

Bohola/Straide/Shraheens Newsletter



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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 22nd January 2023

Masses for the Week

Saturday, January 21 st .	7.00pm <i>Straide</i>	Private Intention.
Sunday, January 22 nd .	9.30am <i>Shraheens</i> 11.00am* <i>Bohola</i>	Fr. Billy Hughes & deceased of Hughes family. Kathleen & Bernard Molloy, their son, Frank & deceased of Molloy & Moran families. Eileen Tierney, Ardgullen (13 th Anniversary), her husband, James & Tommy Quinn.
<i>No Mass on Monday or Tuesday.</i>		
Wednesday, January 25 th .	10.00am 7.00 – 9.00pm	For all the People.....(Adoration follows until 11.30am) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
Thursday, January 26 th .	10.00am <i>Straide</i>	Martha Violet Annie Jordan, Derrinogue (2 nd Anniversary).
Friday, January 27 th	10.00am <i>Straide</i>	Kitty Foster (née Howley), Waltham Abbey, England.
Saturday, January 28 th .	12 noon <i>Straide</i> 7.00pm <i>Straide</i>	Ulick Bourke, Coolkeevane (Month's Mind). Kate & Pat Lavelle, Coolkeevane.
Sunday, January 29 th .	9.30am* <i>Shraheens</i> 11.00am* <i>Bohola</i>	Noel O'Brien, his sister Ita Sloyan and their parents, Pake & Teresa. Mike & Helen McNicholas & dec'd McNicholas & Corcoran families. Tom Walsh, Ardacarra & deceased of Walsh family.
<p><i>The Bohola weekend Mass will be live-streamed on the Bohola Post Facebook Page every weekend.</i> <i>Any other Bohola Masses are put online when requested. (Marked with * above)</i> <i>All Bohola Masses will be broadcast on the 105.5 FM Radio channel.</i> <i>All Straide Masses can be seen live on www.straideparish.com or www.churchtv.ie/straide.</i></p>		

Recent Death: Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Charlie Brett, Treenabontry, who died on Thursday, 12th January and whose funeral took place in Bohola on Sunday last. May he rest in peace.
 Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the soul of Kitty Foster (née Howley), Waltham Abbey, England, who died on Friday, December 23rd and whose funeral took place last Wednesday, January 18th. She was the sister of Tom Howley, Knockshanvalley. Mass will be offered for her in Straide on Friday next at 10.00am. May she rest in peace.

Straide Parish Pastoral Council

The list of names of those who were nominated to serve on the Straide Pastoral Council is posted at the back of the church. Ten people on the list have withdrawn their names – they hadn't been asked to allow their names go forward by those who nominated them. We ask that those remaining on the list would confirm their intentions one way or the other. We can then proceed to form the PPC should there be sufficient numbers.
 Please note that the Constitution for Pastoral Councils states that *"in order to ensure the effective working of the PPC, membership of the Council should consist of between 8 and 15 people"* and *"only one member of a family can be elected"*.

Study Theology, is this for You? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before Wednesday, February 8th. Find out more on our website, prioryinstitute.com.

Bohola National School Enrolment: Bohola National School is currently accepting applications for enrolment in September 2023. For application forms please email boholaschool@gmail.com or call [094-9384271](tel:094-9384271). Please note: children must be 4 years of age by April 1st, 2023.

Anam Cara Mayo, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday, 24th January at 7.15pm in the T.F. Royal Hotel, Castlebar. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We now also offer an online support service. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or [085-2888888](tel:085-2888888) for any queries. For more information see anamcara.ie.

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

Mayo Cancer Support provides FREE support services to those affected by cancer. Call [094-9038407](tel:094-9038407).

JUST A THOUGHT

A seminary professor was vacationing with his wife in Gatlinburg, TN. One morning, they were eating breakfast at a little restaurant, hoping to enjoy a quiet, family meal. While they were waiting for their food, they noticed a distinguished looking, white-haired man moving from table to table, visiting with the guests. The professor leaned over and whispered to his wife, 'I hope he doesn't come over here.' But sure enough, the man did come over to their table.

