

# Parish of Botha

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## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

*God's commandments are given as a test or measure of our love for him. They lead us to show love for others. Human laws and observances can narrow us and lead to inhumanity to others.*

## Masses for the Week

### Immaculate Conception Monea:

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 10am Mass People of the Parish

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 10am Mass **Anniversary:** Jackie McGrath, Tobradan

### St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 11.30am Mass **Months Memory:** Brigid Love, Leighan

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September Eucharistic Adoration 10am – 7pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September **St. Gregory the Great** 7pm Mass and Novena to St. Peregrine **Anniversary:** Leo Griffin and Deceased of the Griffin Family, Killduff; Maurice and Agnes Cassidy, Drumgormley

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 10am Mass

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 10am Mass

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 11.30am Mass **Anniversary:** Packie and Mary McTeggart, Derryvary

**Recently Deceased:** Your prayers are requested for the soul of John Gilroy, Aghamore. May he rest in peace.

**Schools return:** after the disappointment of a wet summer, the beginning of September sees the return of staff and pupils to the classroom for another school year. Best wishes to those who have moved on to third level education or into the world of work. We think of those that have completed their primary education and are now making the difficult step towards secondary school. Welcome back to all in our two parish schools - St. Patrick's and Killyhommon - principals, teaching staff, ancillary staff and, of course the children. We think particularly of those that are beginning school for the first time. We hope and pray that your school year will be filled with many opportunities for growth and learning.

### **Prayer for a new school Year**

*God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit.*

*Be with our children as they begin a new school year.*

*Bless them, their teachers and all school staff.*

*Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow;*

*wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and*

*peace and zeal to their spirits. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*



**Popes Intentions for September - For The Cry Of The Earth** Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

**Envelope collection:** - Week ending **25<sup>th</sup> August** - Weekly offerings £1915.00 and €25.90. Renovation £1830.00 **If you are making your contribution by cheque, please make it payable to Botha Parish.** Thank you for your generous support.

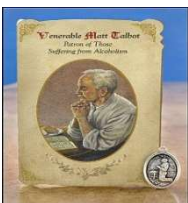


## **TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION** Season of **Creation Prayer for 2024**

The firstfruits of hope  
(Rom 8:19-25)

Triune God, Creator of all, We praise you for your goodness, visible in all the diversity that you have created, making us a cosmic family living in a common home. Through the Earth you created, we experience love and nourishment, home and protection. We confess that we do not relate to the Earth as a Mothering gift from you, our Creator. Our selfishness, greed, neglect, and abuse have caused the climate crisis, loss of biodiversity, human suffering as well as the suffering of all our fellow creatures. We confess that we have failed to listen to the groans of the Earth, the groans of all creatures, and the groans of the Spirit of hope and justice that lives within us. May your Creator Spirit help us in our weakness, so that we may know the redeeming power of Christ and the hope found in him. May the groans of the Spirit birth in us a willingness to serve you faithfully, so that we may hear and heal Creation, to hope and act together with her, so that the first fruits of hope may blossom. Loving and Creator God, we pray that you will make us sensitive to these groans and enable us to have the same compassion as that of Jesus, the redeeming Lord. Grant us a fresh vision of our relationship with Earth, and with one another, as creatures that are made in your image. In the name of the one who came to proclaim the good news to all Creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Matt Talbot Mass:** on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** in St Joseph's, Ederney at 7.30pm. Praying for all who are affected directly or indirectly by addiction in our society, for all who are working with or who are providing services for recovery from addiction and those helping family and friends of addicts to cope with the burden placed on them. People attending will be offered the opportunity to join the Matt Talbot Prayer Society. It will be held in conjunction with other Matt Talbot masses which take place on the first Monday of each month. **All are welcome.**



**Altar Society for September: Derrygonnelly** – Claire Miller and Teresa Foy. Collection after 11.30am Mass on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September in St Patrick's, Derrygonnelly.  
**Monea:** Collector – Eamon Jones and John Jones.

**Relics of St Bernadette:** The Relics of Saint Bernadette will visit the Diocese for two days in October. Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October in Saint Mary's Church, Castleblayney and Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October in Holy Cross Church, Lisnaskea. More details on schedule of prayers, liturgies and devotions each day available soon. See [www.clogherdiocese.ie/stbernadette](http://www.clogherdiocese.ie/stbernadette)

**Pioneer Total Abstinence Association:** 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass will take place in St Michael's Church, Enniskillen on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Sept at 12 noon.**

**Enniskillen St Joseph's Young Priests Society:** are holding a Holy Hour Devotion for Vocations in St Michael's Church, Enniskillen on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 7 pm. We cordially invite you to attend in person, or at <http://www.saintmichaelsparish.com/webcam.asp>

**Weekend Retreat for Mission Supporters and Friends of SMA: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept (4.30pm) – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September (2.00pm)** The SMA community welcomes our Supporters and friends to this **Weekend Retreat and Reflection**, which will be an opportunity to take time aside in the tranquil and relaxed setting of Dromantine. All will join in celebrating Mass each day at the Novena in honour of St. Thérèse. The Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated during the weekend

**Derrygonnelly Harps GFC:** Jackpot £5200. £20 Emmett Sweeney, Blaney, Kenny Sweeney, Blaney, Kyra Duffy, Monea. 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. We extend our sympathies to the Dundas family on the passing of Mrs Josephine O'Hagan nee Dundas, Belfast.

**Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages:** April – Oct 2024: 7 nights apartment B&B from €273 per person sharing. Airport transfer available on request. Contact us at Tel: 01 4434510 or website [www.med-irishcentre.com](http://www.med-irishcentre.com)

**World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** offers to "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

**Pope Francis**