

BOHERLAHAN & DUALLA NEWSLETTER

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We remember in our prayers:

BOHERLAHAN

Sat 19 Jan 7.30pm **Peggy & Bobby Manton**, Synone
Sun 20 Jan 11.00am **John O' Connell**, Ardmayle & dec. **O' Connell family**
Sat 2 Feb 7.30pm **Donie Cullen**, Longfield and his son **Mark**
Sun 3 Feb 11.00am **Elsie Dwyer**, Ballytarsna
Pray for: **Sean Leahy**, Boherlahan (Mass has been offered)



DUALLA

Sat 26 Jan 6.30pm **Deceased members of the Fogarty family**, Garraun
Michael Shelley, Rathclough
Sat 2 Feb 6.30pm **Chris Colville & son Pat**, Coleraine
Pat Spillane, Dualla

PRAY FOR: **Batt & Bridie Hickey**, and son **John**, Gortnakellis (Mass has been offered)
Jim & Annie Gibbons and decd. **Ward family**, Coleraine (Mass has been offered)
Caroline Breen, Freighduff, who was interred last week.

Today Sun 27 Jan marks the **beginning of Catholic Schools' Week 27 Jan – 3 Feb**. Theme: *Celebrating the Work of Our Local Catholic Schools*. During Catholic Schools Week we pray for all involved in our schools and we thank God for the dedication of our principals, teachers and other school personnel in the education and formation of our children. We are blessed in our parish with the unstinting service and dedication that is a hallmark of each of our three schools.

Monday 28 January is the **memorial of St Thomas Aquinas** (1224-74), priest and doctor of the Church. An outstanding theologian, he is a patron of schools, universities, students and booksellers.

Thurs 31 Jan: **Memorial of St John Bosco**, priest (1815-88). He founded the Salesians for the education of boys. He is a patron of youth and Catholic publishers.

Fri 1 Feb: **Feast of St Brigid**, abbess, secondary Patron of Ireland.

Sat 2 Feb: **Feast of The Presentation of the Lord**. Today is also the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. This is the day when we bless candles for use in the church during the coming year. Candles and offerings for same may be handed in at any time.

Sun (3 Feb) **Memorial of St Blaise**. **The Blessing of Throats will be administered before and after all Masses in the parish this weekend.** The blessing of St Blaise is a sign of our faith in God's protection and love for us and for all who are sick.

HOLY COMMUNION MINISTERS (On duty next week)

BOHERLAHAN: Aidan Ó Gormáin; Nora Moloney & Mary Donnelly

DUALLA: Ann Barry Ward; Majella Crosse



First Friday: This Friday 1 Feb Fr. Egan and Fr. Dunne will make the monthly home visits. Masses and confessions at usual times.

Scoil San Isadóir: Enrolment is now closed in Scoil San Isadóir as we have reached our capacity for 2019-2020. Thank you, Múinteoir Máire.

BOHERLAHAN READERS

Sat 7.30 pm Eibhlís Maher, Freighduff; Sun. 11.00 am: Aidan & Nóirín Ó Gormáin

COLLECTORS: Sat 7.30pm.

Main Aisle: PJ Stapleton

Our Lady's: Mgt Wallace

St. Joseph's: Tom Wallace

Sun 11.00am

Denis O' Dwyer

Mairéad Hogan

Liam Connolly



DUALLA READERS: (Sat. 6:30 pm) Willie Fahy; (Sun 9:30 am) Marie Gleeson

Altar Society: Kitty McGrath; Hannah Kennedy; Majella Crosse; Bridget O' Flynn

COLLECTORS: (Sat. 6:30 pm): Connie Mulcahy & Andrew Kennedy;

(Sun 9:30 am): David O' Gorman & Con Ryan

Parish Envelopes and Annual Financial Report: The Annual Financial Report, Calendar and Collection Envelopes have been distributed to the homes of the parish. If anyone did not get this correspondence, we apologise. If you call in to the sacristy and let us know, we will rectify the situation. Our sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who contribute to our parish and to all who help in the preparation and distribution of the envelopes

Dualla Church Choir: A public meeting to form a weekly choir in Dualla will be held on Tues 5 Feb 8.00pm in Dualla Church. We are blessed locally with a lot of singing talent. Come along and become part of this important part of our liturgy and worship in Dualla.

Boherlahan NS Parents Council: Fundraising cake sale and raffle in the Parish Hall, Boherlahan, after 11am Mass on Sunday 3 Feb. All support would be greatly appreciated.

Community Website: www.boherlahandualla.ie has photos from the recording at Regaile of Eamon O'Dwyer's "Down Your Way" programme for Tipp FM. Why not visit the website to look back over parish news and events since we started in 2015. Please send any content to the editor@boherlahandualla.ie.

The Generosity of God: Faith reveals endlessly to me your "generous love," as [Cardinal] Newman calls it. This is shown dramatically in Jesus your Son. I can never get over the fact that he loved me and delivered himself over to death for me. Why ME? Yet there it is. I am loved, and I know it. Pope Francis's phrase sustains me: "when everything is said and done, we are infinitely loved"! Even when I miss the point of the gospels, and fail to make life better for the miserable, your love remains generous and you give me endless opportunities to do good. (Brian Grogan SJ).

Reflection on Christian Courage: *Isn't courage something we really admire in people? A child learning to walk and making efforts, even if he falls or she has to be helped at every step. A young person trying again after exam failure, or making yet another job application. People who make it against the odds of illness or disability or deep hurt. Courage is strength from the inside. How to nourish this strength? Just look at the face of Jesus and see the face of God alive with courage despite rejection; a face communicating strength—strength born in the depths of his suffering—strength to his friends like you and me when we suffer. We need courage in life; when the care we try to offer is rejected and we feel let down and no good. We need courage when we try to work on behalf of those who are neglected, homeless, poor, and our efforts are destroyed by greed in society. We need courage in the love which cares for people in pain, and we feel helpless and angry on their behalf. Look at the face of Jesus, alive and shining with courage; look at the eyes of Jesus, eyes hopeful with love and friendship, shining with compassion, for you and me; an enduring love which is faithful forever. His endurance won him victory even over death; he will ensure that our endurance will win us ours.*