***Offertory Donations:***

This Week: €570.



Thanks for all your contributions to both the Offertory and to the priest’s Easter collection.

Late contributions can still be handed in.

**Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter**

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**Third Sunday of Easter – 18th April 2021**

###### Masses for the Week

**Masses listed below will be live-streamed on the *Bohola Post Facebook Page* and broadcast locally on *Radio 105.5 FM*.**

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| **Sunday, April 18th.** | **10.00am** | **Tom & Margaret Kenny and deceased of Kenny & Early families. Pat & Mai Kenny and son-in-law, Marty Ansbro.** |
| **Tuesday, April 20th.** | **8.00pm** | **Alfie Carroll, Treenduff (Month’s Mind).** |
| **Wednesday, April 21st.** | **7.00 – 9.00pm** | **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (private prayer).** |
| **Friday, April 23rd.** | **8.00pm** | **For all the People.** |
| ***Mass will be celebrated privately on other weekdays.*** |
| **Sunday, April 25th.** | **10.00am** | **For all the People.** |

***Online Mass Readers:*** Despite lockdown restrictions, it is permissible to have a reader or any other essential helpers present at privately celebrated or online liturgies. It is desirable to have a different voice so this is a continuing open invitation to anyone who would like to read at Mass to give your name to any member of the Pastoral Council (which includes the priest!). If there is a sufficient number, a rota can be arranged for the remainder of the lockdown.

***Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:*** Please note that because of the extra hour of brightness in the evenings, the time for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will now run from **7.00 to 9.00pm** on Wednesday evenings.

***Trócaire Boxes:*** If you haven’t already done so, please return your Trócaire Box as soon as possible. Money in envelopes can be returned in the same way as offertory envelopes. It is not advisable to leave boxes containing money visible in the church. Thanks to those who have already returned their donations.



***Mass for Vocations Sunday:*** Bishop Paul Dempsey will celebrate the Vigil Mass on Saturday next, 24th April at 8.00pm in the Cathedral for Vocations Sunday. We invite you to join and pray with us via the Cathedral webcam for vocations within Achonry Diocese. See it at [*www.mcnmedia.tv*](http://www.mcnmedia.tv/) or [*https://achonrydiocese.org/cathedralwebcam/*](https://achonrydiocese.org/cathedralwebcam/).

***Priesthood in Achonry Diocese:*** Third Sunday of Easter — April 18th, 2021 …. *“We can be sure we know God only by keeping his commandments.”* Jesus makes Himself known to you through the vocation He chose for you. Do you hear a call to the priesthood or consecrated life? Speak to your local priest, call your Diocesan Vocation’s Director or email the National Vocations Office on *info@vocations.ie*. For further information contact our Vocations Director, **Fr Paul Kivlehan, The Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen, Co. Roscommon. Tel.094-9860011, Mobile 087-3683535, E-mail** ***pkivlehan@achonrydiocese.org***.

***Galilee Spirituality Centre Online: In the Age of the Spirit:*** Four conversations for Eastertide, Tuesdays, 7.30 to 9.00pm. All Welcome. Booking and Zoom link: *info@galilee.ie*. €5 donation.

*Rev Dr Ruth Patterson, OBE. The Beloved Community – An Endangered Species?* Tuesday next, April 20th: Ruth Patterson is a Presbyterian minister, and since 1988 has been Director of Restoration Ministries, a non-denominational, Christian organisation committed to peace and reconciliation in Northern Ireland. Ruth was the first woman to be ordained as a minister in Ireland. She has authored four books and many articles stemming from her commitment to unity and peace.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, April 18th:*** *Earth Day: Care for our Common Home*… April 22nd is Earth Day. Now the largest secular observance in the world, it is marked by more than a billion people every year as a day of action to change human behaviour and create global, national and local policy changes. Churches worldwide back this movement wholeheartedly. The Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM), created in 2015, was the combination of two transformative events that would shape how the Church and humanity responded to the ecological crisis: the ‘Laudato Si’ encyclical release and the Paris Climate Agreement. For Earth Day news and resources, visit [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

***Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw:*** Congratulations to Karen Dunne on winning €380 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Saturday morning. . 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).

