***Offertory Donations:***

Sunday 15th: €1,000.



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**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – 22nd August 2021**

###### Masses for the Week

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| **Saturday, August 21st.** | **11.00am*\****  **8.00pm Vigil*\**** | **Funeral Mass of Mary Horan (née Connolly), Ballyvary.**  **Eileen & James Tierney, Ardgullen, & Tommy Quinn.** |
| **Sunday, August 22nd.** | **9.30am*\****  **11.30am*\**** | **For all the People.**  **Annie McNicholas, Lismirrane (1st Anniversary).** |
| **Wednesday, August25th.** | **10.00am**  **7.00 – 9.00pm** | **Private Intention.**  **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (private prayer).** |
| **Friday, August 27th.** | **8.00pm*\**** | **John & Jim Muldoon and deceased family, Rathruane.** |
| ***Mass will be celebrated privately on other weekdays.*** | | |
| **Saturday, August 28th.** | **8.00pm Vigil*\**** | **Betty Mulhern, her husband, Tom & daughter, Mary, Lisgorman.** |
| **Sunday, August 29th.** | **9.30am*\****  **11.30am*\**** | **Margaret & Tom Kenny, Derrinogue, their daughter, Margaret & her husband, Tony Dempsey.**  **T.J. Roache, Tooromeen (1st Anniversary).** |
| ***The 9.30am 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 Masses will be broadcast on the 105.5 FM Radio channel.*** | | |

***Recent Deaths:*** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of *Mary Horan (née Connolly)*, Barrack Road, Ballyvary, wife of the late Michael Horan, Carroward, who died on Thursday last, August 19th and whose funeral took place in Bohola this Saturday with burial afterwards in St Joseph’s Cemetery. May she rest in peace.

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of *Denis Richards*, Exeter, England, who died recently and whose funeral took place in Exeter on Wednesday last, August 18th. He was the brother-in-law of Noel and John Colgan. May he rest in peace.

Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the soul of *Nora Sheeran (née Deacy)*, Luton, Bedfordshire and formerly of Carragolda who died recently and whose funeral took place in Luton on Wednesday, July 28th. May she rest in peace.

***Burial of Ashes:*** On Thursday next, August 26th, Mass will be celebrated in St Croan’s Church, Balla at 2.00pm for the happy repose of the soul of Mattie Foy, Ara, who died on February 10th. The burial of his ashes will take place afterwards in the adjoining cemetery. May he rest in peace.

***Medjugorje Pilgrimage (40th Anniversary of Apparition):*** Two pilgrimages are scheduled from 22nd to 29th of September and from 29th of September to the 6th of October. Flights from Knock to Mostar (just 20 mins from Medjugorje) are accompanied by a Spiritual Director. The cost is €765 and includes flights, luxury coach transfers, travel insurance, accommodation and meals. Accommodation is 2 minutes from St James Catholic Church. For further details please contact Anne Keadin on *086-3766293*.

***Leap of Faith***

*Children are often adept at looking beyond the practicalities and seeing the possibilities. When a parent or guardian might only see a messy room in need of tidying, a child sees an obstacle course, a castle, a jungle, a magical fairy forest. It can be refreshing to take a breath and remember that there is more to life than our physical, tangible world with its daily routines and to–do lists. Sometimes, circumstances can leave us blinded to life’s beauty or meaning.*

*In today’s Gospel, some of Jesus’ followers are finding it difficult to see beyond the physical. He has been teaching them that he is the living bread, but it is hard for them to accept. They dismiss it as ‘intolerable language’ and they wonder ‘How could anyone accept it?’ His teachings are too difficult to comprehend and they are annoyed and offended. Some of them even walk away.*

*But Jesus is offering something more than the practicalities, more than physical food or drink: he offers the bread of life, living bread, his very self. It is a difficult message, but Simon Peter gets to the heart of it: ‘You have the message of eternal life, and we believe.’ He is able to see beyond the obvious, to hear the truth at the heart of Jesus’ words. Jesus demands a lot of his followers, who must each decide whether or not they want to follow. Are we ready to make that leap of faith?*

