***Offertory Donations:***

This Week: €580.



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**Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter**

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**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 7th February 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, February 7th.** | **10.00am** | **For all the People.** |
| **Wednesday, February 10th.** | **6.00 – 8.00pm** | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (private prayer). |
| **Friday, February 12th.** | **8.00pm** | Jack McDonnell, Toughnane (Month’s Mind). |
| *Due to Covid-19 restrictions Mass will be celebrated privately on other weekdays.* |
| **Sunday, February 14th.** | **10.00am** | **Berney McGeever & his parents, Catherine & Bernard, Carragolda.****Francie & Tommie Sheridan & their sister, Mary O’Sullivan (née Sheridan), Ardgullen & UK.****Nora Lavin & her husband Jim, Altinea.****Pat, Annie & Frank Costello and Emily Molloy, Shraheens.** |

***Recent Deaths:*** Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of the following:

*Charlotte Warde*, Derrincloura, Islandeady, mother of Kathleen Jordan, Altinea, who passed away on this Friday, February 5th.

*Delia Rice (née Stephens)*, Islandeady, mother of Tina Galligan, whose funeral took place in Islandeady on Sunday last.

*Seán Montgomery*, Lisnaskea, Fermanagh, brother of Bernie Horan, Carragowan who passed away on Sunday last, January 31st.

*Phil Lundy*, sister of Madeline Horan, Carraward who passed away recently in Altrincham, Manchester.

*Mary Catherine O’Leary (née Howley)*, Chicago and formerly of Carragolda, who passed away in Chicago on Thursday, January 28th. She was the sister of Jerome Howley.

We extend sympathy to their families and pray they are at peace.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, February 7th:*** “Let’s begin with an important question: ‘Where are you?’ This is God’s first word to Adam in Genesis: God strolling in the Garden, looking to chat with Adam and Eve. ‘Where are you?’ It wasn’t an accusing question, but an anxious one, full of love and concern.

“God asks us the same question regarding death: Jesus came to destroy death, to make of it an in-between moment rather than a terminal darkness. Can you trust in the divine promise: ‘I will come and take you to myself....’? Are you sceptical? Uncertain? Agnostic? Honestly admitting you just don’t know?”

Brian Grogan SJ has written widely on the topic of life after death. He gave four excellent talks on the subject at the end of last year. To access these recordings, and other wide ranging spiritual resources, visit [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

***Priesthood in Achonry Diocese:*** *“Everyone is looking for You.”* Is your search for the Lord leading you to a vocation to the priesthood or diaconate 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***.

***Western Care's Virtual Candlelight Evening Fundraiser 2021:*** We wish to invite you to join Western Care’s Virtual Valentine Candlelight Evening – live streamed via our Facebook page. This is a FREE event on Saturday, 13th February, from 8pm until 10.30pm. Music and chats with some much loved national and local guests, including Daniel O’Donnell, Nathan Carter, Mike Denver, Sandy Kelly, Tommy Fleming, plus many more local artists. Please see our Facebook page for further details: [*https://www.facebook.com/westerncareassociation/*](https://www.facebook.com/westerncareassociation/). Organised on behalf of Western Care by the Valentine Candlelight Ball Committee. Raffle will run in conjunction on the night with some very generous prizes. Thank you for your support.

***Have You Room in Your Home? Have You Room in Your Heart? Home Sharers Required:*** Would you be interested in sharing your home and supporting a person with additional needs, for a few hours per day, a couple of days per month, or long-term. We are looking for single people, couples, married people and/or families to provide short or long-term respite for children or adults. If you are interested please contact Western Care Association, Social Work Dept. on 094-9025133.

***Bealach Nua:*** We are a recovery-oriented family peer support service which offers families/friends of people with mental health challenges an opportunity to engage with family peer supporters through individual, group work, wellness days and information evenings. Further information or to access the service, please call 094-9049392, Fran on 086-0450835 or Noel on 087-9749288.

***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***.

***Online Donations to the Parish:*** Many thanks to parishioners who have been dropping in their envelopes for the weekly offertory and other collections. Your continuing generosity in these difficult times is greatly appreciated.

It is now possible to make a contribution to the weekly offertory collection or other collections online should you wish to do so through the diocesan website *www.achonrydiocese.org*. On logging into the website, simply click the link to online donations and how to make a donation is explained there. You will be asked to select an amount you wish to donate, whether this is a one off donation or one that you wish to repeat at an interval you select. You will select your parish and enter your details including Name, Email and Envelope Number if you have one and supply your credit card details. The site is secure and your credit card details are not retained or known to the parish or diocese. If you include your email address, a receipt will be emailed to you to confirm your contribution and to keep for your own records. Your donation will be forwarded directly to our parish account. If you are interested in this method of payment, take a look at the website and see what you think.

