

Parish of Botha 28th August 2022

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Parish Office Hours	
Monday	6:30pm – 9:30pm
Wednesday	1:30pm – 9:30pm
Thursday	6:30pm – 9:30pm
Baptisms: on the 1st Saturday of each month at 4pm in St Patrick's, Derrygonnelly	
Parish Office: closed from Wednesday 31st August. Re opening Wednesday 14th September.	

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
The parables of Luke's gospel appear towards the end of Jesus' ministry when some of the crowds are abandoning him, perhaps from fear of the establishment or for reasons of respectability. The 'harsh ones' are a last warning that such a path is the direct opposite to true discipleship which by contrast is portrayed as remaining with Jesus who remains with his followers.		
Sacred Heart, Boho		
Sun 28 August	10:00am	Mass Months Memory: Susan McAfee , Aghahoorin. Anniversary: Gordon and Mary McKinstry , Tullyholvin; Jackie McGrath , Tobradan
Masses for the week, St Patrick's Derrygonnelly		
Sun 28 August	11:30am	Anniversary: Thomas Murphy , Drumanane; Teddy Walmsley , Enniskillen; Susan and Felix McConnell , Knockmore Park.
Tuesday 30 August	7pm	Mass and Novena to St. Peregrine. Anniversary: John McGullion , Rosnarick Close.
Wednesday 31 August	10am	Mass
Thursday 1 September	10am	Anniversary: Leo Griffin and deceased of the Griffin family , Kilduff; Maurice and Agnes Cassidy , Drumgormley.
Sunday 4 September	11:30am	Mass. Anniversary: Anthony McCabe , Sillees Grove.
Immaculate Conception, Monea		
Sunday 4 September	10am	Mass. People of the Parish

One Day Retreats at Lough Derg: One Day Retreats have resumed on Lough Derg, and continue on selected dates until the end of September: **August 28 & 29 | September 3, 7, 10, 13, 17, 18, 24 & 25**. Booking is essential. Admission fee of €45pp includes all refreshments, lunch, return boat service, full retreat programme, free car & coach parking. Boats available from 9.15am on the day; retreat begins at 10.30am. For booking and further information: by phone +353 (0)71 9861518 online: www.loughderg.org email: info@loughderg.org



The Season of Creation has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since Pope Francis established 1st September as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.

Altar Society September: Derrygonnelly – Claire Miller and Teresa Foy.
Collection after 11.30am Mass on Sunday 11th September in St Patrick's, Derrygonnelly.
Boho: Kathleen and Mary McManus; **Collector:** John Jones.

This week's Bulletin is sponsored in memory of Teddy Walmsley, Enniskillen

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Popes intention for September: For the abolition of the death penalty we pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

A Student's Prayer at the Beginning of School Year

We give you praise, O God,
for everything that is new and beautiful,
for everything which holds promise and brings us joy.

Bless us as we start this new year with our friends and teachers
Help us to make the most of every chance we have to start afresh.
May we show love to one another and to all.
May the new beginning of this school year remind us
that you give us chances to start over again and again.

Help us to forgive others as we receive your forgiveness.
Help us to learn and to work together.
Help us to listen when we should and to know the best words when we speak
and when it is better not to speak.

We thank you for our friends.
Help us to be good friends this year.
Help us to be patient with ourselves and with others.
Bless our school and keep us safe.
Be with us as we travel each day.

Help us to be aware of your love shown to us in the people around us.
Bless all those who care for us in school and at home.
Help us show our care for them and
to say sorry when we need to.

May the Blessed Mother Mary protect us
and help us to live as well as we can
Giving thanks and glory to God as she did
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

New School Year: pupils in St. Patrick's P.S. return to the classroom on Thursday 1st September. Killyhommon P.S. welcome their P1 pupils on Wednesday 31st of August, with everyone returning on Thursday 1st September.

Synodal Pathway: The National Synthesis document of the Synodal Pathway, incorporating the fruits of the initial listening phase here in Ireland, including the consultations in our diocese, was published recently and is now available on the homepage of www.clogherdiocese.ie. Pope Francis has called a worldwide Synod of the Church to take place in Rome in October 2023. We continue to include the Synodal Pathway in our prayers as we prepare to discern in a more in-depth way the various questions and the pathway forward for the Church here in Ireland and across the world over the coming months and years.

Six weekly meditation/contemplative sessions: from Saturday 20th August in St. John's Hall, Rosstown at 11am. Take some time out to create a space for spiritual growth. In these informal one-hour sessions a brief guided meditation is followed by a thirty-minute silent contemplative sit to help us still our minds and become more aware of the Divine. Tea/Coffee at end of session. Any queries contact Olive at 00 353 87 7846789

Botha to Kenya: Thank you to all who donated to the Botha to Kenya fundraiser. €1500 was sent to Sr Clare.

Cash For Clobber at Killyhommon PS: The Cash for Clobber scheme is aimed at raising awareness of textile recycling among children and to show how essential it is for everyone in the 'developed world' to reduce, reuse and recycle and in return the school receives a payment for the clobber. If you have any unwanted items of clothing or shoes you would like to donate to Cash for Clobber, please drop them over in large bin bags to Killyhommon PS and leave them in the school shelter before Tuesday 30th August. Thank you for your support

Derrygonnelly Harps GFC: Jackpot £6300. £20 Ronan Jones, Boho, Thomas Flanagan Jnr, Boho, Conan Flynn, Derrygonnelly. Draw in the Linnet Inn tonight Thanks to everyone who supports and promotes the club Lotto.

Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel:

Luke 14:1, 7-14

1. The parable brings out two contrasting experiences, but each in its own way can be a moment of grace, a moment of truth, a moment of growth. You may be able to recall such experiences in your life. In the first (verses 8,9) we discover that we had claimed a place that is too high for us; we are not as selfless, generous or compassionate as we thought we were. In the second (v 10) when others point out a goodness in ourselves that we may not have acknowledged to ourselves. How have you grown through such experiences?

2. In verses 12-14 Jesus warns us against the danger of ulterior motives in doing good. We can do good things partly because of the benefit we will get from what we do. That is natural but can lead to disappointment and resentment when our expectations are not met. When the good deed in itself is our reward, we have a greater freedom. Feedback will be a bonus but not necessary. What does your life experience tell you about this?

John Byrne OSA