

Parish of St. Ultan

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BOYERSTOWN
26th DECEMBER 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'.

'Jesus is the reason for the season', Celine Byrne says keep Christ in Christmas-By Brandon Scott. The Irish Catholic

Soprano Celine Byrne has insisted that faith must be at the centre of Christmas celebrations, despite all the distractions.

Speaking on RET Lyric FM's *Marty in the Morning*, Ms Byrne said that Mass is a huge part of her family Christmas.

'I go to Church and light candles', Ms Byrne told presenter Marty Whelan. 'I'll be singing at three Masses on Christmas day. They'll all be in different parishes. It's lovely to bring the kids up towards the manger and sing *Away in a manger* and to let them know the importance of Christmas is that Jesus is the reason for the season.'

Reflecting on Ms Byrne's comments, Marty Whelan added that he agreed with Jesus being at the forefront of the festive celebrations and voiced his chargin at where the emphasis is currently placed during the Christmas period. 'We all do it (light candles at church); even if your faith is shaky as it is for some people, you still go and do that because you're remembering them.

"That's why I can't stand 'xmas'," he said. 'It does my head in. What's that about? If you're going to celebrate the reason for the event, that's the reason for the event,' he insisted.

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.

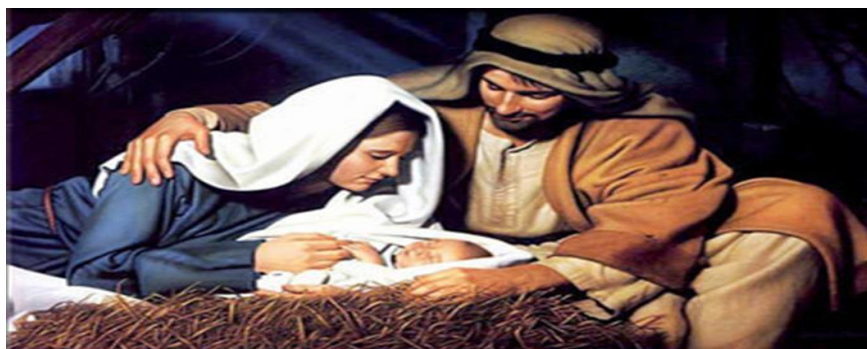
Offerings can be made by;

- 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 €1974.50 Priests Offerings €0.00
Offertory Collections: Bohermeen - €377.00 Cortown - €147.00 Boyerstown - €119.00

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 Sat. 26th December 2021- Sun. 2nd January 2022

Bohermeen Church

Mass every weekday morning (Tues. 28th to Fri. 31st Dec) at **10.00am** –(Funeral replaces daily Mass)

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St. Stephen's Day 26<sup>th</sup> Dec. - Boyerstown at 10.00am-for the people of the parish  
Cortown at 10.00am-for the people of the parish  
Bohermeen at 11.30am – Rose Glennon-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Mon. 27<sup>th</sup> Dec – Bohermeen at 11.00am- St. Joseph's Young Priests  
Edward, Jane & Matthew Ball-Ann. Mass  
Kathleen, Peter & Kathleen King & decd family members  
Louis & Eileen Doherty & decd family members

Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> Jan. 2022 – Boyerstown at 6.00pm –William Smyth-Ann. Mass  
Bohermeen at 7.15pm-for the people of the parish

Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 2022- Cortown at 10.00am –for the people of the parish  
Bohermeen at 11.30am – Joe McDonnell-5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
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Ministers of the Word: Dec. 26th –Ann Ryan Jan. 1st -Isobel Hughes Jan. 2nd Kerri Finnegan

Eucharistic Ministers: Dec. 26th Kathleen Keating & Sheila Kenny Jan. 1st –Cathal O'Reilly & Bridget Mackin
Jan. 2nd – Joe Murtagh & Dorothy Rennicks

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**Pray** for Frank Corcoran, Navan who died recently. May he rest in peace.

**Thank you** to our Altar Societies for decorating the Churches for Christmas. To our Ministers of the Word, Eucharistic Ministers, Collectors, Counters, Stewards, our Caretakers and everyone who helps out in our parish. It is greatly appreciated.

**Thank you** to Tanya from Petals and Pressies for the beautiful flowers for the Altar.

***Wishing all our parishioners at home and abroad a safe, happy and peaceful  
New Year.***

A Christmas Song by Wendy Cope

*Why is the baby crying  
On this, his special day,  
When we have brought him lovely gifts  
and laid them on the hay?*

He's crying for the people who greet this day with dread  
because somebody dear to them is far away or dead.

For all the men and women whose love affairs went wrong  
who try their best at merriment when Christmas comes along.

For separated parents whose turn it is to grieve while children  
hang their stockings up elsewhere on Christmas Eve.

For everyone whose burden carried through the year  
is heavier at Christmastime, the season of good cheer.

That's why the baby's crying there in the cattle stall:  
He's crying for those people  
He's crying for them all.