# BOHERLAHAN & DUALLA NEWSLETTER

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#### Anniversaries:

## Boherlahan:

Sat 14 Jan 7:30 pm John O' Connell, Ardmayle and dec. members of the family;
Augusta Thabah, India

Sun 15 Jan 11:00 am Mick O' Dwyer, Tobberadora

Sat 21 Jan 7:30 pm Bobby & Peggy Manton, Synone

Sun 22 Jan 11:00 am Mattie & Winnie Browne, Ballytarsna

Pray for: John Ryan, Thurles; Sally Moloney (née Wade), Rosegreen; Billy Molumby,

Knockanuss, Moycarkey, who were interred last week.

### Dualla:

Sat 14 Jan 6:30 pm Willie & Mary Gleeson, Garraun;

Michael O' Dwyer, Carrick-on-Suir and Garraun (Month's Mind)

Sun 15 Jan 9:30 am Paddy & Josephine Flanagan and daughter Patricia

Sun 21 Jan 6:30 pm The Fogarty family, Garraun;

Willie Maxy, Ballinure (Month's Mind)

Today is the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Urged by the comments of Pope Francis about the plight of thousands of people across the world who are migrants or refugees, it is important that we come together to remember and pray for them. A particular concern must be the many children, often orphaned, who migrate alone, unaccompanied, to escape poverty and violence. "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me" (Mark 9:37). See the *Prayer for Unaccompanied Migrant Children* on this newsletter.

Tuesday (17 Jan) is the memorial of St Anthony, abbot (died 356). Known as the "Father of Monasticism," he lived a life of solitude but also attracted many others to form communities of hermits.

Wednesday (18 Jan) is the first day of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme for prayer this year is "Reconciliation: The Love of Christ Compels Us" (cf. 2 Cor 5:14-20). It also marks the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for January is: That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

Saturday (21 January) is the memorial of St Agnes, virgin and martyr. Sunday (22 January) marks the beginning of Catholic Schools' Week.

#### HOLY COMMUNION MINISTERS

(On duty next weekend)

BOHERLAHAN: Dennis O' Dwyer; Máiréad Sweeney & Mary Coman

**DUALLA:** Billy Gleeson; Pauline Toomey

# Vocations to Priesthood/Religious Life:

"To you who have been consecrated in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people." Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to consider priesthood? Contact: Fr Joe Walsh 086-7714888 or your local Priest

A Call to Volunteer in the Parish: Last Sunday was the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In the Gospels it marks the formal beginning of Jesus' ministry among the people. The feast might well be thought of as a call to every Christian to put their own Baptism into action, just as Jesus did. Every parishioner in Boherlahan-Dualla can give thanks that so many people are willing to offer their service to the life of the parish in a variety of ways: Communion ministers; readers of God's Word; choir; altar servers; sacristans; altar societies; parish councils; boards of management and other groups. Without them the parish could not function. More people, however, are needed. Your parish needs you. Why not consider volunteering for a ministry in the parish? A good opportunity now presents itself. For the next two weekends at each Mass clipboards will be circulated and you will have the opportunity to make a commitment to volunteer in the parish. Please consider volunteering and making your contribution to the life of the parish.

Weekly Envelopes: We are very grateful to all who used the weekly envelopes last weekend, what is placed in the envelope can be the contribution of the family. It may mean that the husband or the wife may have to let the bag pass as the other has the envelope. We know that you will cooperate with us in using the weekly envelope and in the Charity Tax Reclaim. The aim of the new arrangement is to help the financial health of the parish without having extra collections. The bags will go around as usual. You may place your envelope in the bag together with the contribution of visitors and others. You do not have to write your name on the envelope but you may. If we missed out on anyone in the distribution of the envelopes, we would love to hear from you.

**Boherlahan-Dualla GAA Lotto:** winning nos: 3; 9; 23; 26. Two Match Three winners: Kathleen O' Dwyer; Tony Lacey.

Community Website: The website is being read "down under in Australia: see the email seeking Irish cousins on boherlahandualla.ie. We would love to hear from other parts of the world also, and indeed from closer to home. Send photos, written contributions, emails or any other material to editor@boherlahandualla.ie. There are events happening which should be recorded on the website. For example, does anyone have photos from the recent parish Christmas Party, or the Christmas Carol Service? Thanks to everyone who supports our community website.

## Prayer for Unaccompanied Migrant Children

Mary, you travelled alone
To reach the loving embrace
Of your beloved family member.
Elizabeth welcomed you with
Open arms and an open heart.

Mary, Mother of the human family,
Help us end the misery
Of children separated from family by man-made borders
But not by love.
May they arrive, as you did,
To joy and to the benediction
Of a loving embrace.
Amen.