Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN CORTOWN BOYERSTOWN

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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'Jesus is our best friend, and we share God's mystery and love with each other.'

Hello everyone,

A Big Welcome to all our online parishioners and to all of you who look in from different parts of Ireland. You are all most welcome.

We invite you to make Sunday, the Lord's Day special, by welcoming Jesus into your life.



INTERIM PARISH SCHEDULE

The Sunday Mass 'obligation' continues to be relaxed and people who are unwell should not come to church. Masses will continue to be available on the webcam. We ask for your patience and understanding as we adjust to this new situation. Please continue to observe the regulations.

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#### Today's Gospel

Jesus does not see things as we do. Time and time again in his parables, he turns our expectations upside down and helps us to see things in a different light. Today, he tells the story of the landowner who pays the same wages to all his workers – those who were hired at the crack of dawn and those who only joined late in the day. Naturally, the 'early birds' are put out by this – they feel it is unjust, even though they received the wage they were promised.

Maybe we sympathise with the complainers. In our individualistic society, we can fall into the trap of thinking that only certain people deserve good things. Those who work hard, who are law-abiding, who make the most of opportunities – they deserve a decent standard of living. Think of how often we hear people complaining about those who are struggling, saying they do not deserve assistance or 'handouts'?

Such criticisms fail to take into account that not everyone has the same opportunities or privileges in life. But in this parable of Jesus, the landowner treats everyone the same, regardless of their productivity. He recognises that not all of them had the same opportunity – some were just luckier than others, in the right place at the right time. God is just and generous, and he expects us to have the same respect for everyone, regardless of their position in life.

<u>Eucharistic Ministers needed urgently.</u> If you would like to or know of someone who would like to become a Eucharistic Minister, please get in touch with either Fr. Andy or Anne. Full training will be given.

Pray for Imelda O'Connor (nee Keely), Dooradoyle, Limerick, sister of Kathleen McGlew, who died last week. May she rest in peace.

Mass Intentions for week 20th - 27<sup>th</sup> September

# **Bohermeen Masses**

Daily Mass at 10.00am

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Saturday 19th September at 7.15pm – for the people of the parish Sunday 20th September at 11.30am – for the people of the parish Saturday 26th September at 7.15pm – Peter Reilly-8th Anniversary Sunday 27th September at 11.30am – Pat Vahey-26th Anniversary

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#### **Cortown Masses**

Friday evenings at 7.30pm
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00am –James Gilsenan-2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.
-Thomas, Una and Eamon Loughran-Ann. Mass
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 6.00pm Jean & Alan Quigley-Ann.Mass

Boyerstown Masses

Thursday evenings at 7.30pm

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 6.00pm –Tommy Rogers-7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00am – Patrick, Margaret & Eddie Farrelly-Ann. Mass

-Joseph & Lily Harte-Ann.Mass

-Francis Fitzsimons-3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

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Ministers of the Word-Bohermeen: Sat. 19th Majella Murray. Sun. 20th Sept. Geraldine McHugh

Sat.26th Majella Murray. Sun. 27th Geraldine McHugh

Eucharistic Ministers: Sept: Julie Yore, Joe Murtagh, Carmel McQuaid, Sheila Kenny

Congratulations to the boys and girls of St. Ultan's NS who received the Sacrament of First Communion this weekend.

<u>Thank you –</u> to the children of St. Ultan's NS for their generous donation towards the flowers.

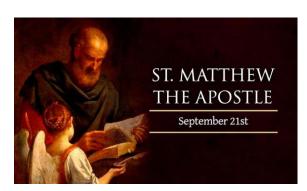
<u>Baptisms</u> will take place at 12.00noon in Bohermeen Church on Sundays. There will be one baptism per Sunday. Contact Anne in the Parish office for bookings. Tel. 046 907 3805.

Alpha Our next Alpha starts in the Autumn. It will be specially focused towards those who experience illness or have a family member suffering from illness. You can register your interest now. Simply email bohermeenparish1@gmail.com with the word "Alpha" and your phone number. We will contact you before the launch.

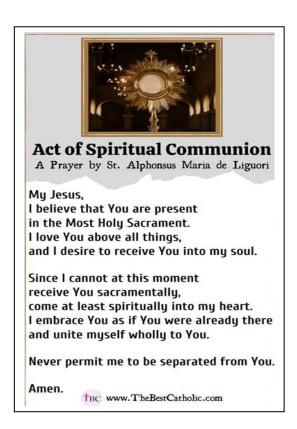
Prayer

It is not easy to understand the mind of God. He sees goodness where we see none; he showers blessings where none seem to be deserved. Yet even with our limited vision we can be sure he is near us whenever we call him.

Prayer to Saint Matthew (Feast Day Sept. 21st)



O Glorious St. Matthew
through the grace of God
Our Father you gave us the Holy Gospel,
which brings us joy and life.
Inspired by your example,
I ask for your assistance
in all my needs.
Help me to follow Christ
and remain faithful to His service.
Amen.



Once upon a time there was an island where all the feelings lived together.
One day there was a storm in the sea and the island was about to get drowned.
Every feeling was scared but Love made a boat to escape.
Every feeling boarded the boat Only 1 feeling was left.
Love got down to see who it was.
It was EGO.
Love tried and tried but ego wasn't moving.
Meanwhile the water was rising too.
Every one asked love to leave him and come in the boat, but love was made to love.
In the end all the feelings escape and
Love dies with ego on the island.
Moral: Love Dies because of EGO.

Laughter is the best medicine

Accidentally stepped on my husband's foot: "Sorry."

Accidentally stepped on my dog's paw:

"Oh my God, I'm so SORRY!
Are you ok buddy? I'm SO, SO sorry.
I didn't mean to hurt you.
I LOVE you. You want a treat?
You're the best boy, yes you are."

Middle age is just walking around all day muttering things like:

"What was I going to say?"

"Why did I come in here?"

"Did I already take my pill?"

"How did I get this bruise?"

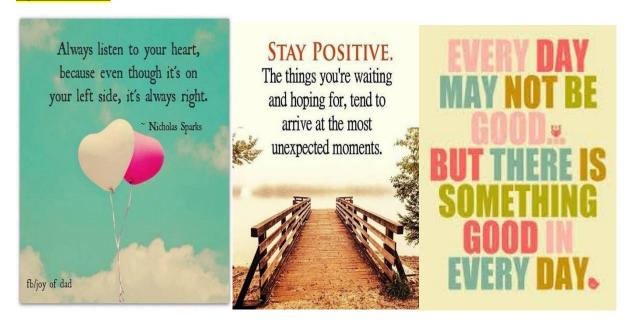
"Why am I sore?"

"Where did I leave my phone?"





Tip of the week



Young people



<u>Finances - Thank You</u>-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 envelope in the box in the Church
- or better still if you can go online and do a weekly/monthly direct debit to Bank of Ireland,
 Navan, IBAN IE04 9035 0980 5974 24

Building Fund €431.00 Priests Offerings €130.00.

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen: €199.94 Cortown: €97.90 Boyerstown: €96.75 The income from the Offertory collection which goes towards the heating, electricity, insurance etc., has been down by 50% on some weekends.

To all our readers

Can you help to circulate this bulletin by passing it on to some of your family members and friends. Getting it to each person in the parish is our aim. Better still ask your friends to simply email the parish office bohermeenparish1@gmail.com with the word "Bulletin".

It will be emailed each Friday. Currently over 600 families receive this bulletin each week. It is also available in the 3 churches and in McHughs, Greetiagh and Gala Stores, Allenstown.

Final thought

Make your weekend great. Make it happy. Take care and God bless.