***Knock Shrine Online Faith Discussions During Lent:*** Ash Wednesday falls on 17th February and heralds the beginning of Lent 2021. This year Knock Shrine will host a new series of online discussions to help engage Christians during Lent, under the title *'Living Christian Faith - Lenten Conversations'*. Chaired by Father Eamonn Conway DD, Priest in Tuam diocese and Professor of Theology at Mary Immaculate College, the conversations will explore a different theme each week and guest speakers will discuss some of the important questions we all face in living out our faith.

The discussions will be streamed online via the Knock Shrine website offering people from all over the world the opportunity to engage in relevant topics and to hear from a range of people, from those in public life to groups of young teachers and members of the clergy. The talks will be streamed at 8.30pm every Thursday during Lent. Join us at [*www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live*](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live) or on *Facebook @knockshrine*.

The first talk on Thursday, 18th February, *'Living Christian Faith in the Family'*, will be given by Patrick and Linda Treacy, who have four children and run a centre for domestic spirituality, called ‘Integritas’, from their home. They will speak about the joys and challenges of living Christian Faith as a family today.

***Continuous Rosary in Ireland for Peace and Charity*** begins on Ash Wednesday, 17th February. The idea is simple - a continuous Rosary will be offered up every minute of every day for PEACE and CHARITY in Ireland. There needs to be a minimum of 2 parishioners per parish, one with surname beginning A-L and one with surname M-Z, who will pray the Rosary, at a set time, twelve times per year. It is however hoped that many families from each parish will be involved. Every parish in Ireland has a date and time allocated to it, the same for every year. ***Bohola’s date is the 1st of every month*** and you can check out the specific times at [*http://www.continuousrosary.com/*](http://www.continuousrosary.com/). It would be appreciated if you could get family and friends overseas involved.

For those of you who may like to pray the Rosary every day, and promote it to others, please visit [*www.1in10rosary.ie*](http://www.1in10rosary.ie), an initiative under the spiritual leadership of Archbishop Eamon Martin, Primate of All Ireland.

***Galilee Spirituality Centre: February Events:*** *Embracing Wholeness, Finding Holiness – Online Lent Retreat with Ms Dympna Mallon:* Part 1: Recorded material available on Monday, 15th February on [*https://www.galilee.ie/online-programmes/*](https://www.galilee.ie/online-programmes/). Part 2: Gathering on Zoom, Saturday, 20th February, 10.30am-1.00pm. We will reflection on the importance of our wholeness as human beings in our search for holiness - how every part of our person and experience is essential to our journey towards holiness. In this Lenten context we will explore the idea of repentance and the part it can play in healing our woundedness and giving us hope. Cost €25 (waged). All welcome. Booking *info@Galilee.ie*.

Dympna Mallon works with marginalised communities to engage and empower them to respond to the climate emergency and the values of Pope Francis' Laudato Sí. She is a PhD student at St Patricks College, Maynooth with a broad experience in pastoral work. She is passionate about empowering people in their faith.

*Caring for our Common Home: Coming together with Laudato Sí (Pope Francis’ letter to the world on the environment)* presented by Ms Jane Mellett, Laudato Sí Officer, Trócaire.Connection: The Big Picture of the Web of Life (February 16th). Action: Getting down to Working for our Future (February 23rd). A short presentation will be followed by questions and a facilitated discussion,7.30 – 8.30pm via Zoom.Co-hosted by the Galilee Spirituality Centre, Pastoral & Faith Development Services (Diocese of Elphin) and Trócaire.Booking: *info@galilee.ie*.

***Part-Time Certificate in Religious Education (Primary):*** St Angela’s College, Sligo, invites applications for the following course, beginning Autumn 2021: *Part-Time Certificate in Religious Education (Primary) with Online Delivery*. The course is open to qualified primary school teachers and qualified post-primary school teachers who wish to transfer to primary school teaching. Parents, sacramental preparation teams and parish catechists who have a specific interest in the area of primary religious education may also apply. Closing date for Applications is Friday, 14th May. This date may be extended. For further information and application forms, contact Mary Kearns, Senior Administrator, School of Education, St. Angela’s College, Lough Gill, Sligo. Email *mkearns@stangelas.nuigalway.ie* or visit *www.stangelas.nuigalway.ie*.

***Free Online Living Well Programme:*** The next programmes commence on *Friday, 26th February, Tuesday, 9th March, Thursday, 25th March, Tuesday, 6th April and Friday, 9th April.* on the zoom platform. Limited places. If you are living with a long term health 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 Liam Gildea on *087-3490393* or by email at *liam.gildea@mayocil.ie*. You can find out more information on the programme on our website: [*www.hse.ie/livingwell*](http://www.hse.ie/livingwell).

***Do not read the next sentence.***

 ***You little rebel. I like you!***