



BOHERLAHAN & DUALLA NEWSLETTER



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

Michael & Paddy Egan, Bawnmore; **Paddy & Mai Tuohy** and their sons **Mikie Joe** and **Mossie**; **P. Quirke**, Lr Nodstown; **Albert & Mona Maher**, Ardmayle & their daughter **Alberta**; **Michael O'Dwyer**, Ardmayle; **John Ryan**, London & Castlemoyle; **Matt & Mary Ryan**, Garryard and their sons **John & Liam**; **Jimmy Connolly**, Rathmore; **Michael Barry**, Coleraine; **Denis & Joan O'Sullivan**, Ballinure.

PRAY FOR: **Sr Mary Emmanuel Dwyer**, Ballinure & Limerick; **Lorraine Shanahan**, Thurles & Cork; **Alice Troy**, Grawn, Dualla; **Thomas Dargan**, Anacarty.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (On duty next weekend)

DUALLA : Julianne Ryan; Marie O'Gorman
BOHERLAHAN : 7/8 Dec: Paddy O'Dwyer; Mary Ryan (N); Nora Moloney
12/13 Dec: Roger Kennedy; Katie Cunningham; Nellie Taylor

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY : 8 December 2015 – 20 November 2016

The fervent wish of Pope Francis is that this Jubilee Year is a fresh opportunity for everyone to experience the great mercy of God. The mercy of God is so central to the faith and life of Pope Francis. It is his experience of God's mercy and the way he shows to others the mercy he has received that makes him such a remarkable figure in our world today. He knows that every person, whether they think of themselves as religious or not, longs for the embrace of mercy, the love that accepts us as we are and, at the same time, calls us to become what we are made to be. Mercy, especially the mercy of God, says to us 'it is never too late!', precisely when we think that we are stuck for ever in our mediocre and destructive ways.

SEASON OF ADVENT: Advent means "coming and so we are invited to prepare for the celebrations of the first coming of Christ. Advent is a time of (a) waiting (b) conversion (c) hope. (a) We wait in memory of his first coming among us on that humble night at Bethlehem. We invite him to come into our lives anew this Christmas.

(b) The prophets of Advent call us to conversion. "Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand". ©It is a season of great hope, a joyful hope that the salvation already accomplished by Christ will by his grace come to maturity in each one of us.

TUESDAY 8 DECEMBER : FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

MASSES BOHERLAHAN: 7.30pm Vigil Mass Monday evening; 11.00am Tuesday
MASSES DUALLA: 6.30pm Vigil Mass Monday evening; 9.30am Tuesday

CHRISTMAS PENITENTIAL SERVICE

BOHERLAHAN: Monday 14 December 7.00pm – 8.00pm

DUALLA : Tuesday 15 December 7.00pm – 8.00pm

Confessions will be heard from 7.00pm and following Mass.

Going to Confession would be a wonderful start to the Jubilee Year of Mercy



CHRISTMAS PRIESTS COLLECTION: Next weekend 12/13 December

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY: *Boherlahan Parish Hall, Sunday 13 December*

We plan to commence with Mass at 1.30pm followed by dinner, craic, music and song. The invitations are going out at the moment for our Christmas party. Please let the representatives in your area know if you plan on attending. We have to be accurate in our numbers this year. All the invitations to be in for our meeting on **Wednesday 9 December**. This meeting commences at 7.30pm. **Anyone wishing to help this year at the party should come along to this meeting.**

A Voice of the Parish committee meeting will follow this meeting at 8.15pm

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE: We hope to hold our Christmas Carol Service on Sunday 20 December in St John's Church, Ardmayle, commencing at 7.30pm. It is a wonderful night of song, remembrance and prayer.

Do come along and enjoy the Christmas atmosphere of peace, hope and joy.



CHRISTMAS YOUTH RETREAT: *Youth 2000 Ireland* will hold its annual Christmas Youth Retreat in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare, from Friday 18 to Sunday 20 December. Booking is essential. For more information see www.youth2000.ie. Tel 01-6753690.

BALLYTARNSNA SCHOOL CLOTHING COLLECTION: Please drop bags into School

SERVICES FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING: Next Clinic - Monday 7 December from 10.00am – 1.00pm in St Mary's Health Centre, Thurles. This service is free..

BOHERLAHAN-DUALLA G.A.A. LOTTO: Winning No: 2-4-6-25. Match 3 winners: Ann Ryan, Golden Road; Michael Purcell; Emma, Aoife & Conor Marshall, Boherlahan. Lucky Dip winners: Marie Ryan, Thurles beg; Anne Barrett; Tony Cullivan; Tommy Fahy, Gaile, Martin O'Reilly, Ballinree. Jackpot stay at €19,600.

DUALLA CHRISTMAS FAMILY EVENING: Sat 12 Dec- Dualla Parish Hall.

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 6 DECEMBER

John the Baptist cried out and made ready for the Lord. Who will promote the Gospel in our Community? (Luke 3,1-6). If you think God is calling you to the priesthood, please call Fr Joe Walsh, Vocations Director (086-7714888) or email jjwalsh05@eircom.net

LAUDATO SI : PRAISED BE TO YOU

Pope Francis warns early on in his encyclical that the destruction of the environment is "extremely serious" not only because God has "entrusted the world" to humanity, but because "human life is itself a gift which must be defended from various forms of debasement". Authentic human development has a moral character. It presumes full respect for the human person, but it must also be concerned for the world around us," he says. Pope Francis sets out an "urgent challenge" to protect the environment from any further destruction, calling on society to work together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change.

SOME WATER & AIR FACTS: It takes 15,000 litres of water to produce one kg of beef. One tonne of recycled paper saves 30,000 litres of water and 17 large trees. Almost 80% of our air is nitrogen. Almost 20% of it is oxygen. In the last 100 years carbon dioxide emissions have risen by a factor of 12.