'Where are you folks from?' he asked in a friendly voice. 'Oklahoma,' they answered. 'Great to have you here in Tennessee,' the stranger said... 'What do you do for a living?' 'I teach at a seminary,' he replied. 'Oh, so you teach preachers how to preach, do you? Well, I've got a really great story for you.' And with that, the gentleman pulled up a chair and sat down at the table with the couple. The professor groaned and thought to himself, 'Great ... Just what I needanother preacher story!'

The man started, 'See that mountain over there? (pointing out the restaurant window). Not far from the base of that mountain, there was a boy born to an unwed mother. He had a hard time growing up, because every place he went, he was always asked the same question, 'Hey boy, who's your daddy?' Whether he was at school, in the grocery store or drug store, people would ask the same question, 'Who's your daddy?' He would hide at recess and lunch time from other students. He would avoid going in to stores because that question hurt him so bad. 'When he was about 12 years old, a new preacher came to his church. He would always go in late and slip out early to avoid hearing the question, 'Who's your daddy?' But one day, the new preacher said the benediction so fast that he got caught and had to walk out with the crowd. Just about the time he got to the back door, the new preacher, not knowing anything about him, put his hand on his shoulder and asked him, 'Son, who's your daddy?' The whole church got deathly quiet. He could feel every eye in the church looking at him. Now everyone would finally know the answer to the question, 'Who's your daddy?'

'This new preacher, though, sensed the situation around him and using discernment that only the Holy Spirit could give, said the following to that scared little boy.. 'Wait a minute! I know who you are! I see the family resemblance now; you are a child of God.' With that he patted the boy on his shoulder and said, 'Boy, you've got a great inheritance. Go and claim it.' 'With that, the boy smiled for the first time in a long time and walked out the door a changed person. He was never the same again. Whenever anybody asked him, 'Who's your Daddy?' he'd just tell them, 'I'm a Child of God....'

The distinguished gentleman got up from the table and said, 'Isn't that a great story?' The professor responded that it really was a great story! As the man turned to leave, he said, 'You know, if that new preacher hadn't told me that I was one of God's children, I probably never would have amounted to anything!' And he walked away... The seminary professor and his wife were stunned. He called the waitress over & asked her, 'Do you know who that man was -- the one who just left that was sitting at our table?' The waitress grinned and said, 'Of course. Everybody here knows him. That's Ben Hooper. He's governor of Tennessee!'

Someone in your life today needs a reminder that they're one of God's children! *'The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of God stands forever.'* (Isaiah) YOU'RE ONE OF GOD'S CHILDREN!!!

Karate Classes take place in the Sheridan Memorial Community Center, Bohola on Wednesdays from 7.00 to 8.00pm . Open to Children from 5 upwards to Teens and Adults.

Karate Classes also available in Foxford Leisure Centre on Tuesday evenings 6pm to 7pm and 7pm to 8pm.

For more information contact the coach, Aaron McLoughlin at [086-0657738](tel:086-0657738).

Award winning, Claremorris Musical Society proudly presents its 16th annual production - "9 to 5 The Musical" from Wednesday, February 1st to Sunday, February 5th at 8pm nightly in Claremorris Townhall Theatre. Tickets on sale now and available at www.townhall.ie or by calling the Townhall on [094-9310999](tel:094-9310999).

Free Marriage Tips:

- 1. Don't ask your wife what time dinner will be ready while she is mowing the lawn!***
- 2. The best way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once!***

Catholic Schools Week 2023
Catholic Schools:
Walking Together in Faith and Love
 22 JANUARY – 29 JANUARY

MONDAY
 Walking Together in Faith

TUESDAY
 Walking Together in Love

WEDNESDAY
 Walking Together to Celebrate
 (Grandparents Day)

THURSDAY
 Walking Together to Transform our World

FRIDAY
 Walking Together in Hope