BOHERMEEN

Parish of St. Ultan

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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BOYERSTOWN 17TH OCTOBER 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'.

Message from Most Reverend Tom Deenihan, Bishop of Meath, to mark the beginning of the Universal Synod

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Last Sunday, Pope Francis opened the Universal Synodal Pathway. In doing this, he is calling the Church across the world to join in a two-year process of learning to be synodal - in other words, imitating the God who walks the path of life with us at our side and meeting us where we are.

The process, started by Pope Franci,s has been called 'the greatest consultation in the history of humanity'. It is much more than that. It is a process of spiritual and ecclesial discernment, a way of reflecting together, being in prayer together, in adoration together, listening to the Word of God together, so that guided by the Holy Spirit we can discern what God is saying to us at this time in our history.

The Church in Ireland and in the Diocese of Meath will play our part in this process. As with Jesus and the rich man in the Gospel reading last Sunday, we will *encounter* one another, *listen* to one another and *discern* together.

I invite all the baptised in the Diocese of Meath to be part of this process in their own parishes. To this end, it is my wish that every parish will soon have a Parish Pastoral Council, as I am convinced that this is a visible, practical and local sign of synodality, of the people of God walking together on the path of the Gospel. Over the next two years other opportunities will also be offered in parishes for the prayerful discernment of God's will for His Church at this time and those who long to see a new springtime for our Church will be invited to take part.

In the words of Pope Francis as he concluded his homily last Sunday: 'Let us not miss out on the grace-filled opportunities born of encounter, listening and discernment'.

Please join with me in praying the prayer offered by Pope Francis:

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

✤ Tom Deenihan, Bishop of Meath

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.

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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 €633.93Priests Offerings €0.00Offertory Collections: Bohermeen - €640.00Cortown - €164.50Boyerstown - €144.20

PLEASE PLACE ALL ENVELOPES INTO THE BOXES AT THE ENTRANCES.

Mass Intentions 17th – 24th October 2021

Bohermeen Church Mass every weekday morning at <mark>9.30am</mark> Funeral replaces daily Mass.

Sat. 16th 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. 17th October – Boyerstown at 10.00am – Mass for all those buried in our local cemetery Bohermeen at 11.30am – Thomas (36th) & Kevin (2nd) Gilsenan-Ann. Mass Maggie, James & Helen Mulroe Sat. 23rd October – Boyerstown at 6.00pm – Jim Byrne & decd members of the Byrne & Halligan families Bohermeen at 7.15pm – Derek Brady-Ann. Mass Sun. 24th October – Cortown at 10.00am – for the people of the parish Bohermeen at 11.30am- for the people of the parish Bohermeen at 11.30am- for the people of the parish

 Ministers of the Word: Oct. 16th Sandra Coffey
 Oct. 17th Lauren Finnegan

 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Sat. 16th Oct. Cathal O'Reilly

 Sun. 17th Oct. Brigid Mackin & Margaret Farrell

Blessing of the Graves – All the graves in the Parish cemeteries were blessed recently.

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 <u>boyerstownns@gmail.com</u> or 046 902 7252. The deadline for receipt of completed enrolment forms is Friday 19th November 2021.

Athboy Community School are accepting online applications until Friday 29th October. A virtual tour and presentation is available on www.athboycs.ie

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

Mission Sunday 24th October – Overseas Missionaries are in urgent crisis. If you are in a position to help, you can place your offering in the envelopes provided and place them in the boxes at the back of the church. Thank you.

Universal Synod: Last Sunday, Pope Francis called the Church across the world to embark on a synodal process. "Synodal" comes from a Greek word meaning "walking together". Over the next two years, all Catholics across the world are invited to walk together in a process of "encounter, listening, and discernment". Today, Bishop Deenihan invites all of us in the Diocese of Meath to embark on this journey together and to participate actively in this process so that we can discern together what it is that God is asking of the Church at this time.

See <u>www.catholicbishops.ie/synod</u> to learn more about the synodal pathway for the Church in Ireland. See <u>www.synod.va</u> to learn more about the worldwide synod.

