

Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

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Mon-Fri 9.30-1.00

'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.



Today's Gospel – Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap.

Doubting Thomas - The apostle Thomas was missing that day. He absolutely refused to believe what the others told him about the Lord's appearance. He was so loyal to Jesus that he once declared that he was willing to go to Jerusalem with him and die with him. But he was loyal to a fault. Loyalists find it very hard to accept change. He was so loyal to the former days of knowing Jesus physically that he was not ready to know him by faith instead of physical recognition. When the Lord appeared the following Sunday, he invited Thomas not only to see his wounds but to touch them. Touching the wounds is very significant because it suggests getting in touch with any wounded part of our inner self. The steps in a rehabilitation programme begin with getting in touch with the inner wounds of life. The humble admission of an inner hurt or an uncontrolled addiction involves touching the wounded area. Then it is handed over to the Higher Power. And there is no Power higher than the Saviour who knows suffering from the inside because he has experienced it personally. He achieved the ultimate victory when he conquered death itself by rising from the dead. The story of Thomas is a wonderful example of how our very wounds can be the place where we get the grace of knowing that the Lord is closer to us than the closed door. I have met many people in recovery who have developed a powerful prayer-life.

Masses Due to Government restrictions, all Masses have moved online.

You can tune into mass from Bohermeen Church and receive spiritual communion every weekday at 10.00am, Saturday at 6.00pm and Sunday at 11.30am by going to the parish website <http://www.bohermeenparish.ie/our-parish/webcam/> or www.churchservices.tv/bohermeen

The Churches will remain open if you wish to visit to say a prayer or light a candle.

Mass Intentions from 10th -18th April 2021

Bohermeen Masses

Mass every weekday morning at 10.00am

Sat. 10th April at 6.00pm-Pat & Molly King and deceased family members
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Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> April at 11.30am – Fr. P.A. (Foncey) Mackin – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
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Sat. 17th April at 6.00pm – Máire Clarke-3rd Anniversary
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Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> at 11.30am – John Luddy 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary and his father Tom-Ann. Mass  
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Ministers of the Word-Bohermeen: April 10th -Áine Keating. April 11th - Kerri Finnegan
April 17th -Majella Murray. April 18th – Geraldine McHugh
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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

Building Fund €765.50 Priests Offerings €1160.00
Offertory Collections: €195.00

TROCAIRE BOXES-can be dropped off at the Parish Office. Converting the coins to notes would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Big Thank You to all our readers and contributors - As always, a Big Thank You to all our contributors and readers. If another family member or friend would like to receive the bulletin, simply send their email address to the parish office bohermeenparish1@gmail.com with the word “Bulletin”. The traditional short version is also available in the 3 churches and in McHughs, Greetiagh and Gala Stores, Allenstown.

Found-A gift card. Please contact the Parish office.

Irish Hospice Foundation – Bereavement Support Line Tel: 1800 80 70 77. Mon. – Fri. 10 am–1 pm.
This is for anyone grieving in these exceptional times; they may be grieving a COVID-19 death, a death from other causes or maybe a previous loss is feeling particularly difficult right now. We are here to listen and support those struggling with loss.

