***Offertory Collection:***

Sunday 13th: €955.



Thanks for all your

contributions

and also for the priest’s Harvest collection.

Late donations can still be handed in.

**Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter**

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**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 20th September 2020**

###### Masses for the Week

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| **Saturday, September 19th.** | **8.00pm** | **Mary Ivers, Althbawn.** |
| **Sunday, September 20th.** | **9.30am**  **11.30am** | **For all the People. (*Live Streamed on Bohola Post Facebook Page).***  **Michael Reddington, Tuam (1st Anniversary).** |
| **Wednesday, September 23rd.** | **10.00am** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Friday, September 25th.** | **8.00pm** | **Michael Mulderrig & deceased family, Althbawn.** |
| ***Mass will be celebrated privately on other weekdays.*** | | |
| **Saturday, September 26th.** | **11.00am**  **8.00pm** | **Annie McNicholas, Lismirrane (Month’s Mind).**  **John (George) Aitken,** **Dromintee & Barleyhill.** |
| **Sunday, September 27th.** | **9.30am**  **11.30am** | **For all the People. (*Live Streamed on Bohola Post Facebook Page).***  **T.J. Roache, Tooromeen (Month’s Mind).** |
| ***The 9.30am Sunday Mass will be Live Streamed on the Bohola Post Facebook Page every Sunday.*** | | |

***Recent Death:*** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of *Mary Bourke (nee Lyons)*, London and formerly of Ballyglass, who died suddenly on Tuesday, September 8th. May she rest in peace.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, September 20th:*** The 500-year old Ignatian Examen is a daily prayer of review - a short reflection back over the day, recalling events and taking note of your feelings. The purpose is to discern the ways in which God has been present to you, the times when the Holy Spirit was drawing you towards life. Taking about 15-20 minutes, this simple, life-changing prayer has five steps: (1) Pray for light to understand and appreciate the past day. (2) Review the day in thanksgiving. (3) Review your feelings in the replay of the day. (4) Choose one of those feelings (positive or negative) and pray from it. (5) Look toward tomorrow. Suitable for people of all Christian denominations, this wonderful prayer can be accessed at [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie/)**.**

***“Seek the Lord While He is Still to be Found…”*** While seeking Him in prayer and the sacraments, listen to Him. Could it be you are being called by Jesus to serve as a priest, religious sister or brother? If you think He may be offering you this grace, speak to your local priest, or call your Diocesan Vocation’s Director, ***Fr Paul Kivlehan, The Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen. Tel. 094-9860011, Mobile 087-3683535, Email pkivlehan@achonrydiocese.org.*** Alternatively, email the National Vocations Office on *info@vocations.ie*.

***St Vincent de Paul Collection:*** The local branch of St Vincent de Paul holds its annual collection at this time of year. In the past it was taken up at the church door on a given weekend at each Mass. Because of Covid-19 regulations, that method of collection is not possible this year. Instead, envelopes are available in the church porch and at exit doors. If you wish to make a contribution, please put it in one of these envelopes and return it with the offertory donations over the next few weeks. It is likely that there will be a greater demand on the services of the St Vincent de Paul this year due to loss of employment or drop in income among some families, another consequence of Covid-19. Please be as generous as possible.

***Totus Tuus Magazine:*** Due to the Covid-19 Outbreak *Totus Tuus* magazine is now being delivered straight to your door. If you would like to start receiving *Totus Tuus* to your home then please phone Fiona at 086-8760058.

***Are You or Your Family Affected by Drugs or Alcohol Abuse?*** Moving Parents and Children Together (M-PACT) supports families to work together, helping to build better coping strategies. A free and confidential nine week programme starts on Saturday, 17th October, in the Northside Community Centre. If interested or would like further information, please contact Philip on 085-8759319 or email [*sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com*](mailto:sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com).

***Free Online Living Well Programme:*** The next programmes commence on *Tuesday, 22nd September* from 10.30am to 1.00pm or *Thursday, 1st October* from 7.00pm to 9.30pm. (Limited places).If you are living with a long term heath condition, you may be interested in doing the ‘Living Well Programme’. This is a six week programme delivered in 2.5 hour weekly sessions where you will learn new skills to manage your health condition on a day to day basis. You must register in advance as places are limited to 10/12 participants. Please note, you do not have to disclose your health condition on the programme. Please contact Olga on *086-6078950* or email: *olga.maguire@mayocil.ie*. You can find out more information on the programme on our website: *www.hse.ie/livingwell*.

***Bohola Post:*** The deadline for submission of material to the 2020 edition of the Bohola Post is Friday, October 30th. Get your articles and/or pictures in as soon as possible by emailing [*boholapost@gmail.com*](mailto:boholapost@gmail.com). We can only take submissions this year by email due to the Covid-19 situation. More help is always needed so if you can assist in any way with the "Post" please contact us by email. Any help will be welcome.

