

# Parish of St. Ultan

BOHERMEEN –CORTOWN- BOYERSTOWN  
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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
25<sup>th</sup> August 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. *The Intercom*

1. In this chapter Jesus teaches that the meaning of his life, and the meaning of all human life, lies in being prepared to give of oneself. Perhaps you can identify with what Pope Francis says: 'Those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others....' (Pope Francis: The Joy of the Gospel, No.10)
2. 'This teaching is difficult', complained his hearers, including some of his own followers. Perhaps at times you also have wondered if you could go along with it. What helped you to overcome your resistance?
3. 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the message of eternal life.' In the midst of your doubts perhaps you have held on to your faith in Jesus because, like Peter, you found a more hopeful message in Jesus than you could find anywhere else. How has the gospel message been more attractive to you than any other?
4. 'The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life'. Recall the words and phrases of Jesus that are words of life for you.

## BOYERSTOWN CHURCH RENOVATIONS UPDATE.

Donations can continue to be made to any committee member, the parish office or by electronic bank transfer to the Credit Union Account.

Many thanks.

*Boyerstown Church Renovation Committee.*

## NAVAN BRANCH OF IRISH GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

will be carrying out a Church gate collection in the Bohermeen Parish on Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> and Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> August. The Branch members would be extremely grateful for any support that parishioners are able to give to this great cause. One of our local working Guide Dogs will be helping us with our collection at each of the three masses.

## \*\*IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR THE ATTENTION OF ALL PARISHIONERS\*\*

As we embark on a new era in the life of the Church in Ireland, which will be characterised by fewer priests and a changing society, the Bishop in consultation with the priests and the Parish Councils of the Diocese are about to initiate the process of grouping parishes into clusters of four to six parishes, so that pastoral care, masses, weddings, funerals, baptisms etc. will be provided in all of our parishes. As a valued member of Bohermeen, Boyerstown and Cortown Parish we would like for you to take a few minutes in determining the future of our parish. There are a number of important issues facing the future of the church. Your views and thoughts are vitally important to us and they will be at the forefront of future discussions and decisions in relation to the clustering of our parish.

You are being invited to fill in the online form which is attached here:

[Click here to access the online form](#)

Alternatively there are paper copies at the back of the three churches which can be filled in and returned by September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for taking the time to fill in the form.

**Mass Intentions** Sat. 24th Aug. to Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> Sept.

**Bohermeen Church**-Daily Mass at 9.30am  
(Funeral replaces Mass)

**Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug.**

Boyerstown at 6.00pm  
-for the people of the parish

**Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug.**

Cortown at 10.00am  
-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am  
-for the people of the parish

**Sat. 31<sup>st</sup> Aug.**

Cortown at 6.00pm  
-Matthew Mullen-5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> Sept.**

Boyerstown at 10.00am  
-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am  
-Brian Murtagh-5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
-Sean Dolan-5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Ministers of the Word:**

Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug: Áine Keating  
Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> Sept: Maureen Kerrigan

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug: Ann Reilly & Cathal O'Reilly  
Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> Sept: Joe Murtagh & Trish Henry

**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.

**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 €.435.00 Priests Offerings €.115.00**

**Offertory Collections:** Bohermeen –€271.680  
Cortown –€0.129.62 Boyerstown – €234.72  
Tap to Donate €30.00  
Thank you to all who contribute, collect and count.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY** Perhaps the best way of approaching the mystery of life commitments is by reflecting on God's commitment to us. This is a commitment that will never be broken. I believe that because of God's permanent commitment to us we can make a life commitment to God. There are some very dramatic actions such as religious vows or marriage vows that express that commitment. However, the commitment is repeated and renewed every time we bless ourselves, every time we pray even a prayer of petition, every time we celebrate a Eucharist. We will not know whether we have been faithful to our life commitment until we reach the end of our lives and stand before the presence of God.

*Fr Robert Lauder. The Tablet*

**MORNING PRAYER**

Lord Jesus,

I give you my hands to do your work,  
I give you my feet to go your way,  
I give you my eyes to see as you do,  
I give you my tongue to speak your words.

I give you my mind that you may think in me, I give you my spirit that you may pray in me.

Above all, I give you my heart that you may love in me.

AMEN