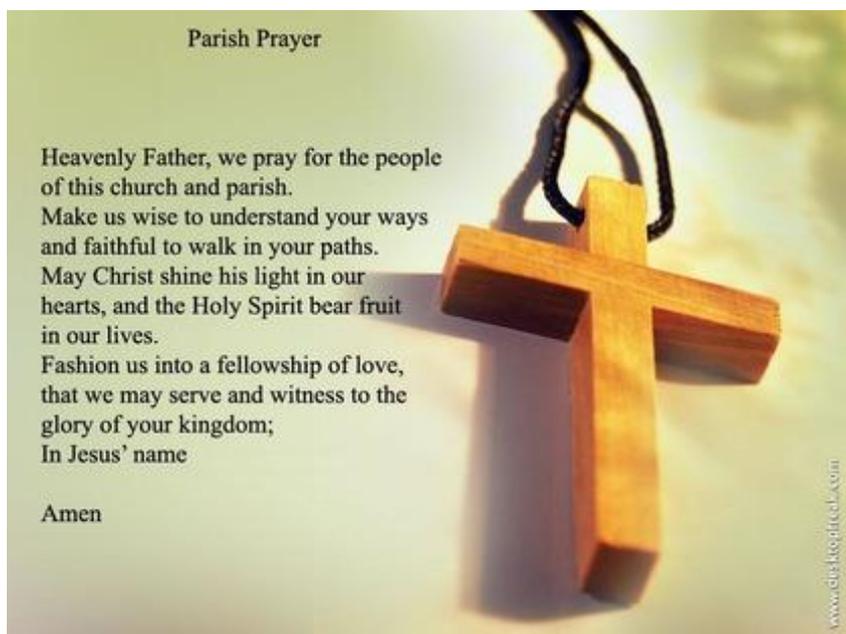
St. Ultan’s Ladies GFC are running a competition for a Team Challenge. For full details see their Facebook/Instagram page @stultansladiesgfc

Jesuit prayer for calmness and peace ... author unknown

Lord, please put Your peace in my heart.
I'm worried and anxious.
My mind races and obsesses.
I can't help thinking about my problems.
And the more I think about them,
the more depressed I become.
I feel like I'm sinking down in quicksand
and can't get out.
Calm me, Lord.
Slow me down, put Your peace in my heart.
No matter what problem I have, Lord,
You are bigger,
You are more powerful than it is.
So I bring my problem to You.
I know what I want.
I know my will.
I do not know Yours.
I do not know how You will use this problem for my salvation.
I do not know what good You will work out from this evil.
But I trust You.
I trust Your goodness and Your wisdom.
So I place myself in Your hands.
Please fill my heart with peace.

Jesuit prayer to Heal Stress

Loving God, please grant me peace of mind and calm my troubled heart. My soul is like a turbulent sea. I can't seem to find my balance, so I stumble and worry constantly. Give me the strength and clarity of mind to find my purpose and walk the path you've laid out for me. I trust your Love God and know that you will heal this stress. Just as the sun rises each day against the dark of night. Please bring me clarity with the light of God. In your name I pray.



Tip for the week**Start dreaming and planning**

Sometime during the summerwe will be free to travel againlet's not overdo it maybe start with a family day out in Dublin. You know the best things in life are free where can you go places to see things to do to engage the whole family. Go on be a hero to your family. Who will take the lead suggesting interesting places / things in Dublin, Let's create a "to do / to go" list.

Phoenix Park – yes let's start there – free parking and there's so much to see and do. Park up at the Pope's cross. Sit in the car for a while and people watch ... and then do yours. It's always interesting to see what people get up to fly a kite, lots of family games ... it's a natural playground lie on your side and roll down the hill (children and parents) watch the keep fit routines during the week there was a young man and woman doing a series of genuflections (sorry- knee bends) and after the warmup they enjoyed a keep fit boxing bout.

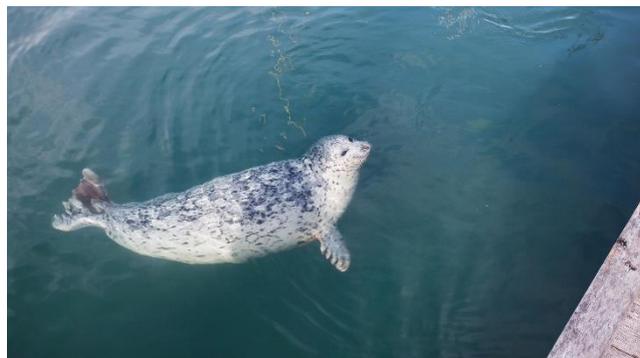
Walk a major circle of the open park past the magnificent residence of the USA ambassadors house ... imagine the garden party there on American Independence Day, through the wood with all the timber constructions / art works, dip down to the lake valley, then on to the normal hangouts of the deer herd. Currently there are about 200 baby deer in the park. They have a mixture of caution and curiosity. During the week the crows were landing on the backs of the deer, to pluck nice soft baby hair to line their own nests.



