanks for all*

*your contributions.*

 **Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter**

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 **Third Sunday of Lent – 3rd March 2024**

###### The Week Ahead

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| **Saturday, March 2nd.** | **12.00 noon *Straide*****1.30pm*\* Bohola*****7.00pm *Straide*** | **Julia Molloy, Knockshanvalley. (Month’s Mind)****Funeral Mass of Pádraic Filan, Rathruane.****For all the People.** |
| **Sunday, March 3rd.** | **9.30am *Shraheens*****11.00am*\* Bohola*** | **Private Intention.****Mary & Martin Carney, Bohola.** |
| **Monday, March 4th.** | **12. noon *Straide*** | **Funeral Mass of Kathleen Frances McKeon, Shanvalley, Kiltimagh.** |
| **Tuesday, March 5th.** | **7.00am*\******7.00 – 8.00pm**  | **Mary Mulhern & her parents, Tom & Betty, Lisgorman.****Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Straide.** |
| **Wednesday, March 6th.** | **10.00am****5.00 – 10.00pm** | **Special Intention ….*..….(Adoration follows until 12 noon)*****Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*** |
| **Thursday, March 7th.** | **10.00am *Straide*** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Friday, March 8th.** | **8.00pm** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Saturday, March 9th.** | **7.00pm *Straide*** | **Michael Peyton, Brownhill, Ballyvary (11th Anniversary).** |
| **Sunday, March 10th.** | **9.30am *Shraheens*****11.00am*\* Bohola*** | **Private Intention.****Nancy & John Doyle, Treenabontry.****Mary Walsh, Sheridan Park.** |
| ***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 *Pádraic Filan*, Rathruane, who died on Wednesday last, February 28th and whose funeral took place in Bohola on this Saturday. May he rest in peace.

Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the soul of *Kathleen Frances McKeon (née McNamara)*, Shanvalley, Kiltimagh, who died on Thursday last, February 29th. Her remains will repose in Campbell's Funeral Home, Swinford, on this Sunday from 4pm until 6pm. Her funeral Mass will take place at 12 noon on Monday in Straide followed by cremation in Shannon Crematorium at 4pm. May she rest in peace.

***Straide Passion Play:*** The next rehearsal takes place this Monday night, March 4th at 8.00pm sharp.

***The Annual Retreat for Ministers of the Eucharist and Scripture Readers of the Fr Peyton Cluster*** will take place in The Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on this Sunday, 3rd March, from 2.30 to 4.30pm. It will be conducted by Fr. Valerian.

***‘Our Parish – Facing The Future’*** is a series of talks continuing in Knock on the coming Mondays, March 4th and 11th. These will be held in St. John’s Centre, Knock from 8pm to 9.30pm. They are very relevant to PPCs or others involved in parish/Church life. They are free sessions. People can go to one or both. Details on flyer in church.

***Trócaire Lenten Campaign 2024:*** This year Trócaire’s Lenten Campaign focuses on the country of Malawi, Africa. In Malawi, longer and more severe droughts in recent years have dried up small streams and water holes. Unfortunately, some areas are also affected by cyclones and flooding. When this happens, the simple mud houses are badly damaged. The water that falls is not suitable for drinking or farming but causes a huge amount of destruction. Trócaire is working with local partners to help communities to rebuild after these events and to be better prepared for the future. To learn more, go to: *https://www.trocaire.org/our-work/ working-in-ireland/parishes/*.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday, March 3rd:*** *Inspiring Lives ….* “Your life as a Christian should make non-believers question their disbelief in God.” These words were written by Lutheran pastor, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, martyred for his faith in Nazi Germany. We all know of people whose lives inspire us by their courage, generosity, imagination or brilliance. Over Lent, the Lives to Inspire retreat from the Scottish Jesuits will focus on 40 people, some canonised saints, others renowned for their lives of love and public service. The range is diverse – including Francis of Assisi, Dorothy Day, Nelson Mandela, Elizabeth Ann Seton, St Brendan the Navigator, Hildegard of Bingen and many more. Each reflection is accompanied by a passage of Scripture, a piece of music and a thought-provoking image. Click here to access this excellent Lenten resource: [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

***Talk in the Michael Davitt Museum - Cilliní In Modern Ireland*** takes place this Sunday, March 3rd at 2pm presented by the Kellogues Historical Society. Deirdre McGuirk will talk about the significance of Cilliní (children's burial grounds) in our modern world. This promises to be a fascinating insight into a remnant of our past traditions. All are welcome and admission is free.

***The Annual Achonry Pioneer Dinner Dance*** will be held on Friday, 8th March at 8pm sharp at The Yeats County Inn, Curry. Music by The Duets. Tickets are €35 per person. Please contact Thomas at *087-2344338* or Caroline at *086-1660196* for more information and to book your tickets.

***MS Ireland*** wish to thank all who contributed so generously to the recent church gate collection in Bohola and Shraheens. The amount raised was €300.11. All monies raised in the collection will go directly to the provision of services to persons from Mayo who live with MS.

***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.

***Bohola National School Enrolment:*** Bohola National School is currently accepting applications for enrolment in September 2024. For application forms please email *boholaschool@gmail.com* or call *094-9384271*. Please note: children must be 4 years of age by April 1st, 2024.

***Straide Church Rotas for March***

***First Reading:*** Kathleen Canning.

***Second Reading:*** Myra Keenan.

***Prayers of the Faithful:*** Myra Keenan.

***Minister of Communion:*** Hugh Rainey.

***Offertory Collectors:*** Marion McHale & Vinnie Foy.

***Opening/Closing Church:*** John McNicholas.

We are also delighted to announce the opening of our Afterschool Club with Aoife and Joe Joyce, Directors of Little Nest Care Ltd. Registration forms are available from the school, by emailing *littlenestcareltd@gmail.com* or by phoning *083-1948292*.

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

***Moy Davitts 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book Call Out for Material:*** As part of our 50th Anniversary this year, Moy Davitts is compiling a special commemorative book looking back at the five eventful decades of our club’s history. This book will be launched at a special club event later this year. We are on the look-out for material which can be included in the book, including old match programmes, press cuttings, articles, team photos, pictures from special trips and events or anything you may have relating to the club’s development over the past number of years.

So, if you have any material which you would be happy to share with us, please email the details to: *moydavitts50@gmail.com* or please call Bernie on *086-8532293* for further details.

***Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw:*** Congratulations to Dara Gaughan, Attymass who won a jackpot of €388 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

***Bereavement Support Meetings:*** Life after a bereavement can feel very lonely. Trained facilitators conduct a weekly Bereavement Support Meeting at the Family Centre, Knock Shrine, each Wednesday at 11am. There is also a special meeting for bereaved partners / spouses on the First Thursday of each month at 11am. No appointments needed. Further information from Monica Morley on *094-9375320*.

***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*.

***St Patrick’s Pontifical University, Maynooth:*** Applications are now open for postgraduate programmes in Theological Studies, Healthcare Chaplaincy, Youth Ministry and Liturgy. More information is available at *sppu.ie* or by calling *01-708 4778*.

***‘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).

***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 €20 plus booking fee at *www.ticketmaster.ie*. You can pay cash at the door. See [*www.canatalks.com*](http://www.canatalks.com).

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