***Offertory Donations:***

Sunday 8th: €535.



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**Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter**

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**Fifth Sunday of Easter – 15th May 2022**

###### Masses for the Week

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| **Saturday, May 14th.** | **8.00pm Vigil** | **James & Mary Hall, Knockatemple.** |
| **Sunday, May 15th.** | **9.30am*\* Shraheens***  **11.30am*\* Bohola*** | **Nan & Martin Foy and their son, Mattie, Ara.**  **For all the People.** |
| **Monday, May 16th.** | **10.00am** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Tuesday, May 17th.** |  | **No Mass.** |
| **Wednesday, May 18th.** | **10.00am gg**  **7.00 – 9.00pm** | **John & Florrie Campbell and John & Agnes O’Brien. *…...….(Adoration follows until 11.30am)***  **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.** |
| **Thursday, May 19th.** | **10.00am** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Friday, May 20th.** | **10.00am** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Saturday, May 21st.** | **8.00pm Vigil** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Sunday, May 22nd.** | **9.30am  *Shraheens***  **11.30am*\* Bohola*** | **For all the People.**  **Kathleen Mullahy, Barleyhill. (Month’s Mind)** |
| ***The 11.30am Sunday Mass will be live-streamed on the Bohola Post Facebook Page every Sunday.***  ***Any other Masses are put online when requested. (Marked with \* above)***  ***All Bohola Masses will be broadcast on the 105.5 FM Radio channel.*** | | |

***40th Anniversary Thanks:*** My sincere thanks to all those responsible for the presentation made to me at last Sunday’s Mass to mark the 40th Anniversary of my ordination (June 2021) – a little later than was intended but as was pointed out last Sunday, it was in keeping with my own time-keeping habits! Fear of omitting somebody prevents me from mentioning names but one person I didn’t thank on the day was Teresa Flaherty whom I didn’t know at the time was responsible for the absolutely beautiful and symbolic artwork on the encased reflection presented. The words and the way in which they were presented will be forever treasured. I am also most grateful to all those who organised and helped with the refreshments and goodies afterwards which made for a very pleasant social gathering. All of it is greatly appreciated.

As I am “still only a young fella”, I hope to be around for another while! Thanks again to one and all…..**Stephen**

***Priesthood in Achonry Diocese:*** The Lord asked his disciples to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Have you the courage to respond to God’s call? Contact our Vocations Director, **Fr Paul Kivlehan, The Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen, Co. Roscommon. Tel. *094-9860011*, Mobile *087-3683535*, E-mail** [***pkivlehan@achonrydiocese.org***](mailto:pkivlehan@achonrydiocese.org)or contact any local priest for more information.



***Achonry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock*** takes place this *Sunday, 15th May*. This year we will be joined by the Clonfert and Galway Dioceses. Anointing of the sick is in the Basilica at 2.30pm. Concelebrated Mass is also in the Basilica at 3.00pm, followed by Benediction and Rosary Procession.

***Day Retreat of Prayer & Reflection*** on St Joseph & Brother André Bessette takes place on Saturday next, May 21st in the Father Peyton Centre, Attymass. Refreshments are at 11.00am, followed by a Presentation at 11.30, Lunch at 1.00pm, and Time for Prayer from 2.00 to 4.00pm. It will be led by Fr Steve and Fr John. Booking is essential, please telephone *096-45374*. Suggested donation is €15.

***The All-Ireland Rosary Rally*** will be held at Knock Shrine, in association with the Fr Peyton Centre, on Saturday, 4th June, commencing at 1.30pm. The itinerary will include Talk, Rosary, Stations of the Cross and Mass. The main celebrant will be Archbishop Jude Okolo, Papal Nuncio to Ireland. Homilist will be Bishop Michael Duignan. Rosary talk is by Fr Marius O’Reilly. All are welcome.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, May 15th:*** *Centring Prayer with Thomas Keating….* “Silence is God’s first language. Everything else is a poor translation.” These are the words of the American Trappist monk, Thomas Keating, who died in 2017 at the age of 95. He developed a method of silent prayer, which he called “centring prayer”. The website of the global Contemplative Outreach movement, which he founded, provides many resources for the method and practice of this kind of prayer, which Fr Keating saw as a movement beyond conversation with Christ to communion with Christ. Access this valuable website and watch a marvellous interview with Fr Keating at: [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

***Mayo Stoma Support Meeting*** will be held next Thursday, May 19th at 7.00pm in the Ellison Hotel, Castlebar. Jackie Lynott from the Living Well Programme for people living with long term health conditions will be in attendance. Please text JJ on *(087)2300580* if attending as numbers are needed for the hotel.

