***Offertory Donations:***

Sunday 22nd: €905.



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**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 29th August 2021**

###### Masses for the Week

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| **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).** |
| **Wednesday, September 1st.** | **10.00am**  **7.00 – 9.00pm** | **For all the People.**  **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (private prayer).** |
| **Friday, September 3rd.** | **8.00pm** | **Private Intention.** |
| ***Mass will be celebrated privately on other weekdays.*** | | |
| **Saturday, September 4th.** | **11.00am*\****  **8.00pm Vigil*\**** | **Michael Mallee, late of Shanaghy.**  **Josie Reddington, Carroward.**  **Kathleen Cryan, Lismirrane (7th Anniversary).** |
| **Sunday, September 5th.** | **9.30am*\****  **11.30am*\**** | **For all the People.**  **John & Bridie Malee, Shanaghy.** |
| ***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 *Noel Walsh*, Edgeworthstown, father of Ms Margaret Fleming, Bohola N.S., who died on Wednesday last, August 25th and whose funeral took place in Edgeworthstown on Friday last. May he rest in peace.

Once again we remember and keep in our prayers, *Mattie Foy*, Ara, whose burial of ashes took place following Mass in Balla on Thursday last, August 25th. May he rest in peace.

***Requiem Mass*** will be offered on Saturday next, 4th September at 11.00am for the happy repose of the soul of *Michael Mallee* who died in France on June 6th last. He was the son of the late Pete and Tilly.Mallee, Shanaghy. May he rest in peace.

***Baptism:*** On Saturday last, August 21st, we were delighted to welcome *Tomás Micheál McNicholas*, Lismirrane, into God’s family. Congratulations to his parents, Thomas and Noreen, his godparents and wider family circle and we wish them every blessing for the future.

***The Season of Creation 2021*** runs from September 1st (the World Day of Prayer for Creation) to October 4th (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi). In recent weeks many of us have been overwhelmed by the alarming UN report on climate change. The UN Secretary General, António Guterres, described it as a *‘*[*code red for humanity’*](https://www.irishtimes.com/news/environment/code-red-for-humanity-un-secretary-general-responds-to-climate-report-1.4642695). Pope Francis in *Laudato* *Si’* calls faith communities to respond and reminds us that *“All is not lost. Human beings… are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start… [embarking] on new paths to authentic freedom.”* (LS, 205). The forthcoming Season of Creation is a wonderful opportunity to do just that. The theme for this year’s season is **“Restoring Our Common Home”.**

We are also encouraged to sign the [*Healthy Planet Healthy People*](http://www.thecatholicpetition.org/) petition. This petition has been endorsed by the Vatican as the **key advocacy action** for Catholics for the Season of Creation 2021. It is aimed at COP26 – the UN Climate Conference due to take place in Glasgow in November – and calls for urgent action from world leaders in addressing the environmental crises our world faces today. As Pope Francis will attend COP26 in Glasgow, this global Catholic petition will help to create the momentum needed to affect change. You can find the petition at the following link: [*www.healthyplanetandpeople.org*](http://www.healthyplanetandpeople.org/).

***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*.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, August 29th:*** *Spiritual Exercises for Mental Health …*… The Jesuits in Britain, creators of the wonderful Pray as you Go website, have devised seven mental health audio exercises designed to encourage, in God’s presence, prayerful awareness of any feelings of unease or distress. These short exercises last no more than eight minutes. They address addiction, aging, anxiety, depression, grief, insomnia and loneliness. It is hoped that they will be helpful for anyone using these sessions who might be struggling at the moment. To access these and other rich online spiritual resources, visit [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).



***Back to School:*** As a new school year begins, we wish students at all levels of education but particularly in our own Bohola National School, their families, teachers, school staff and Board of Management every good wish and blessing for the year ahead. We pray that all will go well and that despite all the Covid restrictions still in place, all centres of education will be happy and safe places for everybody. Our thoughts are also with this year’s Leaving Cert students and we trust they will be the recipients of good news later in the week!

***Moy Davitts 50/50 Draw:*** Congratulations to Betty Byrne on winning €321 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).

***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*.

***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***.

***Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel***

*Certain sections of the Jewish people put great store on the importance of rules and conventions as a measure of the goodness of a person. Jesus challenges this view. Where have you seen goodness in unconventional people? What brought it home to you that being a good person meant more than getting appearances right?*

*Even fidelity in religious practice is not enough. ‘This people honours me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.’ How have you experienced the importance of carrying your faith beyond attendance at Mass on Sundays? When have you seen that in others? What brought this home to you?*

*What Jesus seeks are followers whose faith is whole-hearted and warm, people whose religion is not seen primarily in dutiful observance but in enthusiasm for life and care for one another. It is good to be with them. Give thanks for the people you know who are like that.*

*‘It is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come.’ It is also from within that good intentions come. We have choices. When have you been faced with the choice between good and evil? When did you realise the importance of accepting responsibility for your own life and choices? How has this helped your growth as a person? ~* John Byrne OSA ~

***Some students drink at the fountain of knowledge. Others just gargle!***

*~ E.C. McKenzie ~*