

Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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Third Sunday of Easter

30th April 2023

(Day of Prayer for Vocations)

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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'.

Points to Ponder-Sr. Linda Soler OSB. The Intercom

Sheep are mentioned more than two hundred times in the Bible, more than any other animal. Sheep were important as sources of wool, milk, and meat, and throughout the Bible, sheep served as symbols for God's people. Jesus is portrayed as the shepherd of his chosen flock in the prophetic words of Isaiah and Ezekiel, and most famously in the 23rd Psalm, all in which belongs to the Good Shepherd.

Sheep are followers. Following isn't something sheep have to think about— it's an instinct. Sheep remember faces. They recognise faces of other sheep and even of humans who work with them regularly. They are almost human, because sheep remember who treats them well —and even more, they remember who handles them harshly.

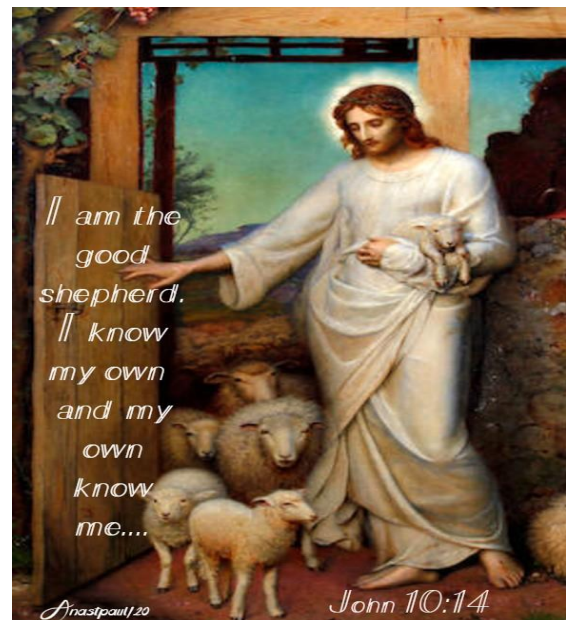
Jesus is the true shepherd. He is the Good Shepherd who was willing to die for those who put their faith in Him. Any other person who claims to be the true shepherd is a robber or thief, for they are a false shepherd. Imagine a world where people do not expect to be served but are all eager to serve and care for one another! Jesus is the Good Shepherd who cares, watches, and protects those who believe in Him. This is a wonderful message for anyone who seeks peace with God.

To be in the Lord's flock is to be in a life-changing, transformative relationship with the Lord. To know the Lord is to see our life changed by that very relationship. It is to know the voice of Jesus and be able to distinguish it from others, so that in all things God may be glorified.

Thought for today – Pope Francis, Totum Amorus Est.,

'All the faithful, whatever their condition or state, are called by the Lord — each in his or her own way —to that perfect holiness by which the Father himself is perfect. We should not grow discouraged before examples of holiness that appear unattainable'.

Mother Church proposes them to us not to copy them, but so that we can be spurred on in our pursuit of the specific path that the Lord has chosen for each of us. 'The most important thing is that each believer discern his or her own path, that they bring out the very best of themselves, the most personal gifts that God has placed in their hearts.'



Meath Pilgrimage to Lourdes Sept 2023. For Booking please contact Joe Walsh Travel 01 241 0800 or info@joewalshstours.ie. There will NOT be a hospital pilgrim or assisted pilgrim section with medical care and care staff as was the case in previous years. All pilgrims will be accommodated in hotels. All pilgrims should be able to make the pilgrimage independently or with the assistance of someone accompanying them and taking responsibility for them. Local Contact: Jennifer Reilly 086 877 0729

Today is VOCATION SUNDAY. There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend.

Mass Intentions Sat. 29th April. to Sun 7th May 2023

Bohermeen Church-Daily mass at 9.30am
(Funeral replaces Mass)

Sat. 29th April

Cortown at 6.00pm
-MM-Renée Henry

Bohermeen at 7.15pm
-Terry McMullan-4th Anniversary

Sun. 30th April

Boyerstown at 10.00am
-Thomas & Elizabeth Mulligan-Ann. Mass

Bohermeen at 11.30am
-May & Ronnie Lawlor-Ann. Mass
-Patrick, Bridget & Noel Fitzsimons & Caroline Harten-Ann. Mass

Mon. 1st May

-Bohermeen at 10.00am

Tues. 2nd May

-Cortown at 8.00pm-Divine Mercy Mass

Sat. 6th May

Bohermeen at 11.00am
-First Communion Mass-St. Ultan's NS

Boyerstown at 6.00pm
-Kevin Conaty-2nd Ann.
-John & Mary Dolan & dec'd family members
-Patrick & Mary Conway & dec'd family members
-Mary O'Brien-50th Ann.

Bohermeen at 7.15pm
-Kathleen, John, Colm & Jim Kavanagh-Ann. Mass
-Tommy Powderly-15th Ann.

Sun. 7th May

Cortown at 10.00am
-First Communion Mass-St. Brigid's NS

Bohermeen at 11.30am
-MM-Jimmy Martin
-William Farnan-7th Anniversary
-Nancy & Michael McHugh-Ann. Mass

Ministers of the Word:

Sat. 29th Apr & 6th May: Áine Keating
Sun. 30th Apr & 7th May: Geraldine McHugh

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sat. 29th Apr: Jennifer Reilly
Sun. 30th Apr: Julie Yore & Kathleen Keating
Sat. 6th May: Tracy Mulvany-Cahill
Sun. 7th May: Sheila Kenny & Joe Murtagh

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 €680.00 Priests Offerings €80.00
Offertory Collections: Bohermeen -€439.00
Cortown -€198.00 Boyerstown - €158.00

Thank you to all who contribute, collect and count.

TROCAIRE Boxes can be left in the baskets provided in the Churches or dropped off at the Parish Office. Converting the coins to notes be would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Royal County 5km & 10km Kells - The Royal County 5km & 10km Run/Walk returns on **Bank Holiday Monday 1st May in Kells!** 10km event: €25; 5km event: €20. Technical t-shirt & chip timing included in price. *Virtual options also available.* Participants must be over 16yrs to enter the 10km and over 12yrs to enter the 5km distance. ***NO REGISTRATIONS ON THE DAY*** See www.meathsports.ie to register.

Bohermeen Young Priest's Society wish to thank all who supported them during the year by their prayers and donations which amounted to €870.00. This amount has been sent to head office in Dublin. Today is Vocations Sunday. It is a day of prayer for Vocations. The Society hold their Mass and Meeting on the last Monday of each month. New members welcome.

