**Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter**

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**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 19th July 2020**

###### Masses for the Week

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| **Sunday, July 19th.** | **10.00am** | **Michael Sweeney, Bohomore (1st Anniversary).*****(Private Mass Live Streamed on Bohola Post Facebook Page)*** |
| **Monday, July 20th.** |  | **No Mass.** |
| **Tuesday, July 21st.** | **11.30am** | **Senior Citizens in Parish Church. For all the People.** |
| **Wednesday, July 22nd.** | **10.00am** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Thursday, July 23rd.** | **10.00am** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Friday, July 24th.** | **8.00pm** | **Private Intention.** |
| **Saturday, July 25th.** | **8.00pm** | **Tom & Mary Mulligan & deceased of Mulligan & Corcoran families.****Noreen Moore, Clooneen & deceased of O’Brien & Moore families.** |
| **Sunday, July 26th.** | **9.30am****11.30am** | **For all the People.****Private Intention.** |
| ***From Sunday, July 26th, the 9.30am Sunday Mass will be Live Streamed on the Bohola Post Facebook Page.*** |

***Welcome Back!***

*It’s a relief and a pleasure to be finally in a position to welcome you back to Mass in our church from next Tuesday onwards. By then it will have been 129 days since the last public Mass in the church, no doubt the longest such spell in the church’s 156 year history.*

*As you can see from the timetable above, the provisional schedule outlined in last week’s newsletter is now confirmed. That this is possible is due to the number of volunteers who have come forward. Our thanks to all those who attended last Wednesday’s training meeting and to those who couldn’t attend but who have offered their services. We are particularly indebted to the Pastoral Council whose work behind the scenes has got us to this point.*

*While it is great to be welcoming people back to church, it is not in the way we would like. The threat of COVID-19 still looms and necessitates the consequent restrictions imposed. You will be familiar with most of these already and if not, they will be obvious from the guidelines on the opposite page. These may seem overly detailed and prescriptive but everything is designed so that you can return to church in as safe an environment as possible.*

*Coming back to church for Mass will be different for the moment and we ask for your continuing patience, understanding and co-operation. So, welcome back and we wish you and all your loved ones good health and every blessing as we tread warily but a little more optimistically into the future.*

***Ministers of Communion Meeting*** will take place in the church on Wednesday evening next, July 22nd at 7.30pm. All Ministers are asked to attend. Physical distancing to be observed.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, July 19th:*** The late, great John O’ Donohue wrote that “The greatest sin is the unlived life”. In a powerful one-hour talk, he urges the need to enter fully into our own lives, becoming all that we are capable of becoming – so that “when the time comes for us to lie down and die, we will be able to look back on a life that took honourable risks, that pushed its own frontiers, that tried to look after its own healing…that was compassionate, that didn’t judge, and that tried to look after the poor and neglected, the unspoken for.” Listen to this compelling recording at: [*www.newpilgrimpath.ie*](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie/).

***The AGM of Bohola Community Park*** will take place on Sunday, 16th August at 7pm in The Community Centre, Bohola. Due to social distancing guidelines, all attendees will have to adhere to the regulations. Therefore, entry will be on a first come, first served basis. Seated attendance only. No standing. There will also be a one way system in operation. Entry will be through the main front door. New volunteers always welcome.

***Moy Davitts 50/50:*** Congratulations to Veronica Burke, Bohola, on winning €381 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 [*http://bit.ly/MoyDavitts50-50*](http://bit.ly/MoyDavitts50-50). It might be you !!!

***Offertory Envelopes:*** New boxes of envelopes for the year ahead are now available to collect in the church. New contributors and anyone left out in error from the old list will receive envelopes on request. Renewed thanks for your ongoing generosity.

***Guidelines for Returning to Mass***

***Before you Arrive***

* Where possible, check your temperature. If you have a high temperature, please do not come to Mass.
* If you feel any way unwell, please stay at home. Mass will continue to be live streamed on Sunday mornings.
* Consider coming to a weekday Mass instead of Sunday. The Sunday obligation remains suspended.
* If you are medically vulnerable, use your own good judgement to decide when it is best to return to Mass.
* The advice is to bring a face covering/mask to wear during Mass.
* Please come to church in good time so that long queues at the last minute can be avoided.

***When You Arrive***

* Please observe physical distancing of 2 meters at all times both inside and outside the church.
* Queuing may be necessary. Follow the directions of the stewards and they will show you to your seat. It will not be possible for people to choose their own seat.
* Entrance is by the back door only.
* Sanitise your hands on entering the church.
* Because of physical distancing, only 24 pews will be in use. People from the same household can sit together. Maximum capacity is 50 people.
* Offerings/offertory envelopes can be placed in designated boxes behind the back seat and middle seats.

***During Mass***

* Practice good cough and sneeze etiquette at all times (into sleeve or tissue).
* Toilets will remain locked. Should you need to use the toilet, contact the stewards who will have a key.
* No physical Sign of Peace to be exchanged during Mass.
* In order to minimise movement and maintain physical distancing, Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass.
* Leave your seat only when directed by the stewards. Leave nothing behind on your seat. Newsletters, tissues etc. to be taken home.
* Maintain the 2 meter physical distance in the Communion line.
* Communion to be received on the hand only. No Communion on the tongue.
* Stewards will then direct you to the nearest exit door.
* Please sanitise your hands on the way out.

***After Mass***

* Do not congregate outside the church doors.
* In the event of an overflow because of the limited capacity, you will be able to listen to Mass via the external speakers and will be invited by the stewards to enter the church to receive Communion. Parking near the speakers will be reserved for those who may have to remain outside.

*A short video on what will happen when we return to church is available to watch on* [*www.achonrydiocese.org/return*](http://www.achonrydiocese.org/return)*toworshipinfo. All parishioners are encouraged to watch this video.*

***Helplines***

**ALONE COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:** ***0818 222 024*** (Every day, 8am to 8pm).

**Society ofSt*.* Vincent de Paul:** Call ***(091) 563233*** or email ***info.west@svp.ie*** or visit our website at [***www.svp.ie***](http://www.svp.ie/).

**COVID-19 Collect, Deliver & Transport Service:** Contact Local Link Mayo on ***094-9005150 / 086-0293278*** or ***mayo@locallink.ie***.

**St. John’s Ambulance Mayo Division Volunteers*:*** Contact Michael Corrigan on ***087-3392528***.

**COVID-19 Community Outreach Champion:** Caroline Wilson, ***086-2899296*** or ***wcaroline79@gmail.com***.

**The Mayo Council HELPLINE** is open from 8am-8pm 7 days a week ***094-9064660***.

**ACCORD COVID-19 Relationship Support Line:** Free and confidential on ***01-5313331 / 028-95680151 / 01-9059555***. The lines are open from 9.00am to 8.00pm Monday to Friday.

***They said a mask and gloves were enough to go shopping.***

***They lied, everybody else had clothes on!***