*Tríona Doherty (Intercom)*

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, August 22nd:*** *Art: Shedding New Light on Scripture …*… The ‘Christian Art’ website is the brainchild of Patrick van der Vorst, director of Sotheby’s, London for 14 years, and now studying for the Catholic priesthood in the Diocese of Westminster. Visitors to his site can sign up for a daily email which contains the Gospel of the day and is accompanied by a work of art which is appropriate to that reading, along with a reflection on the artwork and the reading. ‘We simply give you the tools for you to meditate on the daily Gospel alongside a work of art’, he says.

Simple, it may be, but the results can be astonishing. The often surprising art choices – ancient and modern, paintings, sculptures, installations, furnishings - and his imaginative commentary achieve at times the almost impossible: bringing the shock of newness to scripture passages long blunted by familiarity. Learn more at [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

***Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw:*** Congratulations to Ulick Burke on winning €603 in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Saturday evening. 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).



***Computer and Business Course in Swinford:*** Swinford,Further Education Centre, Dublin Road, Swinford F12 DC93. Swinford VTOS is currently seeking applicants for their Computer and Business courses due to commence in September 2021. The courses which lead to QQI awards at levels 4 & 5 provide unemployed adults with the opportunity of returning to education, updating their skills and improving their employment prospects.

The courses are free and adults who are over 21 and in receipt of social welfare for at least 6 months are eligible to apply. 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)*.*

***TFI Local Link Mayo Services*** are currently operating at 75% capacity due to Covid regulations. Pre-booking is recommended. Contact *094-9005150* or visit [*https://locallinkmayo.ie/time-table*/](https://locallinkmayo.ie/time-table/) for more information about services in the area.

***Homecare Assistants Required:*** Myhomecare are currently searching for enthusiastic and qualified homecare assistants to work with our clients in Swinford, Bohola, Kiltimagh, Foxford and surrounding areas. Applicants must hold a FETEC/QQI level 5 pre-nursing studies or equivalent qualification, a driving license and access to their own vehicle. All applications will be treated with complete confidentiality. You can contact us for more information by emailing [*SMcDonnell@servisource.ie*](mailto:SMcDonnell@servisource.ie) or calling *042-9368366* or freephone *1800 400900*.

***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/).

***Guided Nature Tours for Heritage Week:*** Enjoy a free guided nature tour of the beautiful gardens and grounds of the National Museum of Ireland at Turlough Park, Castlebar, during National Heritage Week 2021. These tours take place on **Saturday, 21st August** at 1pm, 2pm and 3pm; and **Sunday, 22nd August**, at 2pm, 3pm and 4pm. Booking is required. Email [*educationtph@museum.ie*](mailto:educationtph@museum.ie) to book your place.

***Free online Living Well Programmes in September:*** *Living Well* is a free online group programme delivered over six workshops (2.5 hrs x 6). It is delivered by trained leaders on the Zoom platform. You will develop self-management skills and confidence to live well with your health conditions.*Next programmes commence on the following days in September: Thursday 9th, Monday 13th, Tuesday 21st and Wednesday, 29th.*

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*](mailto:liam.gildea@mayocil.ie)*.* Please see the following link for more information about the course: [*www.hse.ie/livingwell*](http://www.hse.ie/livingwell).

***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***.

***Smile Awhile***

*A husband comes home from church; he greets his wife and lifts her up. He then carries her around the house. The wife is so surprised and she asks, "Did the bishop preach about being romantic?"*

*The husband replies, "No, he said we must carry our burdens and sorrows."*

After the church service, a little boy told the pastor: "When I grow up, I'm going to give you some money." "Well, thank you," the pastor replied, "But why?" "Because my daddy says you're one of the poorest preachers we've ever had."

*A mother was giving instructions to her three children as she sent them into Sunday school, "And, why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" Her son quickly responded, "Because people are sleeping!"*

***Tradition is just peer pressure from dead people!***