

# Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**25<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

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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** *catholic-daily-reflections.com*

Hope in the midst of a very difficult and painful experience in life is hard to come by. When faced with grief, it is very tempting to give in to despair. Despair is a complete loss of hope. Despair keeps us from God and strips us of faith. But despair is always avoidable if we follow Jesus' command of love. 'Do not be afraid; just have faith.'

What is it that tempts you to fear in life? What is it that tempts you to lose your hope? Perhaps you struggle with the death of a loved one, and you find it very difficult. Perhaps your grief comes from small sources and is only minor right now. The truth is that all of us will experience small temptations to lose hope every day. And most will also experience grave temptations at one time or another.

For these reasons, we must all constantly listen to Jesus' words and work to dispel every fear in life as we invite God to bestow upon us the gift of hope that comes from unwavering faith in His plan for our lives.

Reflect, today, upon any struggles you have with despair, fear or anxiety in life. As you do, know that all things are possible when you turn to God with faith. Faith does not necessarily remove the hardships of life; it does something even better. It transforms hardships so that you can endure them with grace, joy and supernatural hope. When this happens, everything in life has the potential to be used by God for our good. All we need to do is continually reject fear and 'just have faith.'

**The Irish Catholic Newspaper is now €3.00.** Thank you.

**ACCORD MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMME**

dates for September to December 2023 are now available for booking on the website. Couples can book here: [ACCORD Course Listing \(Meath\)](#)

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> & Sat 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023, Fri 7.30-10pm, Sat 9am-4.30pm

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> & Sat 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023, Fri 7.30-10pm, Sat 9am-4.30pm

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> & Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023, Fri 7.30-10pm, Sat 9am-4.30pm

All these courses are IN-PERSON, at our Centre in Navan. Full details are on the website. [www.courses.accord.ie/booking/listing/meath](http://www.courses.accord.ie/booking/listing/meath)

**SPEECH & DRAMA SUMMER CAMP**

Mon 31<sup>st</sup> July - Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Aug Primary School Students. For more information call Andrea Molloy on 087 115 3286 or 087 402 0787.

**RALLY FOR LIFE ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> OF JULY**

Join thousands of fellow Catholics & pro-life supporters at the biggest annual pro-life event, now in its 17<sup>th</sup> year. Starts at 1pm at Parnell Square, Dublin 1. Activities for both children and adults, a family friendly event!

For more info or to book a place on the bus going up to the rally visit [www.thelifeinstitute.net](http://www.thelifeinstitute.net), or call 01 873 0465.

There is also a special Mass for the Rally for Life that will take place at St. Saviours, Dominick Street Lower at 12 noon just before the Rally begins. It will be celebrated by Bishop Kevin Doran & Bishop Alan McGuckian.



**Mass Intentions** Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> June to Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> July

**Bohermeen Church**-Daily Mass at 9.30am

*(Funeral replaces Mass)*

**Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> June**

Cortown at 6.00pm

-Michael 'Toss' Quigley-2<sup>nd</sup> Ann

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

Boyerstown at 10.00am

-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-Ryan McGovern-4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

-Peter Clarke & dec'd family members

**Mon. 26<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30am**

-St. Joseph's Young Priests

**Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> July**

Boyerstown at 10.00am

-Philomena Conway-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

**Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Cortown at 10.00am

-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-Michael & Josephine Gill-Ann mass

-Seamus Farrelly-6<sup>th</sup> anniversary

**Ministers of the Word:**

Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Jun & 2<sup>nd</sup> Jul: Pat Farrell

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> June: Brigid Mackin & Joe Murtagh

Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Cathal O'Reilly & Margaret Farrell

**PRAY** for Vincent Fitzgerald, Boyerstown and David McAteer, Castletown (nephew of Angela Daly, Allenstown) who died recently. May they rest in peace.

**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.
- Tap to donate machine located in the Church
- go online and do a weekly/monthly direct debit to

**Bank of Ireland, Navan,**

**IBAN IE04 BOFI 903509 8059 7424 BIC BOFIE2D**

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**Building Fund €736.00 Priests Offerings €585.00**

**Offertory Collections: Bohermeen –€328.00**

**Cortown –€153.00 Boyerstown – €131.00**

**Tap to Donate €20.00**

*Thank you to all who contribute, collect and count.*

**BOHERMEEN CYCLING CLUB** will host the Meath Road Race Cycling Championships on Tuesday evening 4th July. Racing for Underage (U12,U14 & U16) starts at 18:45 and for the adults @ 19:45. The circuit is 7.5km. All races start outside Bohermeen National School and follow via the Well Road, Grange, Greetiagh, Bog Cross and back to the finish at the school.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY** by John Quinn-Stolen Moments

My garden is a haven of peace, a restful sanctuary for the mind. In a corner, my few drills of potatoes are thriving. Beside me, parsley and chives flourish in a terracotta tub.

My apple tree promises a rich harvest. The lawn is trim and tidy thanks to my neighbour Kevin, who mows it for me regularly. In the centre of the lawn, a young copper beech tree is growing apace, taller now than myself. There are weeds about too.

Welcome weeds! Save for the rustling branches above me and occasional twitterings in the hedgerow, there is absolute stillness. Sunshine. Warmth. A caressing breeze. A sip of tea. Contentment. So many blessings. So many blessings.

