## Parish of St. Ultan

**CORTOWN** 

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT(Gaudete)

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**BOHERMEEN** 

Fr. Andy Doyle. P.P.

**BOYERSTOWN** 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2021

www.bohermeenparish.ie Mon-Fri 9.30-1.00

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

Today's Gospel -Someone is coming by Fr. Silvester O'Flynn. OFM. Cap. The Irish Catholic

Loved by God Pope Francis is a great believer in the joy of religion. He is all against what he calls "sourpuss religion". One has only to look at the titles of his great documents: The Joy of the Gospel: Rejoice and be Glad, which is a simplified application of the previous document: and his document of family life is called The Joy of Love. Here is a very important piece of advice he gives. "Do not be afraid to set your hearts higher, to allow yourself to be loved and liberated by God. Do not be afraid to let yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit" (Rejoice and be Glad, 34).

John the Baptist The great Advent figure, John the Baptist, was called to prepare a way for the Lord. His preaching was good news for many people who were given no hope by the religious institutions of the day. The word of God which he proclaimed stirred up in people a surprising willingness to mend their ways. They asked him what they should do. People who were wealthy were told to give to those who lacked the essentials of life. In sharing with others, they would experience the joy of giving. Tax collectors were told to be totally honest in their dealings. Soldiers were told, "No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!" In contrast to the preaching of John the Baptist, those who congratulated themselves on the merit they accumulated by their religious observance were not ready to hear. They did not know their need for a Saviour. They had no need of Advent, or so they thought.

> Heavenly Father, in your mercy grant us your saving help during this Advent time as we try more earnestly to grow together in holiness and faith in the light of Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen

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. Thank you for your help. It is greatly appreciated.

Offerings can be made by;

- leaving your weekly envelopes into the Parish Office.
- go online and do a weekly/monthly direct debit to

Bank of Ireland, Navan, IBAN IE04 BOFI 903509 8059 7424 BIC BOFIIE2D (please include your box no.)

**Building Fund €528.50** Priests Offerings €25.00 Offertory Collections: Bohermeen - €290.20 Cortown - €90.70 Boyerstown - €111.10

## PLEASE PLACE ALL ENVELOPES INTO THE BOXES AT THE ENTRANCES.

Tap to Donate- We have a new Tap to Donate facility in Bohermeen Church. It is an easy, secure and confidential way to donate to our parish finances. The limit is set at €5.00.



Mass Intentions 11<sup>th-</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021

## **Bohermeen Church**

Mass every weekday morning at 9.30am – Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> –John, Kathleen, Colm & Jim Kavanagh (Funeral replaces daily Mass)

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Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> December – Cortown at 6.00pm-MM-Kathleen Henry

Bohermeen at 7.15pm-Liam Clogher-2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> December –Boyerstown at 10.00am –Tommy Rogers-8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Bohermeen at 11.30am – Paddy Flanagan-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> December – Boyerstown at 6.00pm-James O'Brien-9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Bohermeen at 7.15pm-For the people of the parish

Sun. 19th December - Cortown at 10.00am - Therese & Paddy McGarr & granddaughter Dakota

Barbara & Patrick Tully
Dec'd members of Cortown GAA
Dec'd members of The Reilly Family

Bohermeen at 11.30am - Patrick, Anne, Kevin and Joyce Lowry-Ann. Mass

Ministers of the Word: Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> –DTiM Parent Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> DTiM parent

Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> – Dympna Herward Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> – Ann Ryan

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat. 11th Dec. Jennifer Reilly & Cathal O'Reilly

Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. Joe Murtagh & Tracy Mulvany-Cahill

Pray for Loretto Barker, Culfore Road, Ardbraccan who died on Friday. May she rest in peace.

St Ultan's Historical Society historical calendars are now on sale in local shops and from members, this year there is a limited print run. The calendars are €7 each. Calendars will be available to buy after Mass this weekend.

St. Vincent de Paul Anyone in need of assistance for the Christmas period please contact the St. Vincent de Paul helpline – 1800 677 777.

Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards- We have a small number of Christmas Mass Bouquets available to purchase at the parish office. Cards including Mass cost €10.00 each.

Confessions for Christmas will take place in St. Mary's Church, Navan on Tuesday 21st December from 8.45am until 11.00pm.

## **Christmas Mass times**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Eve Cortown at 5.00pm

Boyerstown at 6.30pm Bohermeen at 6.30pm

Saturday 25th Christmas Day Cortown at 10.00am

Boyerstown at 10.00am Bohermeen at 11.30am

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December Boyerstown at 10.00am

Cortown at 10.00am Bohermeen at 11.30am

