

Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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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 by John Byrne OSA

1. Jesus he is about to start his public ministry. Mark tells us this was preceded by a deep inner struggle when his resolve to take on his God-given mission was tested. Recall important decisions in your own life. Were they accompanied by struggle and doubt? Who were the angels who supported you at that time? Give thanks for them.

2. Such periods of anxiety may seem like wilderness experiences at the time. Later, with hindsight, we may see them as being good for us. Perhaps, like Jesus, you recall a time when the Spirit of God led you into the wilderness to be tested and after the experience you had a clearer sense of your own identity or your purpose in life.

3. Repent and believe the good news was the heart of the message of Jesus. It was not a call to penance but to a change of heart, a change of attitude, leading to a change in behaviour. The kingdom of God is a kingdom of right relationships: with God, with one another, with creation, with ourselves. It is a change that leads to a fuller life.

When have you found that a change in your attitude towards God, others, yourself, or the world around you, has led you to a more fulfilled or more fruitful life?



THE CHOSEN-SEASON 2 will continue on Tuesday 20th February at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Everyone 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 €60(€25 bus and €35 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 www.divinemercyconference.com. All welcome.

BOHERMEEN ATHLETIC CLUB will promote its annual half marathon on Sunday March 10th at 11.00am incorporating the 50th Rennicks Cup & 47th Fr. Delany cup

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

NATIONAL FILM PROJECT will hold a table quiz in the Silver Tankard on Friday 23rd of February at 8.00pm. Table of 4 is €40.00. All welcome.

BOYERSTOWN SCHOOL will be holding a Car Boot Sale on Sunday, 3rd March from 2pm to 5pm (please be set up by 1.30pm). This event is to raise funds for a sensory garden for all the children in the school to enjoy. Entry fee for cars is €25 and then any proceeds from sales are kept by the stall holder. The only cost is the entry fee which will go directly to the school for the fundraiser. Cars must be booked via the organiser Geraldine Smith (geraldinesmith@boyerstowwns.ie) as there will be limited spaces available. All bookings and payments for entry must be made by Friday, 23rd February.

CONFIRMATION 2024 – PARENTAL SURVEY

Q. Are you prepared to help your child prepare for Confirmation by talking to them about what your faith and relationship with Jesus mean to you in your daily life?

Time to recap on our faith and reflect on how important our faith is in times of trouble.

Q. How can we as a Parish community better support you on this journey?

I find the weekly “The Chosen” to be a delightful experience where both young and old come together to watch the video and discuss afterwards.

Mass Intentions Sat. 17th. to Sun 25th Feb.
Bohermeen Church-Daily Mass at 9.30am
(Funeral replaces Mass)

Sat. 17th Feb.

Cortown at 6.00pm
-for the people of the parish

Sun. 18th Feb.

Boyerstown at 10.00am
-Edward & Mae Lynskey & dec'd family members
-Phil Carolan-Ann. Mass

Bohermeen at 11.30am
-MM- Dermot English
-Pete Fitzsimons-2nd Anniversary
-Matthew & Breda Reilly and Miriam McGrath
-Sheamie, Maureen & Gerry McCormack

Mon to Fri. Bohermeen
9.30am -Communion Service

Sat. 24th Feb.

Boyerstown at 6.00pm
-Andrew Bennett-1st Ann
-Tom Bennett-2nd Ann
-Tommy & Ann Murray (Faughan Hill)

Sun. 25th Feb.

Cortown at 10.00am
-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am
-MM-Brian Brady
-Teddy Mallon-1st Anniversary
-Brendan Ryan
-Lily, Jimmy, James & Shane Keenan

Ministers of the Word:

Sun. 18th Feb: Maureen Kerrigan

Sun. 25th Feb: Kerri Finnegan

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sun. 18th Feb: Brigid Mackin & Joe Murtagh

Sun. 25th Feb: Kathleen Keating & Cathal O'Reilly

CARING FOR A LOVED ONE at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.

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 €530.00 Priests Offerings €276.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen -€322.00

Cortown -€95.00 Boyerstown - €234.00

Tap to Donate €20.00

Thank you to all who contribute, collect and count.

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Please contact us on Freephone 1800 677 777 or through our website info.northeast@svp.ie . Strict confidentiality is guaranteed at all times.

SYNOD FEEDBACK INVITATION

A series of meetings is planned for the coming weeks across the diocese of Meath to offer feedback on the Synod which was held in Rome last October and to offer an opportunity for further discernment on the synodal process which will inform the preparations for the Synod in Rome next October. All interested persons are invited to one of the following meetings:

Mullingar Community Centre, Wed. 21st February

Tullamore Parish Centre, Wed. 28th February

Navan Parish Room, Wed. 6th March

Ashbourne Parish Hall, Wed. 13th March

All meetings commence at 7:00pm, and will be facilitated by the Meath Diocesan Synodal Team. It would be helpful to have some familiarity with the document issued following the Synod last October called *Towards the 2024 Assembly* available on www.synod.va.

Lent
Pray . Fast . Give