Visit some of the small woods and climb, swing, play around the amazing trees. Let the child in you come out.

Bring a picnic ... lots of people do.

Howth – again lots of free parking. Go for a long walk along the piers. Smell the sea air and let the wind blow away all the cobwebs. Watch the sailing and fishing boats. How many bird varieties can you see? Watch out for the gulls. They are the most brazen in Ireland. They will take food right out of your hand, lunch box, wherever you leave it and land on the bonnet of your car if you are inside eating food.



Take some leftover food / bread from home with you and feed the harbour seals. They love people – not to eat – but the prospect of some easy food handouts.

Then head out along the coastal path south from the village. It takes you along the cliff top. Watch out for the small lizards ... they perfectly camouflage with the greenery. In the summertime, you can also be entertained by

the people who high dive from the rocks into the sea. From the top of Howth Head, there is a panoramic view of the Bailey lighthouse and all of Dublin bay. Watch the ships coming in and out of port. It's a place to dream.

To finish up enjoy that wonderful picnic you brought along, or if you love "fish and chips" head for Beshoffs. No, I don't get a retainer!! But the Howth shop has the freshest, nicest fish you will eat.

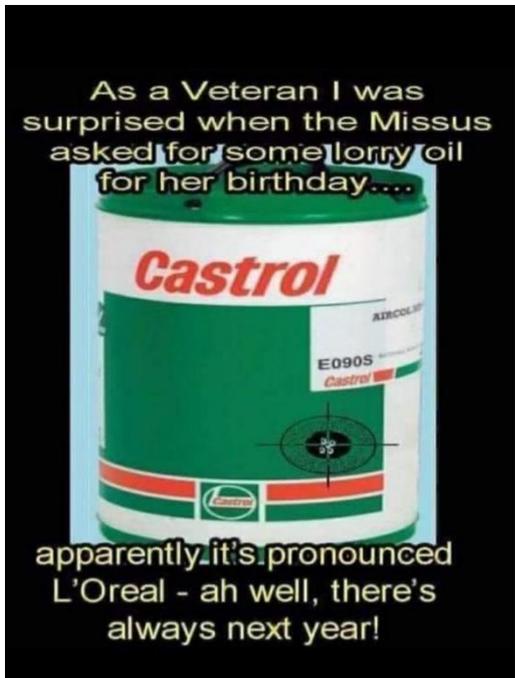
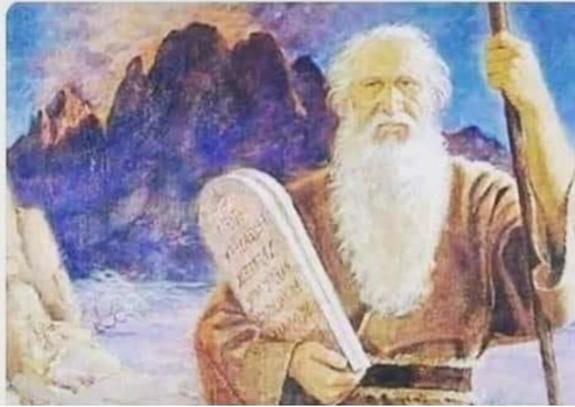
Laughter is the best medicine

No is ever intended with these cartoons / videos. In troubled times, it is good to laugh at ourselves.



Bored during Lockdown? Call a women's rights group and ask to speak to the man in charge.

So technically Moses is the first man to download files from the cloud using a tablet.



Young people (and for the young in heart and mind)

Video story from 1 April.

Yes, I know it's past April Fools day, but I couldn't resist showing this video that was sent in.

It's about a driverless bike!
Maybe it was being driven by a spirit or ghost?

It's courtesy of Google bike



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RC9niU8gBD4>

Another video story

With the easing of covid restrictions in the summer maybe we could go to the sea? and take a SUP (a stand-up paddle board) Let's see what this man's dogs can do.

Could you train your dog to go along for the ride?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oSrjcfubOKk>



Final thought

Make your weekend great.

Make a splash (your way)

Make it happen.

Make it happy.

Take care and God bless.

