# Parish of St. Ultan

## BOHERMEEN -CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN Fr. Andy Doyle. P.P.

# FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4<sup>th</sup> February 2024

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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 by John Byrne OSA

This passage tells three stories to illustrate the various dimensions of the life and ministry of Jesus. There is food for thought in each of them.

1. The first story (vv. 29-31) is one of healing. You might reflect on times when you were sick in body, mind or spirit and someone was a 'Jesus person' to you, someone who 'took you by the hand and lifted you up'. Remember them with gratitude. Have there been times also when you did this for others?

2. The second story (vv.32-34) adds another dimension. People are freed from demons. Have you had the experience of being freed from demons that imprisoned you: fear, anxiety, guilt, low self-esteem, addictions, bitterness, etc.? What was it like for you to get that freedom? Who were the 'Jesus people' who helped to free you?'

**3.** The third story (vv.35-39) has a number of different elements we can consider.

- a) Jesus goes off to a desert place to pray. After a hectic day he felt the need for quiet to ground himself once more. In the busyness of life how do you keep in touch with what is going on inside yourself? How do you keep in touch with God? Where do you find your 'deserted place'? What difference does it make for you when you do succeed in taking time out?
- b) Jesus shows himself as a person seeking to break new ground. The disciples want him to continue ministry where he is. He wants to move on. What has been your experience of breaking new ground, moving beyond your comfort zone, or trying something you had not tried before? When has this had a life-giving ePect for you?

THE CHOSEN-SEASON 2 will continue on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome.

SET DANCING CLASSES take place in Boyerstown Hall every Thursday night at 8.30pm. All welcome.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** takes place every day from 3.00 to 6.00pm in Bohermeen church. If you would like to cover an hour, please contact Bridget on 087 970 0091. All welcome.

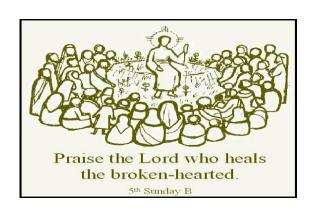
**DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE** A bus is organised for the Divine Mercy conference to RDS, Dublin on the 24th February. This is an uplifting day, includes reconciliation and healing services.

The bus will leave the grounds of Bohermeen church at 8.00am & be back around 10.00pm. Total cost  $\in 60 (\in 25 \text{ bus and } \in 35 \text{ for the divine mercy day})$ . To book place on the bus, please phone Bridget on 087-970 0091. Below is a website to the day <u>www.divinemercyconference.com</u>. All welcome.

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE will be held on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 2pm in St. Paul's Church, Delvin Road, Mullingar, in memory of people buried in St. Loman's Hospital Cemetery from 1907 to 1970 and to remember deceased patients and staff. Mass will also be livestreamed on <u>www.mullingarparish.ie</u>

MEATH DIOCEAN COUNCIL of the PIONEER ASSOCIATION will hold a meeting in The Darnely Hotel, Athboy on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 3.00pm.

LEINSTER PTAA YOUTH & ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE present 25<sup>th</sup> National Pioneer Ball on Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> April in Annebrook House Hotel, Mullingar. Mass at 6.00pm in Cathedral of Christ the King, followed by dinner and dancing. Tickets are €40.00 each and are available from Daisy 087 654 4626 or Dermot 085 720 1646 leinsteryouthcommittee@gmail.com



<u>Mass Intentions</u> Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. to Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. <mark>Bohermeen Church</mark>-Daily Mass at 9.30am (*Funeral replaces Mass)* 

### Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb.

Cortown at 6.00pm -Ollie & Lily Reilly-Ann. Mass

#### Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Boyerstown at 10.00am -for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am -MM-Betty Williams -Helena Dallas-2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary -James & Maeve Ward-Ann. Mass

## Tues. 6<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Cortown at 8.00pm -Divine Mercy Mass

## Fri. 9<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Bohermeen at 7.00pm -Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes & World Sick Day with blessing for the sick

#### Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Boyerstown at 6.00pm -Patrick Duffy-Ann. Mass

#### Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Cortown at 10.00am -for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am -John Monaghan-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary -Paddy & Cissy Herward -Malachy, John & Bridgie O'Halloran

#### Ministers of the Word:

Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> Feb: DTiM Parents Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Feb: Dympna Herward Eucharistic Ministers:

Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> Feb: Jennifer Reilly & Margaret Farrell Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Feb: Julie Yore & Joe Murtagh

MASS FOR TEMPERANCE SUNDAY & WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK will be broadcast next Sunday 11 February 2024 at 11am on RTÉ TV & Radio.

AN INTRODUCTION TO READING SCRIPTURE AS THE WORD OF GOD 17<sup>th</sup> February: Exploring the images of God in the Old Testament. Led by Sean Goan. Contact: An Tobar for further details 083 391 7297 <u>Finances - Thank You</u>-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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**THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL** Please contact us on Freephone 1800 677 777 or through our website <u>info.northeast@svp.ie</u>. Strict confidentiality is guaranteed at all times.

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**ACCORD NAVAN** has finalised dates for our Marriage Preparation <u>Courses up to June 2024</u>. All courses are in-person at our Centre here in Navan. Couples can select dates and book here: <u>https://www.courses.accord.ie/booking/listing/me</u> <u>ath</u>. Thank you for patience as we familiarise ourselves with planning and delivering the revised and update Accord Marriage Preparation Programme.

\*\*PLEASE NOTE OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS navan@accord.ie\*\*



