

# Parish of Botha

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## Fifth Sunday of Easter

No one can come to the Father except through Christ. The Church must work so that all peoples may come to the Father. Working together in love, all God's people can build up the kingdom in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, our high priest.

## Masses for the Week

### Sacred Heart Boho:

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 10am Mass **Months Memory:** Paul Duffy, Kilnamadoo **Anniversary:** Nuala Maguire, Drumgaph – Elizabeth and James McGovern, Portmush – Joe and Bridget Corrigan, Aghamore

### St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 11:30am Mass **Months Memory:** Mai Flanagan, Enniskillen

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May Eucharistic Adoration 10am – 7pm

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 7pm Mass and Novena to St Peregrine **Anniversary:** Mary and John James Dundas and Margaret Meredith, Knockmore Park

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 10am Mass

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 11:30am Mass **Anniversary:** Teddy and Ann Walmsley, Enniskillen

### Immaculate Conception Monea:

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 10am Mass **Anniversary:** Joe McManus and Deceased of the McManus Family, Drumbeggan – Philip and Mary Bonner, Gillyholme

**Wedding:** Congratulations to Claire McCauley and Eoin Kelly who were recently married in the Church of the Immaculate Conception. May God bless them with health and happiness.

**First Holy Communion:** congratulations to the children of Killyhommon and St Patrick's primary schools who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion last Saturday. We pray that they will come to a deep understanding and appreciation of the gift of the Eucharist in their lives. May their parents and teachers be supported and encouraged as they seek to pass on the faith to these boys and girls.

### Healing Mass

**St Patrick's, Derrygonnelly**  
**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 12pm**

We invite any parishioners who may be sick or housebound to come to our annual healing mass and to receive the anointing of the sick.

Light refreshments will be provided in the community centre afterwards.



### Prayer Before an Exam

'Lord, as I take this exam,  
I ask for Your peace and clarity of mind.  
Calm my nerves, help me to focus, and  
guide my memory to recall what I have  
studied. Give me the wisdom to  
understand the questions and the ability  
to express my answers clearly.

I trust in You. Amen.' *Salesians Ireland*

This week's Bulletin is sponsored in memory of Mary Dundas, Knockmore Park.

**Parish Office:** will be closed on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

**Envelope Collection:** Week ending **26th April** – Weekly offerings £1630.00 and €30. Development £1565.00 and €26. Thank you for your generous support.

**Altar Society May: Derrygonnelly** – Sean McLoughlin, Annette and Janette Murphy. Collection after 11.30am Mass on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May in St Patrick's. **Sacred Heart:** Margaret Corrigan Collector: John Jones **Monea:** Collette and Joanne McCauley Collector – Ciara Duffy

### May - the month of Our Lady

In Catholic tradition, May is devoted to the blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of God. In the Church, Mary is a model of faith, obedience, humility and charity. Dedicating an entire month to her allows believers to anchor these virtues more firmly in their daily lives. It is also an opportunity to meditate on the joyful, sorrowful, glorious and luminous mysteries of the Rosary, contemplating the life of Christ through the maternal gaze of Mary. The Rosary will be prayed at the grotto at St Patrick's, Monday to Saturday at 10.30am. Come along and join in this devotion to Our Lady.

**Celebration of the Golden Jubilee of Ordination to Priesthood of Bishop Larry Duffy:** will take place on **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June**, at 3pm in St Macartan's Cathedral. All welcome.

**Clogher don Óige:** will host a Summer Camp under the patronage of Carlo Acutis at St. Joseph's Pastoral Centre, Monaghan, from **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026**, running daily from 10:00am to 3:00pm. This promises to be an engaging "Carlo Camp" filled with fun, faith, and friendship, specially designed for children aged 10 to 13 years. The cost is €15 per child. Booking is available online at: [www.clogherdonoige.org](http://www.clogherdonoige.org)

**Clogher don Óige:** invites young people (15-17) to join them on pilgrimage to Taizé this summer. **8<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> August.** Cost €670. Last few places remaining. More details: [www.clogherdonoige.org/taize2026](http://www.clogherdonoige.org/taize2026)



**Day of Friendship & Prayer** - will take place on **Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May.** Guest speakers on the day will be Most Reverend Archbishop Eamon Martin and the Most Reverend Archbishop John McDowell.

**The Traditional Three Day Pilgrimage** will begin on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**, and run until Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August. You can begin your pilgrimage on any day of the week until Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August. Admission €85. Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups \* Pilgrims between the ages of 15 and 18 years old must be accompanied by a parent/guardian who is also undertaking the pilgrimage.

**Derrygonnelly Harps GFC:** Jackpot £5100. £20 Caresa Kelly, Springfield, Emmet Sweeney, Blaney, Noel Maguire, Boho. Draw in Doogies tonight. Thanks to everyone who supports and promotes the Lotto.

**Popes Intention for May: *That everyone might have food*** - Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

### Points to Ponder

How do we live our Easter faith in Eastertide? The Church wants us in these days to remain with the Lord in quiet contemplation; to put aside our worries, and fears, and doubts; to look up, and look forward.

Heaven lies ahead of us; but also for those who belong to Jesus, it's already a present reality. Of course heaven utterly exceeds our imagination. In that respect, with the Apostle Thomas, we can rightly say: we do not know where you are going.

Yet already we touch heaven, we know it, we simply find ourselves in it, in our prayer. We are in heaven when we are with God, and he with us.

We touch heaven too when we assist at Holy Mass, and come to Holy Communion, and know that Jesus is with us, and in us; when we rejoice in that and resolve never to be parted from him.

Jesus said to his disciples: Do not let your hearts be troubled. That is: God will seem to be absent from what is to come, but he won't be. On the contrary, precisely he will be working out his purposes, in a most wonderful way, for our good, and his own glory.

And this will remain true in every situation in life, however apparently meaningless or terrible. If we belong to Jesus, we have good reason not to be troubled.

Abide with Jesus in the love of his Father. Be conformed to him in self-giving love. Be modelled after his pattern of humility and obedience, and a life of ceaseless intercession. Then you will also be able to endure with him your cross and so share in his resurrection.

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