

Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
3rd December 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'.

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel. John Byrne OSA. *The Intercom*

1. It is easy to interpret this passage as a warning about impending death or disaster. Recent wars and tragedies are examples. Yet the coming of the Lord is not just the moment of death, but any moment of grace. Recall unexpected graces —good things that happened when they were not anticipated.

2. Perhaps some of these were moments when you were particularly alert and aware of what was going on in you and around you and this enabled you to be open to the moment of grace. Recall the contrast with moments when that alertness and awareness were not present.

3. The servants were given charge of the household 'each with their own job'. See yourself as a person given a responsibility within the household of God's people. What is it like for you to see yourself trusted in this way by God?' What has it been like for you when you have been shown trust in this way by another person?

4. Jesus says that what he is saying to his disciples he is saying to all. Have there been times when you have been a messenger of hope to others, encouraging them to wait for a moment of grace. Who have been the ones to encourage you?



THE CHOSEN is a film series about Jesus Christ, adapted from the four Gospels. The last of 8 episodes will be shown in **the Parish Centre on Tuesday 5th December** at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION in Bohermeen church will extend to Saturday and Sunday from 3pm-6pm. Adorers are required from 4-5 on both days, if you can cover a hour/or any other hour please contact Bridget 087 970 0091. All welcome.

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION will take place at all Masses on 2nd and 3rd December 2023. Your donations are greatly appreciated. If you need assistance or are aware of someone who needs assistance, financial or otherwise, please be assured that we are here to help. Please contact us on Freephone 1800 677 777 or through our website info.northeast@svp.ie Strict confidentiality is guaranteed at all times.

AN TOBAR RETREAT & SPIRITUALITY CENTRE Advent Reflection Day Led by Sean Goan Date: Saturday, 16th December. Time 10.00am - 4.00pm Cost: €30.00. Booking Essential. (Please bring a packed lunch| Tea/Coffee provided). Email: jackie@antobar.ie | Tel: 046 907 8973

A FUNDRAISING CHRISTMAS MARKET IN AID OF KELLS MEALS ON WHEELS will take place in St. Ciaran's Community School on Sunday 3rd December from 11am to 5pm. Santa will be there from 2-4pm. Lots of Christmas present ideas with Jewellery, Paintings, Candles, Soaps, Wreaths, Decorations, Wood Crafts, Beauty Products, Baked Goods, and many more items available. Tea/coffee refreshments will be available also.

CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS are now available from the Parish office. €10.00 each.

THANK YOU A sincere thank you to all who attended and contributed to the Forty Hours Adoration in the Cathedral for the Feast of Christ the King. Particular thanks to the Organising Committee, the Eucharistic Adoration Apostolate, the Knights of Columbanus, the priests who travelled to hear Confessions and the Cathedral clergy. The work of those who stewarded, provided refreshments and the Diocesan and Cathedral Choir were also very much appreciated. Let us pray that the weekend will be a source of prayer and blessings in the Diocese.

Mass Intentions Sat. 2nd to Sun. 10th Dec.
Bohermeen Church-Daily Mass at 9.30am
(Funeral replaces Mass)

Sat. 2nd Dec.

Boyerstown at 6.00pm
-for the people of the parish

Sun. 3rd Dec.

Cortown at 10.00am
-Brendan Henry-31st Anniversary

Bohermeen at 12.30am
-Nancy Brady & dec'd family members
-Richard Lynn-2nd Anniversary

Tues. 5th Dec.

Cortown at 8.00pm-Divine Mercy Mass

Thurs. 7th Dec.

Bohermeen at 7.00pm-Vigil Mass for the
Feast of the Immaculate Conception

**Fri. 8th Dec. The Feast of the Immaculate
Conception**

Boyerstown at 9.30am
Cortown at 10.30am
Bohermeen at 11.30am

Sat. 9th Dec.

Cortown at 6.00pm
-MM-Cilla Battersby
-Pat Rispin (4th Ann), Rose Rispin & Annie
Ryan-Ann. Mass

Sun. 10th Dec.

Boyerstown at 10.00am
-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am
-Loretto Barker-2nd Anniversary

Ministers of the Word:

Sun. 3rd Dec: DTiM Parent
Sun. 10th Dec: Sandra Coffey

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sun. 3rd Dec: Jennifer Reilly & Margaret Farrell
Sun. 10th Dec: Julie Yore & 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.
- Tap to donate machine located in the Church
- go online and do a weekly/monthly direct debit to

Bank of Ireland, Navan,

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Building Fund €437.00 Priests Offerings €17.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen -€220.00

Cortown -€430.00 Boyerstown - €140.00

Tap to Donate €50.00

Thank you to all who contribute, collect and count.

ST ULTANS HISTORICAL SOCIETY will once again publish their annual historically themed calendar and this year's calendar is the 12th edition, they will be available in the coming weeks and are priced at €8.00.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT with Liam Lawton, Deirdre Shannon and Special Guests in aid of ALL4TOMMIE Fundraiser will take place in St. Colmcille's Church, Kells on Thursday 7th December at 8.00pm. Tickets are €25.00 and are available from the Parish Office or on Eventbrite.

FR TONY GONOUE, VOCATIONS DIRECTOR FOR THE DIOCESE OF MEATH, will celebrate two Masses for Vocations to the Priesthood this coming week.

Wednesday 6th December at 10 am in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Kingscourt, Co Cavan where he will reflect on the example of St Nicholas who is his vocation, became a living imitation of Christ.

Friday 8th December at 8pm in the Church of Ss Peter & Paul, Dunboyne, Co Meath where he will reflect on Mary, the Immaculate vocation who inspires us to follow her Son.

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