

Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
30th OCTOBER 2022

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'We are called to be a welcoming caring faith community who bring people to Jesus who sends us out with Good News for all'.

SYNTHESIS

In the coming weeks we will include some of the main themes from the National Synthesis of the Synodal Pathway Consultation sent to Rome.

(x) Liturgy

There is a sense that funerals and special occasions are celebrated extremely well, but there is a need for more creative and engaging liturgies to connect with families and young people. Some feel the Church's liturgies are boring, monotonous, jaded and flat; that they no longer speak to people's lives. There was a desire expressed by respondents for the full participation of the laity throughout the liturgy; and for a wider more diverse group of people, including women, to take part. A minority view seeks a return of the Latin Mass and pre-Vatican II celebrations. It was clear that the Eucharist is highly valued; so much so that, there is a desire for all to be able to receive, including those who are currently excluded.

There was concern that the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation are seen solely through the lens of the school and a desire that those presenting for the Sacraments would participate in the whole life of the Church. Homilies were frequently described as being too long, ill prepared, irrelevant, monotonous and not always connected to life. Church language in the Liturgy is seen as archaic, non-inclusive and hard to understand, particularly the language in the Old Testament readings and liturgical prayers. There was a clear call for simpler, user-friendly, inclusive vocabulary.

The power of prayer was very much valued, as well as the presence of music and song. Some participants felt a great sense of love for our devotional practices and others talked about the power of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Some participants long for the return of House Masses, Station Masses and particular feasts.

It was requested that *Laudato Si'* and a greater presence of environmental issues be part of our liturgies, particularly at certain times of the year. There were requests to move Mass times, so they did not clash with working hours, family time or sporting occasions. There was also a sense that in the future, people may not be reached through liturgy, so a prior step is required in relation to encountering Jesus on a personal level.

List of the Dead - Masses on 1st Fridays throughout the year and on All Souls Day (2nd Nov.) are offered for our faithful departed. For the **List of the Dead**, we ask you to use the purple envelope and name sheet from your weekly box of envelopes. If you cannot locate this envelope, there are some envelopes and sheets available in the Church. The envelope should then be returned with Mass offering to the Parish Office as soon as possible for inclusion in the Book of the Dead, which will be in all Churches during the month of November. The REMEMBRANCE TREE will also be in the Churches. You should write the names of your departed ones on the tags and hang them on the tree.

Cemetery Committee meeting will take place on Tuesday 8th November at 7.30pm in the parish centre. All members are asked to attend.

Dunderry set dancing club. Adult set dancing classes resume in Boyerstown community center on Thursday nights from 8:30 til 10:30. All welcome especially beginners.

Affordable Live-in Homecare provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 991 6791 or 087 744 0729. Our website is www.alhomecare.ie

Bohermeen Parents Association Halloween School Disco takes place on Sunday 30th October in Bohermeen Community Centre from 3.30pm to 7.30pm (fancy dress optional).

Join us today for a cup of tea after Mass in the parish centre.

Thank you

We are very blessed to have so many groups that are actively involved in the life of the parish and we would like to thank you for all the work that you do. We'd love to invite all of you to a get together on Thursday 10th November at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Starting with a cup of tea and a chat on how the parish can help you in the great work that you do. Please confirm your attendance by contacting the parish office. We look forward to seeing you on the night.

Fr. Andy and the Leadership Team

Mass Intentions Sat. 29th Oct- Sun. 6th Nov. 2022

Bohermeen Church

Daily mass at 9.30am (*Funeral replaces Mass*)

Sat. 29th Oct.

Cortown at 6.00pm

-Frank Battersby 2nd Anniversary and his daughter Elaine 4th Ann.

-Joan Meehan-8th Anniversary

Bohermeen at 7.15pm

-Tommy Griffin-3rd Anniversary

Sun. 30th Oct.

Boyerstown at 10.00am

-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am

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Mon. 31st Oct at 10.00am -St. Joseph's Young Priests

Tues. 1st Nov. Feast of All Saints

Boyerstown at 9.30am

Cortown at 10.30am

Bohermeen at 11.30am

Cortown at 8.00pm-Divine Mercy Mass

Wed. 2nd Nov. Feast of All Souls

Bohermeen at 10.00am

Thurs. 3rd Nov.-at 9.30am in Bohermeen

-Oliver Hilliard-8th Ann & William, Mary & Gerard Swan-Ann. Mass

Fri. 4th Nov. at 9.30am-First Friday for the names on the List of the Dead

at 7.30pm in Bohermeen

Mass for Fr. Mackin and the deceased members of Meath Lourdes Hospitalité. All welcome. Light refreshments served afterwards in the parish centre.

Sat. 5th Nov.

Boyerstown at 6.00pm

-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 7.15pm

-Lily & Terry Bennett-Ann. Mass

-Mary (Maisie) Reilly 20th Anniversary and deceased members of the Reilly & Gill families

Sun. 6th Nov.

Cortown at 10.00am

-May McNamee-1st Anniversary

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-for the people of the parish

Ministers of the Word:

Sat. 29th Oct: Sandra Coffey

Sun. 30th Oct: DTiM Parent

Eucharistic Ministers:

Oct 29th : Tracy Mulvany-Cahill

Oct 30th : Joe Murtagh & Kathleen Keating

Nov. 5th : Bridget Mackin

Nov. 6th: Joe Murtagh & Kathleen Keating

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. It is greatly appreciated. Offerings can be made by;

- leaving your weekly envelopes into the envelope boxes in the Churches or 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 €1235.50

Priests Offerings €400.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen – €396.00

Cortown –€88.00 Boyerstown – €121.00

Thank you to all who contribute, collect and count.

PLEASE NOTE: Our Deanery: the priests of the eight parishes of Navan Deanery met with the bishop on Thursday, as have all other Deaneries in recent weeks, to begin a planning and consultation process for parish life across the diocese in the immediate future. The topics discussed included: a 'Faith Formation Coordinator' for the diocese; practical responses to fewer priests in the Deanery; reduction in the number of Masses per parish to enable priests to provide cover for each other for holidays, illness or bereavement; parish energy and fuel costs; the possibility of the Permanent Diaconate in the diocese. All these matters should now be referred to and discussed by each Parish Pastoral Council.

Prayer

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God.

‘God knows each one of us by name and loves each one with a personal love’

