

# Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
3<sup>rd</sup> September 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 by Martin Hogan, *You have one Teacher: Reflections on the Gospel Readings for the Year of Matthew. The Intercom*

If Peter, the rock on which the Church was built, struggled to do what God wants, to think and speak in God's way, the rest of us will certainly do likewise. Being a faithful follower of Jesus won't always come easy to us.

As Jesus goes on to say in the Gospel reading, it will often involve renouncing ourselves, just as Peter had to renounce his desire that Jesus take a less demanding path. In that second reading Paul is clear that doing what God wants will often put us at odds with what he calls there 'the behaviour of the world around you'.

Putting on the mind of Christ, what Paul calls in that reading, 'your new mind' and thinking and speaking and acting out of that mind-set of Christ will often leave us at odds with the world we inhabit, and that will often involve an element of self- renunciation. The Christian vocation can be costly.

Yet, living as disciples of Jesus in today's world isn't just a question of constantly climbing up a steep cliff face under our own strength. In the first reading, Jeremiah is struggling to keep faithful to his costly vocation, recalling how he used to say of the Lord, 'I will not think about him I will not speak in his name anymore'.

Then, he says, he became aware of a fire burning in his heart driving him on. That same fire burns in all our hearts. It is the fire of the Holy Spirit empowering us to do what wants, to follow in the way of Jesus, even when it is costly.

## A COURSE IN HOW TO USE SMARTPHONES AND TABLETS

A 6-week course in How to Use Smartphones and Tablets will take place in Claremont Stadium, Commons Road, Navan starting 5<sup>th</sup> September from 7pm-9pm. To register contact [events@claremontstadium.ie](mailto:events@claremontstadium.ie) with your name and a contact number or call (046) 902 9693. Registration is essential to guarantee a place.

**HEART SMART** a fitness and movement class for the over 50s starts September 11<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am in Claremont Stadium, Navan. Registration is €60. To book call Claremont Stadium reception on 046 902 9693.

**SPEECH & DRAMA CLASSES** resume in Bohermeen Parish Centre on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept at 3:15 pm for 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class students. Phone or Text Andrea on 087 402 0787 for booking and further details.

**IRISH DANCING** returns to Boyerstown Community Centre from Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm. Contact Jennifer on 086 847 2828 to book.

**ANAM CARA MIDLANDS**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 7:15pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. For more info call 01 404 5378.



**THE SEASON OF CREATION 2023** which runs from September 1st (the World Day of Prayer for Creation) to October 4th (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi). This Season is a wonderful opportunity to respond to the call of Pope Francis to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. Niamh Morris from Trocaire will speak at all three Masses next weekend 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> September.



**Mass Intentions** Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept.

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

**Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept.**

Cortown at 6.00pm

-Matthew Mullen 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept.**

Boyerstown at 10.00am

-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-Sinead Ball-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

**Mon to Fri. Communion Service at 9.30am**

**Tues. 5<sup>th</sup> Sept.** in Cortown at 8.00pm

-Divine Mercy Mass

**Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

Boyerstown at 6.00pm

-Tommy Rogers-10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

Cortown at 10.00am

-Patrick & MaryEllen Barrett-Ann. Mass

-Thomas, Una & Eamon Loughran-Ann. Mass

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-Sean Dolan-4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

-Deceased members of the Farnan Family

-Ann Thornton-13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Ministers of the Word:**

**Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept:** The Ball Family

**Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept:** Lauren Finnegan

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept:** Joe Murtagh & Sheila Kenny

**Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Sept:** Brigid Mackin & Cathal O'Reilly

**PRAY** for Mary Rogers, Kiltale (wife of Michael Rogers formerly of Boyerstown), who died recently. May she 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

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Building Fund €590.00 Priests Offerings €85.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen -€212.00

Cortown -€187.00 Boyerstown - €130.00

Tap to Donate €20.00

Thank you to all who contribute, collect and count.

**ARE YOU, OR IS SOMEONE YOU KNOW, LIVING WITH A LONG TERM HEALTH CONDITION?**

If so, then you may be interested in the 'Living Well Programme'. Living Well is a Free ONLINE, 6 week group self-management programme for adults living with long term health conditions, such as asthma, COPD, diabetes, heart conditions, stroke and others to name but a few. There are spaces available on our OCTOBER 2023 Programmes. To book your place please contact Áine (041) 685 0676 / (087) 114 0371 or Elaine (041) 686 0710 / (087) 430 8735 or [www.hse.ie/livingwell](http://www.hse.ie/livingwell)

**BOHERMEEN ACTIVE RETIREMENT** will resume on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am in Bohermeen Community Centre. New members welcome.

**CEILI CATHOLIC COMMUNITY** will be starting a new residential school of evangelisation from 1st October. It is targeting young adults between the ages of 18 and 35 who wish to discern their vocation, take a gap year or a career break. For further information email [school@ceilicommunity.net](mailto:school@ceilicommunity.net) or visit [www.ceilicommunity.net](http://www.ceilicommunity.net)

**MEATH SAMUEL GROUP:** (young adults, age 18-39) - do you want to strengthen and develop your daily prayer life? Join Meath Samuel Group. Meet one Sunday a month, from October to May, at St. Mary's in Navan for a talk, Holy Hour, and Mass, and commit to daily prayer. It's free! Find out more at [www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony](http://www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony)

**RADIO MARIA:** as part of their mission to share The Good News and promote home-based faith communities in our parishes, Parish Cells of Evangelisation will present a six week programme exploring parish cells on Radio Maria, commencing Monday 11th September 2023 at 7.00pm.

