

# Parish of Botha

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## Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mission Sunday

*God's people strive for justice, peace and salvation. Their only true happiness will be in God; apart from him, all is nothing.*

### Masses for the Week

#### Immaculate Conception Monea:

Sunday 22nd October 10am Mass **Anniversary:** Dympna Burns, Legnagay.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 10am Mass. People of the Parish

#### St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 22nd October 11.30am **Anniversary:** Johnny Hoy, Mill Green and Deceased of the Hoy Family; Ken Maguire, Caldrum Road; May Walmsley, Killyveagh; John and Margaret Walmsley, Cosbystown.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October Eucharistic Adoration 10am – 7pm.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 7pm Mass and Novena to St. Peregrine **Anniversary:** Jack and Ada Cassidy, Main Street.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 10am Mass. **Anniversary:** Joe Farrell, Derryvarmore; Fergus Farrell, Braade.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 10am Mass.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 11.30am Mass. **Anniversary:** Madeline, Phil and Nancy Maguire, Drumbeggar.

**Baptisms:** Welcome to the Christian world through the waters of Baptism, Saorise Rose Kane, Leo Ciaran McBride and Eloise Charolette Watson. May they grow in faith.



**World Mission Sunday:** World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. It takes place in every single parish worldwide where the Church is present. In Ireland, Missio Ireland is tasked with organising the Mission Sunday collection. Missio Ireland is the Pope's official charity for overseas mission. All offerings made on behalf of World Mission Sunday become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund. This Fund supports missionary activities in over 1100 young dioceses: mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. As young dioceses grow, so do their needs. On top of this, they are often found in remote areas devastated by conflict or natural disasters. The Universal Solidarity Fund provides aid so that missionaries can continue to go to these places to share the love of God.

Your contribution to the Mission Sunday collection:

- provides basic infrastructure by helping communities to build schools, clinics, parish halls and churches.
- prepares the future leaders and carers of the Church by supporting the training of sisters, priests, brothers and catechists.
- supports missionary programmes to care for children's spiritual and physical wellbeing by offering safe shelter, healthcare, education and hope for the future.

For Mission Sunday 2023, Pope Francis has chosen the theme inspired by the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus in the Gospel of St Luke (Lk 24:13-35 "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move").

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**Annual Memorial Service:** for all our dead will take place on Sunday 12th November at 4pm in St. Patrick's Church Derrygonnelly. All the dead will be remembered but in particular those who have died since November last year.

**Knock Shrine:** A new programme of Faith Renewal Events for Autumn-Winter has been launched at Knock Shrine. Further details on [www.knockshrine.ie/support-programmes/faith-renewal/](http://www.knockshrine.ie/support-programmes/faith-renewal/)

## Prayer to Ss Simon and Jude

Feast Day 28<sup>th</sup> October



O God, Who, through Your blessed Apostles Simon and Jude, have brought us to the knowledge of Your name, grant that we may celebrate their everlasting glory by advancing in good works we may celebrate their glory.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,

world without end. Amen.

**Devenish and Boho Parish Church:** Concert with a twist, in the Reade hall, Monea on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm**. Compere Kenny Archer and other guest artists. Admission £10, Children free. Tea served.

**Knit and Natter classes:** resumes in Boho hall on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 7.30pm - 9 pm**. Everyone welcome.

**Come and See – Explore Priesthood** – 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November, St Patrick's College, Maynooth. An opportunity for those who would like to find out more about the real-life experience of priestly life and what seminary formation is like. All who are interested in attending or would like to find out more can email the National Vocations Office on [info@vocations.ie](mailto:info@vocations.ie).

## Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

Matthew 22:15-21

1. The story sees a mixture of religion and politics, a potentially explosive combination. Jesus does not ask us to avoid politics, but that our involvement in the affairs of the world be informed by the perspective of the Reign of God. How does the gospel give you a vision of how your involvement in society should be?

2. Pharisees and Herodians were not natural allies but a shared dislike of Jesus brought them together in an attempt to discredit him. Perhaps you experience the same opposition in society today when you profess to being a Catholic. Jesus did not get into an argument with them but simply professed his belief in the priority of God in his life. What have you found helpful in bearing witness to the fact you are still a Catholic?

3. Jesus recognizes that we can be faced with conflicting claims for attention. He does not tell us how to solve that dilemma but challenges us to make sure that our allegiance to God takes priority. When have you been faced with a conflict of loyalties? What helped you to get your priorities right.

John Byre OSA

**'Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace; teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts and give us the courage to say: 'Never again war!' Amen.'**

**"Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us."**

**Parish Contributions:** If you wish to contribute to the upkeep of the parish through your bank a standing order can be set up or a bank transfer can be made using the following detail:

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**"The Rosary is a prayer that always accompanies me; it is also the prayer of the ordinary people and the saints... it is a prayer from my heart."**

Pope Francis