

# Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD World Communications Day 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE 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'.

### IRISH BISHOPS CALL FOR PRAYER AND FASTING FOR GAZA

"It appears that humanity has lost its heart" – Irish Bishops

Irish Bishops meeting in Maynooth offered prayers for peace in the Holy Land, for Ukraine, Sudan and in other troubled parts of the world. In particular, bishops discussed the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza, stating:

"From all over Ireland, parishioners are reporting their horror and helplessness on seeing images of death and communal destruction in Gaza. Exhausted mothers can no longer nourish their young, children are dying of malnutrition, while aid lorries full of supplies are being refused entry into the territory, or are not safely arriving at their destination.

"We in Ireland must pray for a change of heart. Throughout the month of June – the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus – we call on everyone to pray for an outpouring of the compassion of God on a heartless world.

"To see the relentless bombardment of civilian areas, the deliberate withholding of food from the starving, as well as the callous holding of hostages, it appears that humanity has lost its heart. In the face of these horrors, we invite everyone to turn to the heart of Jesus throughout the month of June by praying for the renewal of heart that our world so desperately needs.

We call on all Catholics to make the **first Friday, 6 June**, a day of prayer and fasting in solidarity with our sisters and brothers who are suffering at this time in the Holy Land.

"We echo Pope Leo XIV's recent appeal to allow into Gaza 'the entry of dignified humanitarian aid and to put an end to the hostilities, whose heartbreaking price is paid by the children, elderly, and the sick.'"

Communicating in this way helps us to become 'pilgrims of hope', which is the motto of the present jubilee.

### CEMETERY DEVOTIONS 2025

**Martyr:** Sat 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025 at 5.00pm.  
**Bohermeen:** Sat 31<sup>st</sup> May after **6.00pm Mass**  
**Cortown:** Sun 1<sup>st</sup> June after 10.00am Mass  
**Allenstown:** Sun 1<sup>st</sup> June at 11.30am  
**Moyaugh:** Sun 1<sup>st</sup> June at 12.00noon  
**Boyerstown:** Sun 1<sup>st</sup> June at 5.00pm.  
**Ardbraccan:** Sun 1<sup>st</sup> June at 6.00pm.

**OFFERING DAY-Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> June** is an offering day. Please use the envelope provided in your box of envelopes or otherwise use a normal envelope and put your number on it. Many thanks.

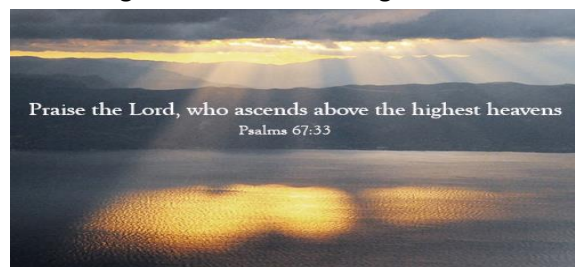
### EXCERPT FROM THE LIVING SPIRIT-THE TABLET BY CARDINAL ROBERT PREVOST (POPE LEO XIV)

Francis has a very keen mind and a very keen sense of the vision of where he wants to move the Church. And he recognises that any large institution can become, just as any person, we become very set in our ways. We always did it that way. We don't want to change. We've been doing it like this for ever.

And one of the risks of that attitude which is comfortable for us, it's like we create a safety zone or security zone for ourselves and that's wonderful.

But one of the risks of that is we miss the presence of the Holy Spirit, that breeze that may go by that says: yes, you always did it that way and maybe for six centuries it was wonderful – but maybe it's time to look at things differently.

Maybe it's time to recognise that all of us grow and change and learn new things.



Praise the Lord, who ascends above the highest heavens  
Psalm 67:33

**Mass Intentions Sat. 31<sup>st</sup> to Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> June**

**Bohermeen Church**-Daily Mass at 9.30am  
(Funeral replaces Mass)

**Sat. 31<sup>st</sup> May**

Boyerstown at 6.00pm

-for the people of the parish

**Bohermeen at 6.00pm & Cemetery Devotions**

-The Boyle Family

-Brendan Coyle

-Charlie, Mary, Kieran & Barney Thornton.

**Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> June**

Cortown at 10.00am

-Teddy & Betty Smith and dec'd family members

-Michael, Valentine, Matt, Jim, Tom & Paddy Flanagan

-Mary Brady. Margaret & Philip Browne.

-Dec'd, past and present members of Cortown Altar Society

**NO 11.30am MASS IN BOHERMEEN**

**Mon. 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 10.00am**

**Tues to Fri. 9.30am**

**Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> June**

Cortown at 6.00pm

-MM-Kevin Traynor

**Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> June**

Boyerstown at 10.00am

-John O'Brien-3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-Noel Quirke-10<sup>th</sup> anniversary

-Seamus McMahon-6<sup>th</sup> anniversary

-Pat Fitzsimons & dec'd family members

**Ministers of the Word:**

**Sat. 31<sup>st</sup> May:** Maureen Kerrigan

**Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> June:** Dympna Herward

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Sat. 31<sup>st</sup> May:** Joe Murtagh & Brigid Mackin

**Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> June:** Ann Reilly & Margaret Farrell

**PRAY** for Mary Higgins, Allenstown who has died in Michigan, USA. Funeral Mass and burial of ashes will take place in Bohermeen at a later date.

**MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES SEPT 2025 'PILGRIMS OF HOPE'** - Bookings can be made directly with Joe Walsh Tours - 01-241 0800. For further information and assistance with booking please contact Jennifer Reilly on 086 877 0729.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** Please contact us on Freephone 1800 677 777 or through our website [info.northeast@svp.ie](mailto:info.northeast@svp.ie) . Strict confidentiality is guaranteed at all times.

**FINANCES - THANK YOU**-We wish to acknowledge and thank all those who have sent in their Offerings and weekly envelopes and all those who pay by standing order. This really helps our finances. It is greatly appreciated. Offerings can be made by;

- 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,**  
**IBAN IE04 BOFI 903509 8059 7424**  
**BIC BOFIE2D (please include your box no.)**

**Building Fund €423.00 Priests Offerings €0.00**  
**Offertory Collections: Bohermeen -€253.00**  
**Cortown -€87.00 Boyerstown - €193.00**  
**Tap to Donate €20.00**

**MEATH DIOCESE PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST.** Knock Shrine, Croagh Patrick, and Lough Derg are issuing a Jubilee Year Pilgrimage Passport for 2025. See <https://www.pilgrimagepassport.ie/>

**LOUGHCREW SUNDAY** June 29<sup>th</sup> Mass at 3.00pm  
Come and help us celebrate the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the birth of St. Oliver in Loughcrew, Oldcastle (Eircode A82 X4Y1). ALL ARE WELCOME.

**BOHERMEEN ATHLETIC CLUB** will promote the 39<sup>th</sup> Patrick Bell & Nicky Phillips memorial 5k run and community-family walk on Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup> at the earlier time of 6.00pm and will be followed by the usual bar-b-que and live music, the club welcomes families and all the clubs of the parish to take part.

**TROCAIRE RETREAT – RAISING HOPE:** celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Laudato Si in the beautiful surroundings of Ballyvaloo.

13 – 15 September in Ballyvaloo Retreat and Conference Centre, Enniscorthy, Co Wexford.  
€250 per person (accommodation and all meals included in price. Details on attached posted. To register please email [anna.keegan@trocaire.org](mailto:anna.keegan@trocaire.org)

**IRISH CHURCH MUSIC ASSOCIATION:**

3 day Summer School for all Church Musicians, Choir Directors and Parish Choir Members takes place 1-3 July at St Patrick's College, Maynooth. The theme this year is 'Pilgrims of Hope' and the three days are based around this. Participants can go for 1, 2 or 3 days. Please find attached the ICMA 2025 brochure where you will find all the necessary information. The ICMA is supported by the Irish Bishops Conference and we encourage as many as possible to attend even for one day. (Payment is usually financed by the Parish).

**LOUGH DERG 3 DAY PILGRIMAGE** (Jubilee of Hope 2025) Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.  
For further information and bookings contact Carmel Carty on Tel: 044 9374818