

# Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF  
JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH  
31<sup>st</sup> 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'.**

Nowadays there's the ever-greater tendency to eat on the hoof, to not sit down together but to grab a plate of food and go into another room and continue doing what one was doing earlier.

The unconscious message is that the computer or TV is more important than other family members. Vast numbers of families no longer ever eat together and is it any wonder then why there is such breakdown of family life. The word companion means to break bread and where there is no breaking of bread there can be no companionship.

On this feast of the Holy Family, could I invite you to take some time to reflect on your family dynamic especially around mealtimes.

It's the one time when members can be together but are they really together?

It's the time for things to be spoken and issues addressed, but are they?

It's the time to be. Why do we make the time for doing and going so much more important?

It's the time when children learn the art of conversation. Do they have the chance?

It's the time for listening. Is the goggle box in the corner really more important?

Living a long life, being healthy and happy and having good relationships are all things we would want for our lives.

It's very likely that the starting point for all of them is around the kitchen table while remembering that the TV and the mobile phones do have an off button.

*By Fr. Jim Cogley.*

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**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** will take a break for Christmas and return on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 3.00pm in Bohermeen church. If you would like to cover an hour, please contact Bridget on 087 970 0091. All welcome.

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**BOHERMEEN COMMUNITY CENTRE** would like to thank all the parishioners who signed up to their new draw, which will take place on January 16<sup>th</sup> 2024. Wishing you all a very Happy New Year.

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**MINISTERS OF THE WORD** –There are a small number of St. Paul Sunday Missals 2024 available from the parish office.

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**THE COMMITTEE OF ST ULTANS GFC** would like to say a massive thank you to everyone for their continued support of our weekly Blotto Draw throughout 2023 and for the goodwill of the people of the parish towards our Development Project in Thomas Coogan Park Martry which will serve all the people of the parish for generations to come . We are deeply indebted to all of you for your generosity. A Happy New Year to all.



**Mass Intentions** Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Dec to Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Jan.  
**Bohermeen Church**-Daily Mass at 9.30am  
(Funeral replaces Mass)

**Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

Boyerstown at 6.00pm  
-John Rogers-16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec.**

Cortown at 10.00am  
-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am  
-Noel Dolan-2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary  
-Tony & Mary Ann English-Ann. Mass

**Mon. 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2024**

Bohermeen at 10.00am  
-St. Joseph's Young Priests

Tues-Thurs-NO MASS in Bohermeen

**Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan**

Cortown at 8.00pm  
-Divine Mercy Mass

**Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> Jan**-First Friday

Bohermeen at 9.30am

**Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> Jan.- THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

Bohermeen at 11.00am  
-Theresa Reilly-3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

Cortown at 6.00pm  
-Mm-Kathleen Quigley  
-Helen Mulroe-50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
-James & Margaret Mulroe

**Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> Jan.**

Boyerstown at 10.00am  
-William, Margaret & William Smith-Ann.  
Mass

Bohermeen at 11.30am  
-Frances Melvin (Leeds) aunt of the Durcan's  
of Martry

**Ministers of the Word:**

Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> at 11.30am: Ray/Michelle Finnegan  
Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> Jan: Pat Farrell

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec: Brigid Mackin & Joe Murtagh  
Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> Jan: Jennifer Reilly & Margaret Farrell

**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 (please include your box no.)

Building Fund €1927.00

Priests Offerings €4629.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen –€2520.00

Cortown –€961.00 Boyerstown – €790.00

Tap to Donate €50.00

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: Áine 041 685 0676 / 087 114 0371

Elaine 041 686 0710 / 087 430 8735

*Wishing all our parishioners a very  
Happy and Blessed New Year.*



