

Parish of Botha

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly

The miraculous feeding of a great multitude of people pointed to the remarkable generosity of God and his great kindness towards us. When God gives, he gives abundantly. He gives more than we need for ourselves that we may have something to share with others, especially those who lack what they need.

Masses for the Week

Immaculate Conception Monea:

Sunday 28th July 10am Mass **Anniversary:** Eileen Maguire, Killydrum - Elizabeth Haren, Drumcroohan

Sunday 4th August 10am Mass **Anniversary:** Francie and Teresa Gallagher, Killyveagh

St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 28th July 11.30am Mass **Anniversary:** Gerry and Margaret Dolan, Drumary – Joe, Agnes and Oliver McKeever, Knockmore Park – Robbie and Nan Brogan, Tonagh.

Tuesday 30th July Eucharistic Adoration 10am – 7pm

Tuesday 30th July 7pm Mass and Novena to St. Peregrine

Wednesday 31st July **St. Ignatius of Loyola** 10am Mass

Thursday 1st August **St. Alphonsus Ligouri** 10am Mass

Sunday 4th August 11.30am Mass **Months Memory:** Pauline Treacy, Dublin **Anniversary:** John Corrigan and deceased of the Corrigan Family, Tonagh

Recently Deceased: your prayers are requested for the soul of Madge Farmer, Drumgamp. May she rest in peace.

Prayer to SS Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us Ss Joachim and Anne as examples of holiness.

Help us to imitate the devotion to You

they showed throughout their sufferings of infertility.

Ss Joachim and Anne, you were eager to live out your vocation as a married couple fully.

You longed for a child but suffered from infertility for many years.

Despite this suffering, you continued to serve God faithfully.

Please continue to bring my petitions before the throne of God!

God saw your sufferings, and He heard your prayers for a child.

He answered your prayers after many years,

and you became the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Pray for me, that I may never grow discouraged when I face sufferings.

Pray that I may remain faithful no matter what difficulties or trials I might face.

Ss Joachim and Anne, pray for us!

Popes Intentions for August: **For Political Leaders** - Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking care of those who have lost their jobs and giving priority to the poor.

Visitation of the sick : The elderly, sick and housebound will next receive a parish visit in September.

SMA Missions: Thank you to those of you who have contributed to Fr Tommy Faherty's mission appeal. If anyone wishes to make a return, leave your envelope in the collection basket at masses or leave in the parish office during this coming week.

Altar Society August: Derrygonnelly – Caroline McLoughlin and Imelda Meehan. Collection after 11.30am Mass on Sunday 11th August in St Patrick's, Derrygonnelly.

Monea: Collector – Pat Meehan and Thomas Duffy.

Grandparents: bestow upon their grandchildren the strength and wisdom that time and experience have given them. Grandchildren bless their grandparents with a youthful vitality and innocence that help them stay young at heart forever. Together they create a chain of love linking the past with the future. The chain may lengthen, but it will never part.

Grandparents are a family's greatest treasure, The founders of a loving legacy, the greatest storytellers, The keepers of traditions that linger on in cherished memory. Grandparents are the family's strong foundation. Their very special love sets them apart. Through happiness and sorrow, through their special love and caring, Grandparents keep a family close at heart.

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Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Wednesday 7 August 2024 and will be led by Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher. Families and parish or prayer / community groups are welcome to make the journey and to gather in Knock. **Enniskillen St Joseph's Young Priests Society Branch:** is running a bus from Enniskillen. To book a seat please contact Pat Clarke on 07788433683. Time to be confirmed.

Parish Contributions: an alternative way of paying your parish contributions is to set up a Standing Order from your bank or through your internet banking app using the following detail:

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Please **put your name in the reference field** of any payments made to provide a record of your contributions.

Derrygonnelly Harps GFC: Jackpot £4700. £20 Laura McGurn, online, Damian McCauley, Monea, Lisa Miller, c/o Mark McGoldrick. Draw in The Linnett Inn tonight. Thanks to everyone who support and promote the lotto. Entries are also available online via the klubfunder.com platform. The auto-renew function is a very convenient part of the klubfunder facility. Sincere condolence to the McGovern family on the recent passing of Vera McGovern, Doagh. May she rest in peace.

Envelope collection: - Week ending **21st July** Weekly offerings £1710.00. Sincere thanks for your generous support. **If you are making your contribution by cheque, please make it payable to Botha Parish.**

Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel: *John 6:1-15.*

1. At the heart of this story we are told that Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and distributed them. In our day this reminds us of the Eucharist, the bread of life, with which Jesus feeds us. Can you recall an experience of Eucharist that was especially significant for you? What was it that made it different? How did it influence your understanding of the Eucharist?

2. *Take, give thanks, distribute.* The actions of Jesus also suggest an attitude to time, gifts and living. We take what we are given, give thanks, and use what we have. Have you found that having a grateful heart for what you have been given has made it easier for you to share with others?

3. From what seemed meagre and inadequate resources many were fed. When have you found that when you gratefully use what little resources you have the results are beyond your expectations?

4. Jesus chose to involve those around him in feeding the people. Have there been times when you have experienced benefits from calling on those around you to use their gifts to help with a task?

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