***Moy Davitts 50/50:*** Congratulations to Gerry Thornton, Foxford on winning €322 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw. A huge ‘thank you’ to everyone who supported last week's draw, it is greatly appreciated. Tickets are available in the usual retail outlets and by clicking [*https://smartlotto.ie/Bohola-moy-davitts*](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fsmartlotto.ie%2FBohola-moy-davitts%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR2-SMSQVJnLPM1gbMk8VYcVq5QSNWsE5b18UD-SHwPhuifGrX08SNDlJc8&h=AT0MiLZlj4q4DBPOl03vVXSokuVERXZawyK8tGPOdkMD6iUtbbGAIDrP1wUMXoHHwBpf8OCfEYLll7lUaWyYzni7elqLyyDX1hxrkiRT4iLddt75pWrUPCYemDN43SvOspaI&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT1bnP92vRmesJAH-zh16Oyc956taFyWxM0_3VLfj4QSf9SmpZw5cpQ61Vc5tvJdChYPj7SPty0LDMmT-1CuL0y1Dj6Ia-SpXR1Lif8cNpBMb3zmcNd83NlOLtCy4LEd6sxibGw9D72uG7DGqfgmtrvFR5ZcIPXTwnc_aJIQcIYHHlU6GWM4y_sHX7uH). Best of luck everyone and thanks again!

***Affordable Live-in Homecare*** provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087-9916791 or 087-7440729. Our website is [*www.alhomecare.ie*](http://www.alhomecare.ie/)*.*

***Computer and Business Course in Swinford:*** Swinford VTOS,Further Education Centre, Dublin Road, Swinford is currently seeking applicants for their Computer and Business course which is due to commence in September 2020. The course which leads to a QQI award at level 5 provides unemployed adults with the opportunity of returning to education, updating their skills and improving their employment prospects. The Course is free and adults who are over 21 and in receipt of social welfare for at least 6 months are eligible for the course. Participants aged under 26 may be entitled to the maximum jobseeker’s rate of €203 per week. Childcare support is also available. For further information, contact Emer at 086-0610009 or email [*emermullins@msletb.ie*](mailto:emermullins@msletb.ie)*.*

***Mayo Recovery College:*** Do you want to learn more about mental health? Have you experience with mental healthchallenges? Are you a family member/supporter or health professional? If yes then join the *Mayo Recovery College* this Autumn/Winter at our free online interactive audio/video classes. Log onto [www.recoverycollegewest.ie](http://www.recoverycollegewest.ie/) for our Prospectus. Please contact Karen McHale, Principal Recovery Educator at 086-0294901 or email [*recovery.educatormrc@hse.ie*](mailto:recovery.educatormrc@hse.ie) to register.

***Are You Looking to Get Back to Work?*** Our "FREE Re-Start Programme in Sligo" could be for you. Location: CMD Training Institute, Collooney, Co Sligo. This is a *Back-to-Work programme for women over 35* who have been out of the workforce for 3 years or more. Build your confidence, re-discover your strengths and abilities, practice interview skills, prepare your CV and learn how to job search effectively. In this exciting programme you will be guided through a series of training workshops and 1-1 coaching sessions. Please contact Brenda Donagher on 087-6858550, [*www.ruralenterpriseskillnet.ie*](http://www.ruralenterpriseskillnet.ie/) for more information, dates and to book. See also [*https://www.ruralenterpriseskillnet.ie/training/restart-a-programme-for-women/*](https://www.ruralenterpriseskillnet.ie/training/restart-a-programme-for-women/).

***COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:***ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am to 8pm. The contact number is ***0818-222024***.

Unequal Opportunities

***Jesus does not see things as we do. Time and time again in his parables, he turns our expectations upside down and helps us to see things in a different light.***

***Today, he tells the story of the landowner who pays the same wages to all his workers – those who were hired at the crack of dawn and those who only joined late in the day. Naturally, the ‘early birds’ are put out by this – they feel it is unjust, even though they received the wage they were promised.***

***Maybe we sympathise with the complainers. In our individualistic society, we can fall into the trap of thinking that only certain people deserve good things. Those who work hard, who are law-abiding, who make the most of opportunities – they deserve a decent standard of living. Think of how often we hear people complaining about those who are struggling, saying they do not deserve assistance or ‘handouts’? Such criticisms fail to take into account that not everyone has the same opportunities or privileges in life.***

***But in this parable of Jesus, the landowner treats everyone the same, regardless of their productivity. He recognises that not all of them had the same opportunity – some were just luckier than others, in the right place at the right time. God is just and generous, and he expects us to have the same respect for everyone, regardless of their position in life.***

***Sadly we do not live in an equal world where everyone’s dignity is respected and everyone has equal opportunities. In this Season of Creation, we are mindful in particular of the world’s poor who suffer most as a result of environmental destruction – damage that is often caused by the comfortable lifestyles of others.***

***‘Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference, that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live. The poor and the earth are crying out.’ (Pope Francis, Laudato Si’) •***

**Tríona Doherty (Intercom)**

***What’s the difference between ignorance and apathy?***

***Don’t know. Don’t care.***