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**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 14th 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 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.** |
| **Wednesday, February 17th.** | **8.00am**  **6.00 – 8.00pm** | Mass for Ash Wednesday (For all the People).Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (private prayer). |
| **Friday, February 19th.** | **8.00pm** | Nigel Mullahy, New York & Barleyhill (Month’s Mind). |
| *Due to Covid-19 restrictions Mass will be celebrated privately on other weekdays.* | | |
| **Sunday, February 21st.** | **10.00am** | **Mary Healy, Gortnasella.**  **Johnny & Nora Byrne, Toughnane, daughter Mary & son-in law, Vincent.** |

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

*Mattie Foy*, Ara, who passed away on Wednesday last, February 10th. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

*John Ryan*, Treenfoughnane, who passed away on Wednesday last, February 10th and whose funeral took place in Kiltimagh on this Saturday, 13th.

*Sheila Carroll (Nee Barry*), Luton, London, wife of the late Tom Carroll, Treenduff, who passed away on Thursday, 4th February.

*Gerry Higgins*, Australia and formerly of Roslevin, brother of the late Martin and Pete Higgins, Roslevin, who passed away on Tuesday last, February 9th.

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

***Ash Wednesday*** is this coming Wednesday and of course marks the beginning of **Lent**. The ashes are a reminder of the sackcloth and ashes used as a sign of penance in the Old Testament. It also reminds us of our own mortality, that one day we will return to dust. This year, it will look quite different but obviously carries the same meaning. The ashes will be blessed during the online Mass at ***8.00am*** and then be available for parishioners to collect (in an envelope) in the church during the day. You can also take a copy of prayers to say at home and then sign one another with the ashes as part of one household.

***Trócaire Lenten Campaign*** this year focuses on the suffering of people who have lost their homes and loved ones to war, and how they are rebuilding their lives through love, friendship and solidarity. There is particular reference to South Sudan where conflict and poverty are a reality for many families. Find out more by visiting [*https://www.trocaire.org/*](https://www.trocaire.org/).

*Trócaire Boxes* are available from this weekend and can be collected in the church. Donations can also be made online. Please make whatever sacrifice you can to help *Trócaire’s* great work throughout the world.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, February 14th:*** The season of Lent gives us a heaven-sent opportunity to reflect prayerfully on the unprecedented events of the last 12 months. We have been challenged, individually and collectively, in ways no-one could have imagined. Successive lockdowns have confronted us with the question of whether we want to go back to how things were, or to ‘grow back better’.

Starting on Ash Wednesday, Pray-As-Your Go – in partnership with the global online prayer phenomenon, Sacred Space – offers a Lenten online retreat. 'Growing Back Better' encourages us to reflect on what kind of people we truly desire to become and what kind of world we hope to pass on to future generations. There is a new session for each of the seven weeks of Lent. For this, and for other excellent online Lenten resources, visit [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

***Priesthood in Achonry Diocese:*** ***“Do everything for the glory of God.”***Your vocation is to give glory to God through your very being. Is He choosing you to be a priest or consecrated religious?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***](mailto:pkivlehan@achonrydiocese.org).

***Covid-19 Collect and Deliver Service:*** Helping people to stay at home is the new role of Local Link Mayo rural transport services. Local Link Mayo is offering a collect and deliver service in existing Local Link routes throughout Mayo from pharmacies and local shops, delivering shopping and critical medical supplies to the elderly, the vulnerable and sick. If you need such support or know someone who does, contact Local Link Mayo on ***094-9005150*** between 9:00am and 5:00pm (M-F) or email *mayo@locallink.ie*.

***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***.

***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. To access the service, please call *094-9049392*, Fran on *086-0450835* or Noel on *087-9749288*.

***Knock Shrine Online During Lent:*** This year Knock Shrine offers a series of online opportunities for prayer and reflection.

*Awaiting a New Dawn’* Join us online each Friday evening during the month of February as we come together virtually for a period of extended prayer and reflection. Join us live online from 7pm for Rosary, the celebration of the Eucharist and a Holy Hour from Knock Parish Church. See *www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live* and our Facebook page.

*‘Exploring the Word of God through Prayer’ Scripture Reflections:* Every Tuesday night at 8pm Knock Shrine will show a series of online night prayer with reflections on scripture. Students from St Louis Community School, Kiltimagh, will deliver this series of talks inspired by Scripture. These young people will take their favourite passage of Scripture, something that speaks to them and reflect on it through video, providing their own written narrative and imagery. We are inviting people to join us for these online talks, to end the day in a prayerful and peaceful way and to enjoy a quiet time of reflection through various aspects of Scripture. To join, simply log on to *www.knockshrine.ie* at 8pm each Tuesday evening.

*'Living Christian Faith - Lenten Conversations'*. 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. ***Bohola’s date is the 1st of every month*** and you can check out the details and 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*](mailto:info@galilee.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*](mailto: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).



***Keep your marriage fresh by writing each other love notes like,***

***“I considered smothering you with a pillow last night, but didn’t.”***

***Happy Valentine’s Day!***