BOHERLAHAN & DUALLA NEWSLETTER

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

BOHERLAHAN

Sat 5 May 7.30pm Michael Ramsey, Thurlesbeg; John & Mary Carew, Synone

Sat 12 May 7.30pm **Denis and Mary Keane**, Tobberadora

Sun 13 May 11.00am John & Mary O' Dwyer, Synone; Pierce & Peggy Butler and

their son Pierce, Synone

Pray for: Brendan O' Reilly, Ballinree, Drom and England who was interred last week.

DUALLA

Sat 6 May 6:30pm **Jim Bergin**, Ballykelly

Sat 12 May 6:30pm Frank La Flamme, Garryard, and his mother Kathleen

HOLY COMMUNION MINISTERS

(On duty next week)

BOHERLAHAN: Julia O' Dwyer; Mary Quinn & Mary Coman

DUALLA: Mona Heffernan; Majella Crosse



Camas Grotto May Novena: Monday 2 May to Thursday 10 May. Prayers each evening at 7.30pm except on Monday evening at 7pm. All are welcome.

Youth Ministry Course: The Archdiocese of Cashel & Emly, in conjunction with the Diocese of Killaloe, will host a youth ministry training course in September this year. Enquiries to Fr Enda Brady, Rosegreen 087-67604358.

Dualla First Holy Communion: We had a wonderful ceremony in Dualla on Saturday. The children from Little Flower N.S. Ballytarsna and Dualla N.S. celebrated their First Holy Communion. We sincerely thank the teachers, the parents and all involved in the preparation of the children.

First Holy Communion, Boherlahan: Saturday next 12 May at 11.00am. The following children will receive the Sacrament: Conor Cunningham; Neasa Dwan; Leah Hickey; Michael Hoare; Abbie Horgan; Aaron McCarthy; Sarah Meehan; Gabrielle Morrissey; Sophie Moynihan; Sarah Murphy; Christopher O Brien; Conor O Donnell. Let us remember all of them and their families in our prayers at this time.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society: Mass and AGM will take place at the Sacred Heart Church, Borrisoleigh on Wednesday 16 May at 7:30pm. All welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration at Acorn Lodge: 2:30 - 3:30 pm on Thursdays May 3, 17 and 31. All welcome to come and spend time in God's presence.

The **Diocesan Family Fun Day** in preparation for the World Meeting of Families (WMOF) took place at Tipperary Racecourse on last Sunday. The successful event was enjoyed by the many people from across the diocese who attended. Special thanks for the families and individuals from Boherlahan and Dualla who travelled and contributed to the success of the afternoon's celebration of family and faith.

WMOF CHOIRS: If you'd like to be involved in a 5,000 strong massed choir at the Papal Mass on Sunday 26 August in Phoenix Park, you can be part of a **74-strong** contingent from our diocese. Also, there will be an opportunity to sing in the RDS on Friday 24 August, as part of a 1,000 strong Munster choir. If you wish to be involved, please e-mail annhassett@live.ie (Cashel & Emly Diocesan Choir) before 10 May stating your availability for one OR both of the dates above. You may also join in the Diocesan Choir at the Official Opening of the World Meeting of Families in the Cathedral, Thurles, on Tuesday evening, 21 August. A meeting/ rehearsal for those interested in any of the three dates above will take place in Lámh Chunta, beside Bothar na Naomh Church, Thurles on Thursday 10 May at 8p.m.

Boherlahan Annual Novena for the Sick: Friday evening next and will continue each evening at 7.30pm except on Sat. and Mon.(7pm). It concludes on Sat. 19 May.

Boherlahan –Dualla Parish Pastoral and Liturgy Group will meet in the Parochial House on Monday evening next at 8.15pm.

Boherlahan Parish Council will meet on Tuesday evening in the Parochial Hall at 8pm. Plans for the Annual Sports evening will be discussed.

Historical Journal Society: The deadline for the submission of articles is fast approaching. Please forward your article to Paddy O' Dwyer on or before 1 May. Photos welcome.

Community Website: This week www.boherlahandualla.ie has a report, full results and some photos from the recently held Community Games Athletics Evening. We also have information about the forthcoming collection of poems by Tim Joe McGrath which is being published by the Ardmayle Heritage Society. Sincere thanks to everyone who supports the website by sending material to the editor@boherlahandualla.ie. Our Facebook page is www.facebook.com/boherlahandualla.

Phil Coulter - Cathedral Echoes: *Tickets now available in the Parish Centre, Cathedral Street and Bookworm, Liberty Square*. Enjoy an evening with the internationally renowned composer and musician Phil Coulter in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Thurles on Fri 28 Sept 8.00 p.m. This event will mark the beginning of fundraising for the Cathedral reroofing project. Ticket Donation: €35. Contact 0504 22229 / parishcentre@thurlesparish.ie

PROTECTING HUMAN LIFE

"The deletion or amendment of Article 40.3.3, would serve no purpose other than to withdraw the right to life from some categories of unborn children. To do so would radically change the principle, for <u>all</u> unborn children and indeed for all of us, that the right to life is a fundamental human right. During the current debate some have argued that abortion itself is a human right. We see this view as being inconsistent with an integral understanding of human rights. We would point out that the European Convention on Human Rights requires that "everyone's right to life shall be protected by the law". The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child defines a child as meaning "every human being below the age of eighteen years unless, under the law applicable to the child, majority is attained earlier". No distinction is made between born and unborn children."

(Extract from a Statement of the Irish Bishops, March 2018)

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.

World Meeting of Families: The following key moments will be included:

- 1. A **National Opening** on Tuesday 21 August will take place simultaneously in each of the dioceses of Ireland.
- 2. A **three day Congress** from 22-24 August in the R.D.S. Dublin.
- 3. A **Festival of Families** on Sat. 25th August, comprising a reflective concert style event within a prayerful and joyful atmosphere, in which personal stories of faith will be shared by families from all continents.
- 4. A **Closing Mass** will be celebrated by Pope Francis in the Phoenix Park on Sunday 26 August with thousands of people from Ireland and across the world.