

# Parish of Botha

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## Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

*The risk for Christians today is that we read the parable complacently, because it clearly refers to Jews and Christians in the first century. But it is not only in the past that the leadership of God's project has changed hands, so to speak. Down through history, more committed groups have challenged the established Church- they can attract by more exciting worship and by a closer living of the Gospel. The hard words of St. Paul to the Gentile Christians in Rome may help to shake us up: for if God did not spare the natural branches, perhaps he will not spare you. (Rm 11: 21).*

## Masses for the Week

### Immaculate Conception Monea:

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 10am Mass **Anniversary:** Jim McAfee and Deceased of the McAfee Family, Aghahoran.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 10am Mass **Anniversary:** Mary Kate and Francie McTeggart, Drumcorban.

### St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 11.30am Mass **Anniversary:** Mary McTeggart, Derryvary; Emily Love, Fairview Park; Brendan McGrath, Mullylusty.

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October Eucharistic Adoration 10am – 7pm.

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 7pm Mass and Novena to St. Peregrine.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 10am Mass.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 10am Mass.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 11.30am Mass **Anniversary:** Sean Ferguson, Manchester ; Sean, Mary and Ingrid McKenna, Main Street and Deceased of the McKenna and Hoy Families.

**Recently Deceased:** Your prayers are requested for the soul of Jamie Thompson, Broughas. May he rest in peace.

Pope Francis has called for Europe to be more creative in a way it responds to the war in Ukraine. The Holy Father insists there is “a need for more prayer, for conversion, and an end to the conflict”, and he “expressed his desire that during the month of October, the Rosary be dedicated to peace and reconciliation in Ukraine.”

### “Blessed are the Peacemakers”

*We pray to You O Lord, through the intercession of Your Most Pure Mother Mary,  
Give to the people of Russia and Ukraine the gift of peace, for you have given us all else:*

*A peace that all of us share in the passion and wisdom that is the Lord Jesus Christ.*

*The peace of the Sabbath, and the peace that knows no evening.*

*Stir up in the hearts and the minds of our leaders and politicians a longing for peace,*

*That brings real joy, and our hearts will be restless no more.*

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**The Synod on Synodality:** began in Rome this week, on the theme: **'For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission'**. The aim of the Synodal Process is to provide an opportunity for the entire People of God to discern together how to move forward towards being a more synodal Church in the long-term. In light of Pope Francis' comment that 'without prayer there will be no Synod', we are all encouraged to unceasingly pray to God over the coming weeks for Pope Francis and for all members of the Synodal Assembly. Let us remember in a special way the Irish participants - Bishop Alan McGuckian, Bishop Brendan Leahy, Sr Patricia Murray, IBVM and recently elected President of the Union of International Superiors General, Sr Mary T Barron, OLA, who are all voting members, and Rev Professor Eamonn Conway (as Expert and Facilitator).



**Bible study: on the Book of Revelation** in St. Michael's Parish Centre, Enniskillen on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm**. Perhaps no book in the Bible fascinates people more than Revelation. Yet relatively few people have studied the book, especially from a Catholic perspective. **Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come** is an intriguing video Bible study with Jeff Cavins that shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven and the celebration of Mass. Free to attend. [smtp.bible@outlook.com](mailto:smtp.bible@outlook.com) or visit: <https://tinyurl.com/4p6vrbkc>

### Prayer of Cardinal Newman Feast Day 9<sup>th</sup> October

May the Lord support us all the day long, Till the shades lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life over and our work is done.

Then in his mercy may he give us a safe lodging, and holy rest, and peace at the last. Amen.

### Boho Community Association

**AGM:** takes place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm. New members most welcome.

**Derrygonnelly and Garrison Day Centre:** Fundraising coffee Morning in Bilberry Restaurant, Garrison on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October 10.30am – 12.30pm. Draw taking place on the day.

**'Pause for Hope':** St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, will host an ecumenical prayer service on **October 15<sup>th</sup> at 3.30pm** for all those whose lives have been touched by cancer. The aim of *Pause for Hope* is to help people who have been affected by bringing together in prayer. Bishop Michael Router, Auxiliary Bishop of Armagh, will lead the service. The preacher will be Archbishop John McDowell, Church of Ireland Archbishop of Armagh, and during the service a person affected by cancer will speak about their experience. Following the service, light refreshments will be provided in the Synod Hall. **Everyone is welcome to attend.**

**Trócaire** is looking for people to join our team of Christmas fundraisers to help respond to the urgent need of poor communities around the world, including the millions of children and families caught in conflict across Ethiopia, South Sudan, and Ukraine. You can take action and make a difference through a range of activities, including the promotion of our Gifts of Change – training and support will be provided. If you would like to find out more about what you can do to help now or over the Advent and Christmas period, email Mark McMahon at [infony@trocaire.org](mailto:infony@trocaire.org) or call 028 9080 8030.

**Derrygonnelly Harps GFC:** Jackpot £7300. £20 Kevin Martin, Derrygonnelly, Cillian Jones, Harps Junior Bs, Aaron Walmsley, Enniskillen. Draw in Old Pals tonight. Thanks to everyone who support and promotes the Harps Lotto. "Easy on the Kneasy" exercise class resumes each Wednesday with Jackie Cassidy at 11am in the Clubhouse. New faces very welcome. Congratulations to Harps members who completed the Fear Managh, and to those who volunteered as marshals etc. It was a very positive event for our community.

**Killyhommon's PTFA Massive Fundraiser!** cookery demonstration by Glen Wheeler from 28 At The Hollow on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October** in Boho Hall at 7.30pm. It will certainly be a night not to be missed! Tickets £15 each. are available from the school Call in, phone, email [amcgahey152@c2kni.net](mailto:amcgahey152@c2kni.net) to keep you a ticket. or Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/714848389777?aff=oddtcreator> Tickets are limited so make sure you don't miss out.

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

Matthew 21:33-43

1. The target audience of this allegorical parable are the Jewish chief priests and elders portrayed here as rejecting Jesus and his teaching and, as a consequence, losing out on what God was offering them. It is a story of opportunity for life presented and rejected, and they lose out in the process. How important have you found it to recognize and accept opportunities for growth, development, and new life when these were presented to you?

2. The parable is also a cautionary tale about the destructive effects of greed-doing violence to the rights of others which eventually destroys the greedy themselves. What attitude towards possessions has helped you to be at peace with yourself and at peace with others?

3. The vineyard of the Lord is an image for God's people. As we look at the vineyard we have been given, we can ask ourselves 'are we good tenants?' Recall times when you have been a good tenant and reached out caring for those around you.

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