

Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN

CORTOWN

BOYERSTOWN

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10TH OCTOBER 2021

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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 – Points to Ponder by Marissa Sotos-Tree of Life-The Intercom

Voluntary poverty is radical, and it always has been. Throughout church history there have been people who have taken up this call to give away all their worldly possessions. In early and medieval times there was Anthony of Egypt who sold his family's property after hearing this story, and Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi who were born wealthy and chose radical poverty, and closer to our own time St. Teresa of Calcutta known as Mother Teresa, and as of today officially canonized St. Oscar Romero who very publicly advocated for the poor in El Salvador and was martyred by a sniper while saying mass in 1980, as well as many more who have not received recognition.

Choosing poverty and to advocate for people who have little money and power is so against human inclination that we look at it with astonishment, just as the rich man and the disciples reacted with shock to Jesus' instructions. Of all the things people do because of their faith, this is one of the rarest.

Being a Christian absolutely calls for us to reckon with our money and our stuff and to take seriously what our material situation reflects and impacts about our values, relationships and trust in God.

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 BOFIE2D (please include your box no.)

Building Fund €487.50 Priests Offerings €0.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen - €415.70 Cortown - €45.50 Boyerstown - €143.60

PARISH FINANCIAL SITUATION

The Parish accounts for 2020 are with the Accountant at present. The following are the figures for the Offertory collections from our three churches for the nine months from January to September for 2019 and 2021.

2019 €27,407.75

2021 €8,399.06

Deficit of €19,006.69 69.4% decline

The Offertory collection pays for Insurance, Heating, Electricity, bulletins, weekly envelopes, secretarial expenses etc.,

There were no public Masses from Dec. 26th2020 to 10th May 2021.

As winter approaches, this is unsustainable. We are left with no choice but to revive the traditional offertory collection.

The average weekly income from the offertory collection for the nine Sundays in August and September this year is

Bohermeen = €154.67

Boyerstown = €72.13

Cortown = €62.00

TOTAL €288.76

In 2019 the average weekly income from the offertory collection was

TOTAL €864.00

PLEASE PLACE ALL ENVELOPES INTO THE BOXES AT THE ENTRANCES.

Mass Intentions 9th – 17th October 2021

Bohermeen Church

Mass every weekday morning at **9.30am** (*There will be no Mass on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday*)
Funeral replaces daily Mass.

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Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> October – Boyerstown at 6.00pm – Thomas McGill-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Bohermeen at 7.15pm – James & Rose McDonnell-Ann. Mass

Joe Reilly-4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> October – Cortown at 10.00am – Mass for all those buried in our local cemetery

Bohermeen at 11.30am – Francis and Ann Farnan-Ann. Mass

Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> October – Cortown at 6.00pm - MM-Jack Meehan

- Bohermeen at 7.15pm – Edward & Annie Ball and decd members of the Coogan family

Mark & Mary Kerrigan-Ann. Mass

Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> October – Boyerstown at 10.00am – Mass for all those buried in our local cemetery

Bohermeen at 11.30am – Thomas (36<sup>th</sup>) & Kevin (2<sup>nd</sup>) Gilsenan-Ann. Mass

Maggie, James & Helen Mulroe

**Ministers of the Word:** Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Sandra Coffey      Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Lauren Finnegan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> Oct. Jennifer Reilly

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Oct. Dorothy Rennicks & Sheila Kenny

**Pray** for Bridget Farrelly, Grangegodden, Kells, Larry Boyle, Navan and John Smith, Navan who died recently. May they rest in peace.

**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.

**St. Joseph's NS, Boyerstown** are now accepting applications for enrolment for September 2022. Enrolment forms are available from the School Office which can be contacted at [boyerstownns@gmail.com](mailto:boyerstownns@gmail.com) or 046 902 7252. The deadline for receipt of completed enrolment forms is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

**Safeguarding Sunday: 10 October 2021**

This Sunday is Safeguarding Sunday in the Diocese of Meath. As we come back together it is important that we remember the spirit of safeguarding embodied in our parish communities.

We have been aware during Covid restrictions of keeping each other safe. Safeguarding in our Church involves this same spirit and underpins everything that we do as a parish community.

As adults in the Church, it is our Christian duty to work together to make sure that children's participation in Church activities is safe.

We can fulfil this duty by participating in safeguarding training and abiding by the policies and procedures in place in Church activities such as attendance registers and appropriate supervision ratios.

**St. Ciaran's Community School, Kells** are now accepting Applications for 1st Year September 2022.

Application Forms are available to download from our website [www.stciaranscs.ie](http://www.stciaranscs.ie) There is also a promotional video and prospectus providing an insight into our school on our school website for you to view. Closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November. This deadline is absolute.

**Hallowe'en Fancy Dress Party** in aid of Jack & Jill Children's Foundation on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October from 5.30-7.30pm in Boyerstown Community Centre.

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