

Parish of Botha

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Second Sunday of Lent

As Lent progresses, the shadow of the cross begins to loom. Even though the gospel narrates the account of the transfiguration of Jesus, it foreshadows his death and resurrection. The obedience of Jesus is seen to be prefigured in that of Abraham who was ready to sacrifice his only son. God's promise to Abraham is fulfilled in a manner beyond all expectations.

Masses for the Week

Immaculate Conception Monea:

Sunday 25th February 10am Mass. **Anniversary:** Mary Conway, Enniskillen; Deceased of the Duffy Family, Enniskillen; Deceased of the Nolan, Marlow and Rasdale Families, Boho.
Sunday 3rd March 10am Mass. People of the Parish.

St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 25th February 11.30am Mass. **Months Memory:** Kevin McGovern, Doagh.
Anniversary: Joe and Ita Corrigan, Drumary.
Tuesday 27th February Eucharistic Adoration 10am – 7pm.
Tuesday 27th February 7pm Mass and Novena to St. Peregrine.
Wednesday 28th February 10am Mass.
Thursday 29th February 10am Mass.
Sunday 3rd March 11.30am Mass. **Anniversary:** John Curran, Reyfad; Charlie and Teresa Smyth, Main Street; Lucy Flanagan, Drumadillar.

Recently Deceased: Your prayers are requested for the soul of Elizabeth Greene, Mullykivet, May she rest in peace.



Lenten Prayer

O Christ, Son of God,
for our sake you fasted forty days and allowed yourself to be
tempted.
Protect us so that we may not be led astray by any temptation.
Since man does not live by bread alone,
nourish our souls with the heavenly food of your Word;
through your mercy, O our God, you are blessed, and live and
govern all things, now and forever. Amen.

The Novena of Hope at The Graan: Sat (6.30pm) 2nd March to Monday 11th March. Sunday services are 9am, 10:30am, 12 noon and 4:00p.m. Weekdays 12:30pm and 7.30pm except Wednesday 6th March, Mass at 11am and 7.30pm. with Service for the Sick at 2.30pm. Saturday 9th March Mass at 11am and 6.30pm and Service for the Sick at 2.30pm. Telephone 028 66 322272.

Blessed Carlo Acutis: A relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis will be welcomed to the diocese with Mass celebrated by Bishop Duffy at 3pm on **Sunday, 3rd March** in St Macartan's Cathedral. The relic will move to St Michael's Church, Enniskillen on **Monday 4th March**. For further details and times of liturgies go to www.clogherdiocese.ie/carloacutis


Stations of the Cross: will be prayed each Wednesday morning after 10am Mass in St Patrick's.

Clogher to Lourdes Pilgrimage: takes place 5th – 10th July. For more information and booking contact Pilgrimage Secretary: Mr. John Heuston Gave, Macknagh, Crom Road, Lisnaskea, Co Fermanagh Tel: 028 67724329 or Email: john.cdp@btconnect.com If you wish to travel in the Assisted Pilgrim section of the Pilgrimage, special application forms are available from the Pilgrimage Secretary.

Calling all 18 to 30 year olds! Do you want to explore your faith with other like-minded young people in a beautiful and reflective location? Join us for a Retreat for Young Adults at Lough Derg, Pettigo County Donegal on Saturday 27th April 2024 from 10am to 4pm. Refreshments and Lunch provided. This Retreat is organised by The Knights of St Columbanus Omagh and is free of charge. To Register email info@knightsfstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk or visit tiny.cc/loughderg

Clogher don Óige: is currently accepting Expressions of Interest from Young People (16-18 years) who would like to travel to Lourdes as part of the diocesan pilgrimage, 5th-10th July. More details and online form available at www.clogherdonoige.org/lourdes2024



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Dromantine Summer Camp 2024: Registration goes live on Friday 1st March for players (11-16 year olds) and the leadership team (17 plus). Visit our website www.dromantinesummercamp.co.uk to register for more information about camp

Fundraising Whist Drive on Friday 1st March at 8pm in Cashel Community Centre. Supper served with a raffle on the night. This event is supporting The Irish Pilgrimage Trust which brings children and young adults with special needs to Lourdes each year. For further details or to purchase raffle tickets Tel: 086 6039343.

Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel: *Mark 9:2-10.*

1. Some special spiritual experiences are well nigh impossible to describe in words. The Transfiguration was one of these. Jesus had a new and deeper insight into his relationship with his heavenly Father, one that would sustain him through what lay ahead of him. Have you had WOW moments that you found hard to describe to others? How have they sustained you in difficult times?

2. It can be both scary and wonderful; to witness transformation in another, especially a person who is close. At times parents get a taste of this when a child's talent blossoms and is recognised by the child. We may also experience it when a dear friend recognises s/he is in a blind alley and gives up an addiction.

3. 'This is my son, whom I love. Listen to him.' Peter, James and John were particularly close to Jesus, but they were not good at listening to Jesus, especially when he spoke of the painful road of servant discipleship. Jesus is the one we must listen to, even when his message is hard to hear. It is in this message we find life. When have you found this to be true?

4. Strangely this instruction came to the disciples when they were confused and 'in a cloud'. Perhaps you recall a moment of insight coming to you at a time when you were confused. *John Byrne OSA*

Prayer for Guidance: "Heavenly Father, as I embark on this Lenten journey, guide my steps and illuminate my path with your wisdom. May your Word be a lamp to my feet and a light to my soul. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."