

Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT(Gaudete)

17th December 2023

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Mon-Fri 9.30am-1.00pm

'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. There is one among you whom you do not know'. We can know *about* Jesus but do we *know* him? What helps you to know Jesus in a way that enables you to follow in his footsteps, trusting God as he did, and seeing other people as he did?

2. John the Baptist came to bear witness to Jesus. Who have been the people who have borne witness to you of the good news of the gospel that God loves you – a friend, a parent, a teacher, etc.? To whom have you borne witness?

3. John appears in the story as one who had the courage to be himself in the face of loud and aggressive people. He was also a person who knew his own value, did not make exaggerated claims and was content with his mission. Can you recall times when you have been able to be yourself, even in the face of criticism from others?

4. John was 'the voice of one crying out in the wilderness'- announcing confidently to those in the wilderness that they must not despair because God's grace may come to them at any moment. Have you had the experience of being in the wilderness, feeling lost? From whom did you hear a

voice that gave you hope? Have you been able to give hope to other people when they were in the wilderness? Do these questions have any special relevance to you in the midst of the current situation in our world?

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**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** in Bohermeen church takes place every day from 3pm-6pm. If you would like to cover an hour, please contact Bridget on 087 970 0091. All welcome.

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

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**BOHERMEEN CYCLING CLUB** will hold a Christmas Coffee Morning **TODAY** Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December from 10am -1pm for the Local St. Vincent de Paul in the Community Centre. To get yourself into the festive mood, there is sure to be some Christmas treats, music and cheer. There will also be a raffle. All welcome, please support.

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CHOIR Would you like to be part of the choir in Bohermeen church? It would be lovely to have a choir singing at the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day masses. Meeting on this Sunday 17th December at 12.15 in the parish centre. All singers and musicians welcome.

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**ADVENT CONFESSIONS** Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December from 9.00am to 9.00pm in St. Mary's Church, Navan.

Confessions on Saturdays  
in St. Mary's- 6.45pm to 9.00pm  
in St. Oliver's -7.45pm to 9.00pm

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BOYERSTOWN CHOIR will sing Christmas carols before 6.30pm Mass on Christmas Eve.



Mass Intentions Sat. 16th to Fri. 30th Dec.
Bohermeen Church-Daily Mass at 9.30am
(Funeral replaces Mass)

Sat. 16th Dec.

Boyerstown at 6.00pm
-dec'd members of Bohermeen Cycling Club
-members of Boyerstown Choir-past & present

Sun. 17th Dec.

Cortown at 10.00am
-Patrick & Barbara Tully-Ann. Mass
-Paddy & Teresa M'Garr & their granddaughter Dakota

Bohermeen at 11.30am
-Paddy Flanagan-3rd Anniversary
-John, Kathleen, Colm & Jim Kavanagh-Ann. Mass

Bohermeen at 7.30pm
-Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tues. 19th Dec.

-Paddy, Anne, Kevin & Joyce Lowry

Sat. 23rd Dec.

Cortown at 6.00pm
-Rose Glennon-3rd Anniversary

Sun. 24th Dec.

Boyerstown at 10.00am
-James 'Jimmy' O'Brien-11th Anniversary

Bohermeen at 11.30am
-for the people of the parish

Christmas Eve Masses

Cortown at 5.00pm
Boyerstown at 6.30pm
Bohermeen at 6.30pm
-Seamus & Josie Kavanagh

Monday 25th Dec. Christmas Day Masses

Boyerstown at 10.00am
-Patrick & Elizabeth Smyth & dec'd family members
Cortown at 10.00am
-for the people of the parish
Bohermeen at 11.30am
-for the people of the parish

Tues. 26th Dec-St. Stephen's Day

Bohermeen at 11.00am

Wed to Fri. Bohermeen at 10.00am

Ministers of the Word:

Sun. 17th Dec: Lauren Finnegan
Sun. 24th at 11.30am: Kevin McCormack
at 6.30pm: Terry Connelly
Mon. 25th Dec: Helen Mallon

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sun. 17th Dec: Joe Murtagh & Brigid Mackin
Sun. 24th Dec:
11.30am: Kathleen Keating & Cathal O'Reilly
6.30pm: Joe Murtagh & Tracy Mulvany-Cahill

Mon. 25th Dec: Julie Yore & Carmel McQuaid

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 €534.00 Priests Offerings €0.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen -€325.00

Cortown -€241.00 Boyerstown - €127.00

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, 6 week self-management group 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 JANUARY 2024 Programmes. To book your place please contact: Aine 041 685 0676 / 087 114 0371 Elaine 041 686 0710 / 087 430 8735

