# Parish of St. Ultan

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8<sup>th</sup> December 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. The manner in which Luke identifies in detail the time when john the Baptist started his preaching shows that Luke regarded this as a historic moment. Perhaps you can recall particularly a significant moment in your life, an occasion when you felt called to a change of work, status, or lifestyle?
- 2. John called people to give expression to their desire for a change of heart by a symbolic baptism in the Jordan. When have you found it helpful to symbolise your desire to change for the better by some symbolic gesture, e.g., burning a packet of cigarettes, sending a card, making a phone call, etc.
- 3 'A voice crying in the wilderness' Is sometimes taken to refer to a voice that is ignored. Pope Francis has issued a call to all of us to take part in the consultation process preparing for the recent Synod. What can you, and your faith community, do to make sure his call is answered.



THE CHOSEN-SEASON 4 part 3 will be shown on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm in the parish Centre. All welcome.

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP** will take place on Tuesday nights at 7.30pm in the **Parish Centre.** We are delighted so many people have signed up and everyone is welcome.

**BOHERMEEN CYCLING CLUB** will hold a Christmas Coffee Morning on Sunday 8th December from 10.00am -1.00pm for the Local St. Vincent de Paul in the Community Centre. To get yourself into the festive mood, there will to be plenty of Christmas treats and a raffle. 1<sup>st</sup> prize is a Christmas hamper. All welcome, please support.

BOHERMEEN COMMUNITY CENTRE would like to thank everyone that hosted stalls or attended last Sunday's Christmas market. The final €1000 monthly draw for 2024 takes place on Monday December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm, where everyone is invited to attend and have a cup of tea after the draw. There is a very limited number of 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorative mugs available. Please contact Stephen Ball 086 079 2580 to acquire one they are €10 each.

st ultans Historical Society annual 2025 calendar will be on sale after all masses in the parish on the weekend of Dec 14<sup>th</sup>& 15<sup>th</sup> they are priced at 8 euro, they are also on sale in the following local shops, Leahy's Mace at Newgate, McHugh's at Greetiagh, Nearby at Allenstown and Junes Daybreak at Fordstown.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**. If you need assistance or are aware of someone who needs assistance, financial or otherwise, please be assured that we are here to help. Please contact us on Freephone 1800 677 777 or through our website <a href="mailto:info.northeast@svp.ie">info.northeast@svp.ie</a> Strict confidentiality guaranteed at all times.

#### **THOUGHT for the DAY**

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Salvation is for all people. You don't have to be part of a particular ethnic group or nation. You can be a homeless person or a corporate CEO. Kings and queens, peasants and paupers, are all welcome in God's Kingdom. People of every race, generation, and tribe are all welcome.

God's love is shown to all people. There is no entrance exam or need to perform certain good deeds. All people will see God's salvation and can enter in.

Christmas is about the birth of a baby, but it is so much more. It is the birth of a Kingdom that is above every Kingdom, an opportunity for all people to be friends of God. Mass Intentions Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> to Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. Bohermeen Church-Daily Mass at 9.30am (Funeral replaces Mass)

Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Cortown at 6.00pm

- -Kathleen Quigley-1st Ann & Michael Quigley.
- -Brendan Henry-32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

Sun. 8th Dec.

Boyerstown at 10.00am

-for the people of the parish

Bohermeen at 11.30am

-Loretta Barker-3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

Mon. 9th Dec-The Immaculate Conception of

the Blessed Virgin Mary

**BOYERSTOWN AT 9.30am** 

CORTOWN AT 10.30am

**BOHERMEEN AT 11.30am** 

#### Sat. 14th Dec.

Boyerstown at 6.00pm

- -Dec'd members of the Hurley & Quirke families
- -Liam Clogher-5<sup>th</sup> Ann.

#### Sun. 15th Dec.

Cortown at 10.00am

-Michael Vahey-50th Anniversary

### Bohermeen at 11.30am

- -MM-Eamon Flynn
- -Jonathan Tormay-1st Anniversary
- -Betty Williams-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary
- -Paddy Flanagan-4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## **Ministers of the Word:**

Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec: Maureen Kerrigan Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: Kerri Finnegan

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

Sun: 8<sup>th</sup> Dec: Ann Reilly & Margaret Farrell Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: Julie Yore & Geraldine Sheridan

**PRAY** Myra Gormley and John Gormley, Galway (brother and sister of Eileen Nally) and Margaret Kennedy, Navan (aunt of Anne Murtagh) who died recently. May they rest in peace.

**ROSARY & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET** for Peace and Protection in the World takes place every Tuesday evening in Boyerstown Church at 6.30pm and on Wednesday evenings in Cortown Church at 6.30pm. All welcome.

**CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE** will take place in Boyerstown Church on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 5.00pm. All welcome.

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**WE** hope all our elderly parishiohers are keeping well during this cold spell of weather. If you are not on our First Friday call list and would like Fr. Andy to visit with the Holy Eucharist please contact the Parish office and he would be happy to call to you. 046 907 3805

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 BOFIIE2D (please include your box no.)

Building Fund €527.00 Priests Offerings €0.00

Offertory Collections: Bohermeen –€260.00

Cortown –€90.00 Boyerstown – €170.00

Tap to Donate €30.00

**CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS** are now available from the Parish office. €10.00 each.

**BOHERMEEN CHOIR** rehearsals take place on Wednesday evenings from 6.00 to 7.00pm in Bohermeen Church. All singers and musicians welcome.

Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30pm in Bohermeen Church. Visiting priests will attend.

A PRAYER FOR THE
Second Sunday of Advent

Jesus, you came among us
with the irresistible power of a baby,
requiring both our hands
and captivating our whole hearts.
Help us to cast aside the sin
and brokenness that we cling to,
so we might be ready to hold you
when you come again.
Amen.