

BOHERLAHAN & DUALLA NEWSLETTER



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We remember in our prayers the following whose anniversaries occur around this time: Philip De Vere Hunt, Ardmayle; Dave & Kate Barry, Freighduff and their Great grand daughter Robyn; Catherine Moloney, Clonmel & Ardmayle; William Dwyer, Ballytarsna; James & Ellen Hayes, Kilbreedy; Daniel McCarthy, Bawnmore & Cashel; Bridie Heffernan, Bown; Croke Family, Ballytarsna.

PRAY FOR: Mary Fitzgerald, Cashel; Luke Larkin, Templetuohy; Brendan Kinane, Ballinahinch, who died recently.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

(On duty next weekend)

DUALLA: Kathleen O'Donnell; Mona Heffernan **BOHERLAHAN**: Jimmy Mulligan; Mary Coman; Jovita Delaney



PRIEST'S CHRISTMAS COLLECTION: This Collection was taken up last weekend. Sincere thanks to all who contributed. If you were away or missed out you can hand in your collection with the Offertory Collection.

MASSES ON THE WEEKEND 26/27 DECEMBER

There will be no Vigil Mass on the evening of the 26th (St Stephen's Day). Masses on Sunday 27 December are Dualla 9.30am / Boherlahan 11.00am.

CHRISTMAS MASSES		BOHERLAHAN	DUALLA
	Vigil Mass Christmas Eve	7.30pm	6.30pm
	Christmas Day	11.00am	9.30am



CHRISTMAS PARTY THANKS: We had a wonderful and very successful Christmas Party last Sunday. Over 120 people sat down to a beautiful lunch served in such a gracious and friendly manner. It was parish and community spirit at its very best. Congratulations and sincere thanks to all involved. It was a fine example of young and not so young united and working together for the good of all. You could almost catch the spirit of cooperation, friendship and camaraderie that was so apparent. Long may it continue in our parish and well done to an energetic and caring committee

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE: We gather this evening in St John's Church, Ardmayle, for our Annual Carol Service. Sincere thanks to all involved in the preparations. Do come along and share in a wonderful night of song, remembrance and prayer. The Carol Service starts at 7.30pm.

NOVENA MASS: BOHERLAHAN

This Monday 21 Dec the Novena Mass will be celebrated on the morning at 10.00am

WELCOME: A warm and friendly **Céad Míle Fáilte** to all who are home with their families for Christmas. We welcome all our visitors. We hope you will have a happy and restful holiday with us.

APPRECIATION AND THANKS: As Priests of the Parish, Fr Dunne & I wish to express sincere thanks to all who have helped in so many different ministries in the parish the past year. We are indeed very grateful for the friendship, support and co-operation we receive from so many people: Sacristans, Altar Servers, Choirs and Organists, Altar Societies & Flower Clubs. People who erect the cribs and decorate our churches. Readers, Collectors, Eucharistic Ministers, FÁS personnel and all the different organisations. We pray that all the Parishioners of Boherlahan & Dualla will find Peace and Joy and

Happiness this Christmas and we will journey with an abundance of hope during 2016.

VISIT THE CRIB: Peace on earth. Good will towards all. Comfort and joy. Light and love. Santa Claus and gifts. Faith and friendship. Christmas is the season of many things but above all it is the season of the child. Let us above all focus on the child born in Bethlehem. This period is about the birth of Jesus Christ, in a manger, far from glitz and glamour. He is the point of this season, and no special interest group or hectic schedule can tear us from the wondrous, peace-giving gift from God, his only son, come down to earth. This season is for renewal of appreciation of our faith.

This season is for the children among us who have no inhibitions about expressing delight in laughter, unconditional love and even too-cute insistence in how many more days until . . . It is to these children that history, traditions and – most important – faith practices are passed. There is no time like the holidays to reinforce the values and faith that form the backbone for the oft-sung "people of good will. Visit the crib, pray there and tell the story of it to the children.

I thank Johnnie Carew, and Pat Donnelly for their help. I also thank Kathleen O'Donnell and her helpers for the lovely crib in Dualla.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN: ARCHDIOCESE OF CASHEL & EMLY

In the porch of the churches this weekend are newsletters outlining some of the work being done to help in the safeguarding of children. You will find the newsletter informative. It is hoped it will raise awareness of what child safeguarding is. Please take a copy and read it.

BOHERLAHAN-DUALLA G.A.A. LOTTO: Winning No: 6-10-15-24. *Match 3 winners:* Dermot Coffey, Dualla; Arden Slattery, Dundrum; Anto O'Donnell, Ardmayle; Betty Crowe; Michael Hickey; Gerarda Heffernan, Dualla; Richard Hallinan, Dualla; Anna Fitzgerald, Dualla. *Lucky Dip Winners*: Mgt Leahy, Tobberadora; Michael Hallinan, Dualla; Willie O'Brien, Nodstown; Sabrina O'Dwyer; Mrs M. Maher. *Christmas Lucky Dip Winners*: Paul & Kyle O'Dwyer; Abina Phelan; Averil Maher;

A CRIB MEDITATION

My brothers, my sisters, here at this crib, be silent! Look! Pray!

Be open: allow the barriers to fall: Your barriers of comfort, the barriers of your hate; those of your ready excuses and ready-made prayers

Be silent! Look! Pray!

Tessie Maher; John Bourke. Jackpot stays at €19,600.

Be open to let in what will show you the spirit of Christmas, Then you will be stripped of all that clutters your life, then you will revive all those things which have ceased to mean something to you. This child will disturb you but He is the secret of happiness Let this child surprise you this Christmas.