# Parish of St. Ultan

**BOHERMEEN - CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN** 

**PASTORAL AREA** NAVAN, BOHERMEEN, JOHNSTOWN, **ORISTOWN** Fr. Andy Doyle. P.P.



# **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 3<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST 2025

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'We are called to be a welcoming caring faith community who bring people to Jesus who sends us out with Good News for all'.

REFLECTIONS Harrison McCaffrey

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# THREE LESSONS FROM THE PARABLE OF THE RICH FOOL

Life is More Than Possessions: While it's not wrong to have wealth or possessions, it becomes problematic when they become the center of our lives. Jesus warns against all kinds of greed. Our lives do not consist of the abundance of our possessions but in the depth of our relationships, our character, and most importantly, our relationship with God.

The Uncertainty of Tomorrow: The rich man's plans revolved around his assumption of many years ahead. Yet, none of us truly knows how much time we have left. While it's wise to plan for the future, it's equally wise to live in the present, with gratitude, generosity, and an awareness of life's fragility.

True Wealth is in Relationship with God: The parable ends with a poignant question: What value are our earthly treasures if we're not rich towards God?' Material wealth can be fleeting, but a rich relationship with God is eternal. It's the kind of wealth that feeds the soul, brings genuine joy, and has eternal significance.

**Application:** Today, let's ask ourselves: What treasures are we storing up? Are our barns filled only with earthly possessions or with acts of kindness, love, and faithfulness? Are we living for today without a thought of eternity? Are we rich in material wealth but bankrupt in our relationship with God?

Conclusion: Beloved, let us remember that life is short and unpredictable. Our true value isn't determined by the amount in our bank accounts or the size of our barns, but by the richness of our souls and our relationship with God.

#### **YOUNG ADULTS (18-40 YRS) RETREAT:**

August 29-31 2025 (Friday evening-Sunday afternoon) at Our Lady of Silence Abbey, Roscrea. Prayer with the monks, inspiring talks, friendship in the faith, holy Mass, opportunity for personal guidance, confession, magnificent walks in beautiful grounds. A great opportunity to discern one's path in life. Cost: Donation (Full board, own room)

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'Behold I stand at the door and knock' Rev3:20 

In this Jubilee Year, may no one be deprived of the opportunity to receive God's forgiveness and consolation! (Pope Francis). Confession this Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August in St. Mary's Church, Navan, 4pm-6pm. Parishioners are invited to celebrate God's liberating mercy and forgiveness during the Jubilee Year. Sunday's confessor will be Fr. Martin Halpin, Summerhill and Kilmessan.

OFFERING DAY: Today Sunday 3rd August is an Offering Day. Please use the pink & white envelope in your box of envelopes. Thank you.

# Thought for the Day

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Earthly riches are like the reed. Its roots are sunk in the swamp, and its exterior is fair to behold; but inside it is hollow. If a man leans on such a reed, it will snap off and pierce his soul. St. Anthony of Pauda

Wealth consists not in having great possessions, but in having New wants. **Epictetus** 

Money is a terrible master but an excellent servant. P.T. Barnum

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give. Anonymous

It is health that is the real wealth, and not pieces of gold and silver. Mahatma Ghandi



Mass Intentions Sat. 2nd to Sun. 24th Aug. Bohermeen Church-Daily Mass at 9.30am

(Funeral replaces Mass)

Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug.

Cortown at 6.00pm

-Edward. Mary & Oliver O'Reilly-Ann. Mass

#### Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug.

Boyerstown at 10.00am

-Thomas, Kathleen & Francie Fitzsimons

Bohermeen at 11.30am

- -Katelyn Boyle-4th Ann.
- -Ann Reilly-8<sup>th</sup> Ann.
- -Bernard McLoughlin-40th Anniversary

#### Mon 4th Aug.

Bohermeen at 10.00am

Tues to Fri. at 9.30am

## Sat. 9th August

Boyerstown at 6.00pm

-for the people of the parish

#### Sun. 10th August

Cortown at 10.00am

-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-Tommy Murtagh-6th Anniversary

#### Mon 11th to Thurs. 14th

Bohermeen at 9.30am

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Aug. Boyerstown at 7.00pm
-VIGIL MASS for THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

FRI. 15<sup>th</sup> Aug.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Cortown at 10.00am

Bohermeen at 11.30am

# Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> Aug.

Cortown at 6.00pm

-for the people of the parish

## Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> Aug.

Boyerstown at 10.00am

-Patrick Connell -3rd Anniversary

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-Kevin Ball-1st Anniversary

#### Mon to Fri

Bohermeen at 9.30am

Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug.

Boyerstown at 6.00pm

-for the people of the parish

## Sun. 24th Aug.

Cortown at 10.00am

-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am

- -Patrick Bell-40th Anniversary
- -Sean, Bridget & Margaret Bell-Ann. Mass

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**Pray** for Tony Brady, Carlow (formerly of Cortown) who died recently. May he rest in peace.

# Ministers of the Word:

Sun. 3rd Aug: Pat Farrell

Sun. 10th Aug: Rachel McCormack

Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> Aug: Ann Ryan Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug: Áine Keating

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug: Ann Reilly & Margaret Farrell
Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Aug: Julie Yore & Geraldine Sheridan
Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> Aug: Tracy Mulvany-Cahill & Brigid Mackin

Sun. 24th Aug: Joe Murtagh & Paul Murray

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- leaving your weekly envelopes into the envelope boxes in the Churches or into the Parish Office.
- Tap to donate machine located in the Church
- go online and do a weekly/monthly direct debit to Bank of Ireland, Navan,

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Building Fund €404.00 Priests Offerings €0.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen –€207.00

Cortown –€107.00 Boyerstown – €187.00

Tap to Donate €20.00

## **MEN'S JUBLIEE CAMINO**

Men's hike - Sat Sept 13<sup>th</sup> - 20kms, on greenway, from Dominican Abbey (ruin) in Carlingford to Newry (St Catherine's) via Newry Cathedral (Jubilee Indulgence). Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions & Fraternity. Registration & details on www.dominicans.ie/events/. €70 (Lunch, dinner & bus), over 18's male event. Enquiries to op.evangelisation@gmail.com. See poster in Church porch.

Happy the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven Matthew 5:3