***Offertory Donations:***

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**Bohola/Shraheens Newsletter**

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**Third Sunday of Lent – 7th March 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, March 7th.** | **10.00am** | **Martin McNicholas, Ballyglass & deceased of Brennan & McNicholas families.****Mary Mulhern & her parents, Tom & Betty, Lisgorman.****Mary Walsh, Sheridan Park.****Delia Mulroy, Altbawn.** |
| **Wednesday, March 10th.** | **6.00 – 8.00pm** | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (private prayer). |
| **Friday, March 12th.** | **8.00pm** | Johnny Durkan, Carroward (1st Anniversary), his wife, Mary and his parents, Matt & Mary Lizzie. |
| *Mass will be celebrated privately on other weekdays. The Mass for All the People of the Parish will be offered during the week.* |
| **Saturday, March 13th.** | **8.00pm Shraheens** | **Mattie Foy, Ara (Month’s Mind). *(Live-streamed from Shraheens****)* |
| **Sunday, March 14th.** | **10.00am** | **John & Tom Carroll, parents Tom & Ellen and Chris & Mollie O’Toole.** |

***Recent Death:*** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of *Mary Carney*, Lissaniska Estate, who died on Monday last, March 1st and whose funeral Mass took place in Bohola on Wednesday last with burial afterwards in Dundalk. May she rest in peace.

***Pastoral Message from the Bishops of the Western Province:*** Bishops from the six dioceses in the Province of Tuam have published a pastoral message in which they reflect on the impact of Covid-19 on the parish communities in the West of Ireland, one year on from the appearance of the pandemic in Ireland. Among other things, they comment on the restrictions on public worship and they recommend that the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation be postponed until the autumn – unless the Covid- 19 situation improves significantly in the meantime.

Looking to Easter this year, the bishops said, “God’s love for us is revealed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, who shared our human condition, with all its joys and sorrows. As his disciples today, we can have confidence in his promise to be with us always, even to the end of time. During this season of Lent, He walks the way of the cross with us and we journey in hope towards the joy of sharing in his Resurrection which, one way or another, we will celebrate together at Easter.”

Some copies of the full bishops’ letter are available at the back of the church or can be read on our diocesan website, *achonrydiocese.org*.

***Praying at Home During Lent:*** The dioceses of Elphin and Clonfert have prepared some online resources for praying at home during Lent. They are available on our diocesan site *https://achonrydiocese.org/lent2021/*.

***Trócaire Lenten Campaign:*** In South Sudan right now, two brave mothers urgently need your support and your love this Lent to keep their families from being lost to war, hunger, and poverty. And as you’ll come to discover, Awut and Ajak have already sacrificed so much just to survive. To flee brutal armed conflict in South Sudan, Awut and her beloved family walked through a war zone. Days passed with no food or water. By the time they reached safety, they’d lost nearly everything. Then Awut met another weary mother with even less. Opening her heart to Ajak and her family, Awut shared all she had left.

So many amazing people – children, women, and men – have been displaced from their homes since war in South Sudan began battering her citizens a decade ago. They are resilient, kind, and hardworking. But achingly poor. When violence erupts they must run for their lives with only the clothes on their backs. All while the threat of Covid continues. With the help of your Lenten donation we’ll rush emergency relief and lasting solutions through incredible local partners, so families like Ajak and Awut’s can build a stronger tomorrow. Your Lenten donation will also help other families like Ajak and Awut’s in more than twenty countries where Trócaire works with your kind support. So please give if you can.

***Priesthood in Achonry Diocese:*** “We proclaim Christ crucified…the power and wisdom of God.” (1 Cor 1:22-25). Could Jesus be calling you to proclaim His life, death and resurrection, to bring faith, hope and meaning to life to others, as a priest or in the 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***.

***New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, March 7th:*** *Daily Acts of Love for Lent* **-** 'Our lives will not be measured by the big things we do but rather by the little steps we take to make a difference. Each day during Lent, take a step with us and together we will change the world.' ‘Acts of Love for Lent’ offers a daily action to be taken for the good of our environment. This inspiring resource was developed by Bonnybrook parish, Dublin. The parish was officially recognised by Eco-Congregation Ireland (ECI) in 2020 as an eco-aware parish. This concern for the earth and all with whom we share it is reflected in many of the proposed actions. ECI encourages churches of all denominations to take an eco-approach to worship, lifestyle, property and finance management, community outreach and contact with the developing world. Access ‘Acts of Love for Lent’ and other excellent Lent resources at: [***www.newpilgrimpath.ie***](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

***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* continues every Tuesday night at 8pm with reflections on scripture led by students from St Louis Community School, Kiltimagh. 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. The next talk on Thursday, 11th March, *'Living Christian Faith in Public Life'*…… Baroness Nuala O'Loan and Senator Ronan Mullen discuss their own faith, how it informs their public service and the challenges people of faith encounter in the public sphere today. Join us at [*www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live*](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live) or on *Facebook @knockshrine*.

***Galilee Spirituality Centre - Hope Springs… Spirituality for Lent, 2021:*** Three Tuesdays (March 9th, 16th & 23rd), 7.30-9.00pm via Zoom €5/evening. All Welcome.Booking and link: info@galilee.ie.

**March 9th- Elizabeth Davis RSM -** *Metanoia: Return to God, to Earth, to One Another and to Self – Lent lived fully in this pandemic time*. Elizabeth Davis, the congregational leader of the Sisters of Mercy of Newfoundland, has been a teacher and a health care administrator. She holds a doctorate in Scripture and teaches Old Testament at Queen’s College in St. John’s, NL.

***The 2021 Western People Martin Sheridan Bursary Awards Scheme*** is now open for applications. €5,000 in funds is available to support athletes from Co. Mayo. Further details and application forms are available by emailing *martinsheridanbursary@gmail.com*. Closing date for completed application forms is **April 16th.**

***Age Action’s Getting Started KIT:*** Now more than ever it is important to have internet skills and to keep in touch with family and friends so Age Action is offering 5 hours of free remote tutoring by phone / video call to help older people use their smartphone, computer, tablet or ipad. The programme called Getting Started KIT takes place in your own home at a time that suits you and includes a free guide. For further information, call *01-4756989* or e-mail *gettiingstarted@ageaction.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***.

***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*.

***If we run out of doctors and nurses we may need to use vets.***

***Have you seen how they take temperatures?***

***Stay home and be safe!***