

BOHERLAHAN & DUALLA NEWSLETTER

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We remember in our prayers the following whose anniversaries occur around this time:

BOHERLAHAN

Sat 17 Feb 7.30pm **P.J.O Connell**, Kilbreedy & Cashel & **Jimmy Hickey**, Kilbreedy and **dec. members of the Hickey family**
Sun 18 Feb 11.00am **Sarah Meskill**, Ardmayle and her parents **Jimmy and Nellie Ryan** (Mason) Ballyroe.
Sat 24 Feb 7.30pm **Martin Ferncombe**, Regaile
Sun 25 Feb 11.00am **Ted Woods**, Ballytarsna and **Patrick Kavanagh**, Ballymore and Norway

DUALLA

Sat 17 Feb 6:30pm **Paddy & Statia O' Donnell**, Gortnakellis, and niece **Elizabeth Looney**;
Tom Hannon, Twickenham & Meldrum (Month's Mind)
Sun 18 Feb 9:30am **Billy Croke**, Ballytarsna
Sat 24 Feb 6:30pm **Philip & Mary O'Dwyer**, Garraun



Thursday 22 Feb is the feast of **The Chair of St Peter**, Apostle. This feast celebrates Peter as bishop of Rome and the focus of unity in the communion of one faith.

HOLY COMMUNION MINISTERS (On duty next weekend)

BOHERLAHAN: Denis O' Dwyer; Pat Maher & Nellie Taylor
DUALLA: Pauline Toomey; Marie O' Gorman



Thinking about Priesthood? An opportunity for men discerning priesthood aged 18 to 40 will take place 23 and 24 February 2018 at the Pallotine College, Thurles, from 6pm Friday to 3pm Saturday. Advance booking is required. The event is free of charge. Please contact your local parish priest or vocations director. 'Come and See.'

Peter's Pence and WMOF Collection: Envelope for Peter's Pence and the World Meeting of Families collections is included in your box. These will be taken up next weekend. Note that this is a combined collection, and your generosity will be most appreciated.

St Joseph's Young Priests' Society will hold a **Day Retreat** at the Pallottine Retreat Centre, Thurles, on Sunday February 25, commencing with Mass at 10am. Programme includes Confession, Holy Hour and Benediction. Lunch included. Fr Gerard Hennessy PP will lead the Retreat. Please contact: Maura at 062-61912.

MEETING FOR RETURNED LAY MISSIONARIES & VOLUNTEERS

Meeting on Wed 28 Feb at 7.00 pm in Archbishop's House, Cathedral Street, All are welcome. For more info email jim.farrell@amri.ie or phone/text 083 8422468 .

Mass of Healing: Celebrated by Fr. John Keane at Clonoulty Church, Feb. 26 at 7.30pm.

Lourdes Fundraising Draw: 9 March, tickets €20 each. Tickets from: Jovita Delaney, Mary Donnelly, Dick Hennessy, Jim Mulligan, Kathleen O'Donnell and Mary Quinn.

Trócaire Box: Every Lent, Trócaire focuses on helping families and communities in different parts of our world. Their focus country this year is Sierra Leone. Kumba, whose face appears on the Trócaire Box this year, along with her family, is recovering from the terrifying mudslide which devastated her local community last August in Freetown. Please take home a Trócaire Box (available in the Porch) and help Kumba, her family and community at this time.

Sincere Thanks: To parishioners who travelled to Ballykisteon Hotel on last Tuesday night for a training session to prepare for the forthcoming parish engagement with Pope Francis's document on marriage and the family. The event was positive and enriching, and will help greatly with sharing on this theme in the parish in the near future.

Community Website: In our continuing development, www.boherlahandualla.ie is now integrated with Facebook. New articles on our website will also be automatically posted to our Facebook page. We invite you to follow us at www.facebook.com/boherlahandualla where you can share and like your favourite articles. The editor@boherlahandualla.ie always welcomes notices, etc

JAMES KILBANE IN CONCERT: HYMNS & SONGS OF FAITH - Celebrating the World Meeting of Families 2018: Sun 4 March, SS Joseph & Brigid's Church, Bóthar na Naomh. Doors open 7.00 p.m. Concert at 8.00 p.m. Donation Ticket: €20 now available in the Parish Office and Bookworm, Liberty Square.

Be Missionaries for Life: an extract from the Pastoral Letter of Dr. Eamon Martin, Archbishop of Armagh. *'I encourage you to be missionaries for the cause of Life. Remember those words of Pope Francis: "to serve human life is to serve God" Speak to your families, your children and grandchildren, friends and colleagues about cherishing the precious gift of life at all times from conception to natural death. Speak the truth about life, and speak it with love. Despite the strong pressure to remain silent, do not be afraid to witness to the equality of all life in private conversations and public discussion in the coming months. As citizens committed to the Common Good, you have a democratic right to make your views known, respectfully, to our public representatives. Please pray earnestly with me that Ireland will "choose life" and that the lives of all women and their unborn children will always be loved, valued, welcomed and respected in this country'.*

Forms of Friday Penance

The practice of Friday Penance is often mistakenly thought to have been abolished years ago. In fact it never was. In 2010 the Irish Bishops suggested the following ways of fulfilling Friday penance: you could choose a different one each week throughout the year.

- Abstaining from meat or some other food
- Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking
- Making a special effort at involvement in family prayer
- Making a special effort to participate in Mass on Fridays
- Visiting the Blessed Sacrament
- Making the Stations of the Cross
- Fasting from all food for a longer period than usual and perhaps giving what is saved to the needy
- Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely

Safeguarding Policy in the Archdiocese and in the Parish: A concise policy leaflet is available in the church and on the Diocesan website. Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are Chris Hayes and Ann Marie Devane. The Diocese has introduced Child Friendly safeguarding leaflets and a poster, which can be found in the porch of the churches. The Church has a sacred obligation to ensure that children are welcomed, cherished and protected in a manner consistent with their central place in the life of the Church.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018 (Archdiocese of Cashel and Emly): 16-21 Jun, five nights, fully inclusive price €715. Booking forms (pilgrim section): JWT 143 Lr Baggot St., Dublin 2. Tel (01) 2410811. Assisted/Sick Section applications: Fr J Tynan, Killeely Tel (061) 384213. Pilgrimage Director: Rev. J. Donnelly PP, Doon, Tel 061-380165