

BOHERLAHAN & DUALLA NEWSLETTER

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.. We remember in prayer:

Boherlahan

Sat 7 Dec 7.30pm

**Michael O' Dwyer, Ardmayle;
Lily Tuohy, Gaile (Month's Mind)**

Sun 8 Dec 11.00am

**Jerry, Bridget, Tim and Aileen Coffey & dec. members of the
Coffey and Maher families, Ballinree and Nodstown North;
Mary Barry, Freighduff & England. Burial of ashes after mass.**

Mon 9 Dec 11.00pm

John Ryan, Castlemoyle and London

Sat 14 Dec 7.30pm

**Paddy & Nellie Sheehy and dec. members of the Connolly
family, Tobberadora**

Sun 15 Dec 11.00am

Louise Spearman, Cashel

Mon 16 Dec 7.30pm

Bridget (Dill) Dwyer, Ballytarsna

Tue 17 Dec 9.00am

Eileen O Gorman, Bawnmore

Dualla

Sat 7 Dec 6.30pm

Dan & Alice Troy, Garraun

Pray for: Della Power, Carrick-On-Suir; Colin Bergin, Rosegreen and Tipperary (former curate in this parish); Noreen Dargan, Ballybeg, Littleton who were interred recently; Stephen O' Dwyer, Bawnmore & dec. members of the extended family (Mass has been offered)



Today is the second Sunday in the season of **Advent**. 'During Advent, the Christian population relives a double movement of the Spirit. On one hand, it raises its gaze to the final goal of pilgrimage in history, which is the glorious return of the Lord Jesus; on the other, recalling his birth in Bethlehem with emotion, it bends down before the crib. The hope of Christians is directed to the future, but always remains well rooted in a past event. In the fullness of time, the Son of God was born of the Virgin Mary, "born of woman, born under the law," as St. Paul writes (Galatians 4:4)... We could say that Advent is the time in which Christians must awaken in their hearts the hope of being able, with the help of God, to renew the world' (Pope Benedict XVI). Think of ways this week in which you could cooperate with God's renewal of our world.

Mon 9 Dec is the solemnity of the **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Masses for the feast will be Sunday evening 6.30pm (Dualla) and Monday morning 11.00am (Boherlahan).**

Thurs 13 Dec: Memorial of **St Lucy** (d. 304), virgin and martyr.

Fri 14 Dec: Memorial of **St John of the Cross** (1542-91), priest and doctor of the Church. He was a Carmelite priest, poet, and spiritual writer.

Holy Communion Ministers (on duty next weekend)

Boherlahan: Marie Ryan; Nora Moloney & Mary Coman

Dualla: Ann Barry Ward; Marion Gleeson



Christmas Confessions: A visiting priest will hear confessions in Boherlahan Church on Monday 16 December commencing at 7.15pm. Confessions will be heard in Dualla on Saturday evenings 14 & 21 December after vigil masses.

Spiritual Preparation for Christmas. The Archdiocese has launched a programme to help us in our spiritual preparation for Christmas called 'Listening to God's Word in Isaiah during Advent.' Our second gathering takes place next Tuesday night in Boherlahan Parish Hall at 8pm. We will reflect on the Readings for the 3rd & 4th Sundays of Advent. We invite you to come along and share faith with us. Everyone is welcome.

Boherlahan Dualla Christmas Carol Service: Thursday 19 Dec at 7.00pm. Practices will be held 5 & 12 Dec. This is always a night of great rejoicing, friendship and happiness.

Christmas Priests Collection: The Christmas Priests Collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. We sincerely thank the many generous people in our parish who are so loyal in supporting these collections.

Christmas Party: Our Christmas Party is on Sunday 8 Dec commencing with Mass at 1.30pm in the parish hall, Boherlahan, followed by dinner, music and song. We look forward to meeting all our senior people in the parish and celebrating Christmas with them.

Parish Envelopes and Annual Financial Report: During the coming weeks, the Annual Financial Report, Parish Calendar and Collections Envelopes will be distributed to the homes of the parish. The bundles of envelopes are available in the sacristy this weekend (Dualla) and next weekend (Boherlahan) for the members of the Parish Councils to collect and distribute. Our sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who contribute to our parish and all who help in the preparation and distribution of the envelopes.

Visitation of the Sick: Hospitals and nursing homes are no longer permitted to provide priests with a list of parishioners who are their patients or residents. This is due to the new law called General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). If you have a family member in a hospital or nursing home who would like a visit from a priest, please contact either priest of the parish (see telephone numbers at the top of the newsletter).

Vocations to Priesthood/Religious Life: Are you called to be "A herald's voice in the desert" preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood contact: Fr Joe Walsh 086-7714888 or your local priest.

Advent at Glenstal Abbey 2019: A series of talks on the Sundays of Advent (December 8 & 15). Venue: Monastery Library – Glenstal Abbey at 4.30pm. Speakers: Dr Jessie Rogers, Luke MacNamara OSB, Cuthbert Brennan OSB

Community Website: This week www.boherlahandualla.ie has photos from last Sunday's GAA fundraising auction. We would like to receive notices, reports and photos about any events going on in the parish: not just for current information but also as a record for posterity. We are very grateful to our regular contributors. Please send whatever you can to editor@boherlahandualla.ie.

Boherlahan NS Parents Council: Cake sale in Boherlahan on Sun 8 Dec after 11am mass. It will be held in the school this year. All donations of cakes and support appreciated.

The Ardmayle Heritage Society: Copies of 'Stories in Verse' by Philip Ryan are still available at shopping outlets in Cashel or from any member of the Society. Price €10. The perfect Christmas gift for a family member friends away from home or friends overseas. Thank you for your support.

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.