***Anam Cara Mayo***, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday, 24th May at 7.15pm in the TF Royal Hotel, Castlebar. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We now also offer an online support service. Please contact us on [*info@anamcara.ie*](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or *085-2888888* for any queries. For more information see [*anamcara.ie*](http://anamcara.ie/).

***Staff Required:*** Cheshire Ireland is looking for care support staff to work in their Mayo services. Staff must have FETAC level 5 in care or social care qualification and a full driver's license. Contact: *julie.mcnicholas@cheshire.ie*.

***Rural Social Scheme Vacancies:*** There are currently vacancies on the Rural Social Scheme in the Kiltimagh / Bohola / Midfield area. The Rural Social Scheme provides a supplementary income for low-income farmers and fishermen/women. To participate in the scheme you must be 25 years or over **and** getting Farm Assist **or** if you are actively farming or fishing you may qualify for the scheme if you are also getting one of the following welfare payments: [Jobseeker's Allowance](http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/1057_Jobseekers-Allowance.aspx), Jobseekers Transitional Payment, [Disability Allowance](http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/da.aspx), [One-Parent Family Payment](http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/278_One-Parent-Family-Payment.aspx), [Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension](http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/Widowers-Pension-Contributory.aspx) or Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension, Increase for a Qualified Adult under 66 years of age as part of your spouse, cohabitant or civil partner's [State Pension (Non-Contributory)](http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/248_State-Pension-Non-Contributory.aspx). If you are eligible but do not wish to participate in the RSS, your dependent spouse, civil partner or cohabitant can take the place.

Please contact Caroline on *087-2107385* for further information.

***Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw:*** Congratulations to the Byrne Grandchildren, Bohola who won a jackpot of €425 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Saturday. 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).

***Claremorris Musical Society Presents..*** Claremorris Musical Society is absolutely delighted to present its fifteenth production, the fabulous ‘SISTER ACT, THE MUSICAL’ in Claremorris Town Hall Theatre from Thursday, May 26th to Sunday, May 29th at 8pm nightly. Tickets are available from [*www.townhall.ie*](http://www.townhall.ie) or by calling *089-4034362*.

***GROW Meetings:*** GROW is a self-help group helping people suffering from depression, stress, anxiety, panic attacks, loneliness, shyness etc. Meetings are held every Tuesday night at 8.00pm in Ballina Community Centre. All welcome.

***North West STOP*** offers a *free counselling* service with no waiting lists. Call or text *086-7772009* to arrange an appointment.

***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/).

***Sunday Missals:*** A couple of Sunday Missals are still available in the sacristy for Ministers of the Word.

***Trócaire Boxes*** can still be handed in. Thanks to those who have already contributed.

***Focus on Today’s Gospel***

*Jesus spent a lot of his time after the resurrection reminding the disciples of what he had said and done in his public life. His main reminder was ‘that he would suffer, be put to death and be raised from the dead’. Other times he reminded them of everything in the Scripture about him. He brought them back to places they had known before with him. He was jogging their memory so that their faith in him would grow.*

*Reminders about the best of life are ways of being grateful. It is good to remind ourselves often of the good things in our life, past and present: people who loved us and whom we loved, support and help at bad times, good family times. Gratitude gives joy and energy to life.*

*This can help us see what is good now. Pope Francis, talking to young people in Panama, (January 27th 2019) said: ‘And do not forget, you are not the tomorrow, you are not the ‘meantime’, you are the Now of God”. God works for us and within us today. We can be grateful for the past, be confident of his care and protection in the future and open ourselves to receive him daily in different ways. The Holy Spirit, soon to be celebrated, is the One who reminds us of this risen love of God.*

Donal Neary SJ. (editor Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus tells us that learning to love is more important than loving to learn. I can know all the rules about road safety, and still be selfish, and rude, with no thought for others. We learn to love with words like please, thank you, I am sorry, can I help, putting others first. We ask The Spirit of God in us to help. *(Liam Hickey)*

***Brain cells die, skin cells die, even hair cells die.***

***But FAT CELLS must have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour***

***because they seem to have eternal life!***