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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The three readings today by chance deal with the same theme of neighbourly correction. This is a difficult art and can only be exercised through genuine love and the purest of motives. We have to learn to help and to heal each other. In this we have to avoid attitudes of prying, denunciation, jealousy and informing. The spirit of the Gospel which lays down a procedure must be our guide.

Masses for the Week

Sacred Heart Boho:

Sunday 6th September 10am Mass **Months Memory:** Mary Gallagher, Drumbeggar - **Anniversary:** Jackie McGrath, Tobradan – Rita Howe and Deceased of the Howe Family, Leitrim

St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 6th September 11:30am Mass **Anniversary:** People of the Parish

Tuesday 8th September Eucharistic Adoration 10am – 7pm

Sunday 13th September 11:30am Mass **Anniversary:** Gerry and Margaret Dolan, Drumary – Joe McCabe and Deceased of the McCabe Family, Drumgormley

Recently Deceased: as a parish community we extend sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Rita McLoughlin, Aghakeeran and Fr Jim Moore, Clones. May they rest in peace.

Prayer for the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Feast Day 8th September

O Blessed Virgin Mary, your holy birth brought joy and hope to the world, for through you came our Savior, Jesus Christ.

I praise God for the gift of your Nativity and thank Him for choosing you to be the Mother of His Son.

O holy Mother of God, obtain for me the grace to grow in faith, hope, and charity.

Help me to turn away from sin, to follow your example of humility and obedience, and to trust always in God's loving will.

O Mary, full of grace, pray for me that I may faithfully serve your Son in this life and one day rejoice with you in the glory of Heaven. Amen.



Annual Memorial Service: for all our dead will take place on **Sunday 8th November** at **3pm** in St. Patrick's Church Derrygonnelly. All the dead will be remembered but in particular those who have died since November last year.

St. Peregrine Novena: to mark the 300th year of St. Peregrine's canonization a 3-day Novena to the Patron Saint of those who have Cancer will take place in Holy Cross Church Lisnaskea from **Monday 5th - Wednesday 7th October** at 7pm, guest speaker each night

A Family Tree Mass: will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Arney on **11th September** at 7.30 pm. Celebrant will be Father Gerry Campbell.

Visitation of the sick: The elderly, sick and housebound will next receive a parish visit at the beginning of October.

Envelope Collection: Week ending **30th August** – Weekly offerings £1400.00 and €20.90 Development £2615.00 and €17. Thank you for your generous support.

Creation

Creation is God's work. Before humanity was, the rest of creation came into being. The earth and her creatures – indeed the whole cosmos – have beauty, dignity and meaning before human presence. So to nurture awe at the wonder of creation is part of our calling. Look up into the skies, walk in the fields, stand at the ocean's edge. Everything belongs, everything has beauty! The garden is such an insightful model for our care of creation. Our call is to be good gardeners, thoughtful, alert and diligent, working with the soil and with the rhythm of the seasons, caring for the creatures who find home and shelter in the garden.

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Enniskillen VSOSJ Branch: will run a bus to Knock Shrine on **Wednesday 7th October** the Feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary. Early booking is advisable. To reserve a seat, SMS Text or WhatsApp message to 07817 451959 / 07749411433/ 07788433683. Bus leaves St Michael's Bookshop, at 8.30 am sharp.

Boho Seniors': lunch will resume on **Tuesday 8th September** at 1pm. New members welcome.

Derrygonnelly Harps GFC: Jackpot £4500. £20 Martin Magee, Belleek, Peter Ferguson, Garrison, Joanne Maguire, Kinawley. Draw in The Linett Inn tonight. Thanks to all Lotto supporters, promoters and supervisors. Congratulations to our Under 16 girls on a great win in the Division Two final last week.

Save Our Acute Services (SOAS): Our next meeting will take place on Monday **7th September** at 7pm in the Westville Hotel in Enniskillen. We need to talk to you and alert you as to what plans are being made for us and how we must fight and resist them. This is a very important meeting. Your support is essential.

HLI Ireland: Fr Lawrence Carney (USA), international speaker and popular author, Provincial Tour of Ireland. Join us for the Ulster event at the Canal Court Hotel, Newry, on **Tuesday 29th September** at 6:45pm, with a First Class Relic of St Thérèse. Free admission.

Aisling Centre: Annual Dawn Culicagh Trek Saturday **12th September** to mark World Suicide Prevention Day. Book via Eventbrite <https://AC2026.eventbrite.co.uk> or contact Aisling Centre for information info@theaislingcentre.com

Points to Ponder

In many ways, we are keepers of our sisters and brothers. We have social responsibility in family and in neighbourhood. Jesus is saying something like that today. We have a responsibility for each other, for the common good. Parents may find this most difficult – to try to guide the family well and not lose them. We teach by example and by love. Even when children are young and making some mistakes, we hope they are not mistakes that last forever, like crime, alcoholism or an unplanned life-changing moment. We pray to God for help. This we do with others. We ask for guidance and find help in the community of the church and of others. That's where God is – two or three gathered is the community of God. Church is the gathered people. God wants the best for each of us. We can help each other to goodness, we can support each other, correct each other, and help each other on our way to God. Jesus promises guidance and his presence to his followers for all ages. If we gather in his name, he is with us. The 'in his name' is the relevant condition. That means openness to his word and the traditions faithfully handed on by his community of followers. It means openness to asking for wisdom and guidance and the humility to admit none of us has all the answers.

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