

# Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN

Fr. Andy Doyle. P.P.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*(Laetare Sunday)*

10<sup>th</sup> March 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'.

## PRAYER OF POPE FRANCIS ON GOOD FRIDAY

O Christ, abandoned and betrayed even by your own, and sold for next to nothing. O Christ, judged by sinners, handed over by the leaders. O Christ, tortured in the flesh, crowned with thorns and clothed in purple. O Christ, slapped and beaten, and nailed in excruciating pain to the Cross.

O Christ, pierced by the lance that opened your heart. O Christ, dead and buried, you who are the God of life and existence. O Christ, our only Savior, we return to you this year with eyes lowered in shame, and with hearts filled with hope:

Shame for all the images of devastation, destruction and wreckage that have become a normal part of our lives;

Shame for the innocent blood that is shed: of women, children, migrants and those who are persecuted because of the color of their skin or their ethnicity and social standing, or because of their faith in You;

Shame for the many times that, like Judas and Peter, we have sold you and betrayed you and left you alone to die for our sins, fleeing like cowards from our responsibilities;

Shame for our silence before injustices; for our hands that have been lazy in giving, and greedy in grabbing and conquering; for the shrill voices we use to defend our own interests and the timid ones we use to speak out for others; for our feet that are quick to follow the path of evil and paralyzed in following the path of good;

*Translation by Diane Montagna of Aleteia's English edition*

*Part 2 will be published in next week's bulletin.*

## THIS WEEK, IRISH BISHOPS EMPHATICALLY CALLED FOR A CEASEFIRE IN GAZA, STATING:

"Let us all say: enough ... Stop the War! In saying this, we join with many in our parishes, together with all people of goodwill, in demanding an immediate end to the daily horror of killing, wounding and destruction of property and infrastructure there."

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**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** takes place every day from 3.00 to 6.00pm in Bohermeen church. All welcome.

## 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?*

We will continue to speak to our child about his faith and relationship with Jesus and the whole Catholic community.

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

I feel that in order for the children to feel part of the parish community they could benefit from being part of the Masses in a similar way to the Communion.

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**SAMARITANS** will hold a Church collection at all Masses on Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March. (supporting those in emotional distress 24/7) Freephone number **116 123**

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**THE CHOSEN-SEASON 2** will continue on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome.

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**NAVAN AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY** will host a talk on The Book of Kells in Columbanus Hall, Cannon Row, Navan on Thursday March 21st at 8pm. Speaker Mr. Donncha MacGabhann. N&DHS members free. Non-members €5.00



**Mass Intentions** Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> to Sun 17<sup>th</sup> March.  
**Bohermeen Church**-Daily Mass at 9.30am  
*(Funeral replaces Mass)*

**Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> March**

Boyerstown at 6.00pm  
-The King Family

**Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> March**

Cortown at 10.00am  
-Stephen Renehan-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
-Terence & Maisie Renehan & dec'd family members  
-Peter Kavanagh 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
-Johnny Henry-5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Bohermeen at 11.30am  
-Saoirse McMullan-7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
-Alex McLoughlin Coyne-2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.  
-Maura & John O'Connell  
-Jim Darcy-16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Mon. 11<sup>th</sup> March**

Bohermeen-Confirmation Ceremony at  
3.00pm

**Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> March**

Cortown at 6.00pm  
-Tomas & Margaret O'Brien-Ann. Mass

**Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> March**

Boyerstown at 10.00am  
-Henry & Mary Collins-Ann. Mass  
-Joseph Harte-Ann. Mass

Bohermeen at 11.30am  
-Rose, Christopher & Peter Dolan-Ann. Mass  
-Paddy, Bridgie & Johnny O'Malley & dec'd Family members  
-Tommy Melia and dec'd members of the Melia and Philbin families, Clonbur & Allenstown.  
-Martin & Mary Mackin & Nellie O'Neill

**Ministers of the Word:**

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Mar: Áine Keating

Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> Mar: Kevin McCormack

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Mar: Cathal O'Reilly & Brigid Mackin

Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> Mar: Kathleen Keating & Julie Yore

**LIGHT THE FIRE 2024** – The Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal invite you to join us in Slane on St. Patrick's Day. 5:00 pm Vespers on the Hill of Slane and Rosary procession to the Church, 6:00 pm Mass in St Patrick's Church followed by Eucharistic Adoration.

Event details: [www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony\\_or\\_041\\_983\\_0441](http://www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony_or_041_983_0441)

**WISHING** all the boys and girls in 6<sup>th</sup> class in our three primary schools all the very best tomorrow as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.



**MEATH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES.** The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will travel on September 10<sup>th</sup> and will be led by Bishop Deenihan. The diocesan choir will accompany the pilgrimage. All pilgrims will be accommodated in hotels and there are 4, 5 and 6 night options with fares starting at €769 with various hotels available. Further information and booking forms are available from Joe Walsh Tours, 89 Harcourt Street, Dublin. [www.joewalshstours.ie](http://www.joewalshstours.ie) Tel.: 01 241 0800 or contact Jennifer Reilly on 086 877 0729.

**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 €442.00 Priests Offerings €42.00 Offertory Collections: Bohermeen –€375.00 Cortown –€112.00 Boyerstown – €169.00 Tap to Donate €20.00 Thank you to all who contribute, collect and count.

**THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL** Please contact us on Freephone 1800 677 777 or through our website [info.northeast@svp.ie](mailto:info.northeast@svp.ie). Strict confidentiality is guaranteed at all times.

**REELING in the YEARS DINNER DANCE** in aid of St. Brigid's National School, Cortown. Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00pm in The Headfort Arms Hotel, Kells. Tickets €50.00. Contact Cortown NS on 046 924 9700.

