

Parish of Botha

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Baptisms: on the 1st Saturday of each month at 4pm in St Patrick's, Derrygonnelly.

Anniversary Masses: to book please Tel: parish Office 028 68641889 during office hours or email office@bothaparish.com

Parish Office Hours:
Monday and Thursday 6.30pm – 9.30pm
Wednesday 1.30pm – 9.30pm

Second Sunday of Easter

(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

The struggle for faith experienced by Thomas leads us to think on the meaning of faith in the risen Christ. We do not depend on physical experience of Christ but know his presence in keeping God's commandments and as a gathered community, in the hearing of the word and in sacramental signs. So the Christian community is a thankful one, always blessing God for a sure hope through the resurrection of Christ.

Masses for the Week

Immaculate Conception Monea:

Sunday 16th April 10am Mass. **Months Memory:** Denis Kelly, Springfield.

Anniversary: James Hoy, Drumcorban and deceased of the McKenna and O'Brien Families.

St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 16th April 11.30am Mass. **Anniversary:** Hugh Foy, Ely Lodge and deceased of the Beatty Family, Blaney; Sonny Haren, Fairview Park.

Sunday 23rd April 11.30am Mass. **Anniversary:** Thomas and Mary B Murphy, Drumanane; Tommy Duffy, Rosnarick Close; Maureen McConnell, Rosspoint; Rose and Pat Greene, Rosnarick Close.

Sacred Heart Boho:

Sunday 23rd April 10am Mass. **Anniversary:** Agnes McHugh, Drumma; Pat McManus and deceased of the McManus Family, Drumaraw and Carngreen; Joe and Bridget Corrigan, Aghamore; Charles McHugh, Drumma.

Divine Mercy Sunday: Will be celebrated in St. Macartan's Cathedral today at 3pm. The celebration will consist of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction; Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary and Veneration of the Divine Mercy image and a relic of St. Faustina. A number of priests will be available for individual confession. Our Lord said to St. Faustina: *"I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in my Mercy"*. Everyone welcome.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A – Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B – Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C – Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that our reception of the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

www.the-divinemercy.org

Trócaire: Please forward your donations in support of Trócaire as soon as possible. Trócaire depends on our support to help alleviate poverty and suffering in the world. Thanking you in advance for your contributions.

Eucharistic Adoration Knock Pilgrimage: Calling ALL ADORERS of the Blessed Sacrament in Clogher. National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on **Sunday 23rd April** Bus leaving Enniskillen at 08.35am, contact Glen 00353 86 827 5437.

This week's bulletin is sponsored in memory of Pat Love, Derryvary.

Prayer to the Risen Christ

Heavenly Father and God of mercy,

we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for He is alive and has become the Lord of Life.

From the waters of death, you raise us with Him and renew your gift of life within us.

Increase in our minds and hearts

the risen life we share with Christ

and help us to grow as your people

toward the fullness of eternal life with you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The unfailing presence of God

Lord, I thank you for being alive in my life and for living within the depths of my soul.

I thank you for being with me through all things and for never abandoning me. In those moments when I do not sense Your presence, give me faith to know You are there.

And fill me with a confident trust in Your guiding hand. Jesus,

I trust in You.

St. Faustina, www.divinemercy.life

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, Our Lady's Shrine, Knock - ~Saturday 22nd April from 9.30am to 5pm – Spiritual Director Fr Vincent Twomey SVD. The Catechism/YOUCAT Workshop will be of interest to those who plan to start/join a Study Group. contact Mairin Ni Shuilleabhain on 00353 877950325 or mairin991@gmail.com. www.catechism.ie

Be Alert: There continues to be fraudulent scams and alerts via telephone calls, emails etc. Please continue to be aware and cautious of any unexpected communication or activities to you and to your vulnerable family members.

Vocations: Evangelisation & Vocations Conference led by Archbishop Rino Fisichella of the Vatican Dicastery for Evangelisation taking place on **25th April** in Renehan Hall, St Patrick's College, Maynooth from 10am - 4pm. The conference will serve as a lead into the **Year of Vocation for Diocesan Priesthood** – *Take the Risk for Christ* – which commences on Good Shepherd Sunday, 30th April 2023. To register for this free conference, please follow the link on the homepage of vocations.ie

Thinking about Priesthood? Why not join us for a Retreat from **21st - 23rd April**, Drumalis Retreat House, Larne. Retreat directed by Fr Stephen Langridge. For more information and to book a place, please email: Fr Raymond Donnelly: raymondtonnelly1@gmail.com

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 7-12 July 2023: Led by Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher. For booking please contact **Mr. John Heuston**, Gave, Macknagh, Crom Road, Lisnaskea, Co Fermanagh. **Tel:** South **048 67724329**/North **028 67724329**. **Email:** john.cdp@btconnect.com. *If you wish to travel in the Assisted Pilgrim section of the Diocesan Pilgrimage, special application forms are available from the Pilgrimage Secretary. Cost €899 pps, full board, including meals and flights. For further information visit www.lourdes2clogher.com*

Pilgrimage to Fatima: Archbishop Eamon Martin is leading a pilgrimage to Fatima from 20th – 27th July 2023. Pilgrims from all dioceses in Ireland are welcome to travel with him. Cost for 7 days is £799/€899 per person sharing. Single room supplement and insurance is additional. For further information contact Joe or Maureen McLaughlin on 02890701606 or 07711808207.

Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel:

John 20:19-31

1. 'Peace be with you' was the greeting of Jesus on meeting his frightened apostles. Who has come to you bringing you peace at times when you were frightened? For whom have you been an agent of peace?
2. Thomas, doubting and questioning, is possibly a person with whom we can identify. What part have doubts and questions played on your faith journey? How has your faith been strengthened by such moments?
3. Note the way Jesus dealt with Thomas. He did not give out because he doubted. He took him where he was and led him along to see the truth of his resurrection. Who has been that kind of teacher for you, gently taking you where you were and leading you on to a deeper knowledge of some truth about life? For whom have you been that kind of teacher?
4. 'Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believe'. That requires great trust. Perhaps you have had the experience of being trusted without having to prove every step along the way. What was it like to be trusted in that way? Who have you been able to trust in a similar manner?

John Byrne OSA

You believe because you can see..... Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.

John 20:29