***Armchair Azure Tours in Mayo:*** Mayo County Council Arts Service in partnership with local arts venues is delighted to announce Armchair Azure, a new series of free Dementia Inclusive Friendly virtual visual art tours. For those living with dementia, the virtual visual art tours are an accessible way of engaging with art online. Tours are one hour long and are guided by a trained dementia inclusive facilitator who will guide participants through a selection of visual artworks while actively encouraging conversation and responses to each work. People are welcome to share the tour with a family member, a friend or a carer. Contact Katriona Gillespie at Mayo County Council Arts Service at *mayoarts@mayococo.ie* or phone *094-9064666*. We will be happy to answer your questions. Tours will take place at 11am on the following dates: April 19th and 26th, May 04th and 17th and June 07th.



***Living Well*** is a free online group programme delivered over six workshops (2.5 hrs x 6). It is delivered by trained leaders, most of whom are also living with a long-term health condition. You will develop self-management skills and confidence to live well with your health conditions.*Next programmes commence on Thursday, 22nd April, Tuesday, 18th May and Wednesday, 26th May.*

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 Liam Gildea on *087-3490393* or by email at *liam.gildea@mayocil.ie**.* Please see the following link for more information about the course: [www.hse.ie/livingwell](http://www.hse.ie/livingwell).

***Scripture & Spirituality Conference 10th - 11th July 2021:*** “To love is to be *transformed into what we love*. To love God is therefore is to be *transformed into God*.” - *St. John of the Cross*.

This year’s conference focuses on St. John of the Cross and his life changing teachings of how love can transform each and every one of us. Through six thought-provoking talks, each of us can learn how to become beacons of light to greater reflect Christ and offer hope to a world in much need of healing. This year, we have been blessed with 6 renowned speakers, authors and experts, who will help bring St John’s teachings to life and transform how we grow in our love and spirituality. For more information, see *https://www.carmelite.uk.net/conferences-and-events/scripture-and-spirituality-conference/*.

***COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:***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***.

***Covid-19 Collect and Deliver Service:*** Local Link Mayo is offering a collect and deliver service in existing Local Link routes throughout Mayo from pharmacies and local shops, delivering shopping and critical medical supplies to the elderly, the vulnerable and sick. If you need such support or know someone who does, contact Local Link Mayo on ***094-9005150*** between 9:00am and 5:00pm (M-F) or email *mayo@locallink.ie*.

***Just a Thought***

**An old man was travelling through India and was boarding a train one day, and just as he was going inside, one of his shoes slipped off and got caught on the track. He tried to pull it but could not. People standing near watched him. When he was unable to pull the shoe from the track, he took off his other shoe and threw it on the track right at the spot where the first one was stuck.**

**The astonished passengers were confused by his actions and asked, “Why did you throw your other shoe onto the track.” He replied, “If a poor man or woman finds the first shoe, they are no better off, but they are better off if they find a pair of shoes that they can wear.”**

**What did he do? He did not let the loss of the shoe mar his clarity of thinking. Rather, he weighed the situation, and came up with a brilliant idea. If he couldn’t use the shoe, then someone else should get the help. Even in the loss, you can be generous and caring. He thought he could use this as an opportunity to make a contribution to some poor person who might need shoes. If he were attached to his shoes, then his whole train journey would have been caught up in the web of anger, despair and hopelessness. This would have completely drained him. By releasing his shoes, he could give them up and move on. He could spend the rest of his time in productive thoughts, instead of sulking over what could not be regained.**

**Take this story and use it to be extra kind to those around you today and it will make a big difference to them and to you.**

***My wife apologised for the first time ever today.***

***She said she’s sorry she ever married me!***