

# Parish of Botha

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## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*The three readings today by chance deal with the same theme of neighborly correction. This is a difficult art and can only be exercised through genuine love and 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

#### St Patrick's Derrygonnelly:

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am Mass: People of the Parish

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 11.30am Mass **Anniversary:** Mary McGlone, Marian Mohan and deceased of McGlone Family.

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary** 6pm Sacrament of Confirmation.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 6pm Sacrament of Confirmation.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 6pm Sacrament of Confirmation

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 1pm Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am Mass **Anniversary:** John McLoughlin, Samsonagh.

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 11.30am Mass **Anniversary:** Gerry and Margaret Dolan, Drumary; Oisín Flanagan, Drumgormley.

#### Sacred Heart Boho:

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 11am Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

**Recently Deceased:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Paddy Corrigan, Coranerk. May he rest in peace.

## CONFIRMATION PRAYER



Spirit of God, grant me:

The gift of wisdom to see the world through your eyes,  
the gift of counsel to make difficult decisions,  
the gifts of knowledge and understanding  
to use my mind to know you and to love you,  
the gift of fortitude to have the courage to live in the faith  
despite the difficulties and disappointments,  
the gift of piety to be able to express my special love  
and commitment to you,  
and the right kind of awesome fear  
that makes me pause to wonder and revere God's love. Amen.

**Confirmation and First Holy Communion:** Owing to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation this week there will not be any daily Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. This week we remember the twenty children who will celebrate their First Holy Communion on Saturday and thirty three young people who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evening. There was much disappointment earlier in the year when these celebrations had to be postponed due to the Coronavirus so it is great that they can now take place, albeit in a more restricted way. Please think of these young people during the coming days and pray for each one of them. May they be nourished in the Eucharist and be inspired and guided through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

### Prayers before Communion

Lord Jesus, come to me.

Lord Jesus, give me your love.

Lord Jesus, come to me and give me yourself.

Lord Jesus, friend of children, come to me.

Lord Jesus, you are my Lord and my God

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



### Prayers after Communion

Lord Jesus, I love and adore you.

You're a special friend to me.

Welcome, Lord Jesus, O welcome.

Thank you for coming to me.

Thank you, Lord Jesus, O thank you

For giving yourself to me.

Make me strong to show your love

Wherever I may be.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay

Close by me forever and love me, I pray.

Bless all of us children in your loving care

And bring us to heaven to live with you there.

I'm ready now, Lord Jesus.

To show how much I care.

I'm ready now to give your love

At home and everywhere. Amen.

**Cemetery Sunday:** As with everything else, it has not been possible to celebrate Cemetery Sunday as a parish community this year. Large outdoor gatherings have been greatly curtailed and there is no indication as to when this might change. Consequently, for 2020, I am recommending that the weekend of September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> be chosen as designated days to visit the graves to remember and honour deceased loved ones. You are encouraged to tidy your family plot (and those of others who may have no relatives) in advance of the occasion. You are invited to pray some of the suggested prayers which will be printed in the parish bulletin and to sprinkle the graves with holy water.

**National Grandparents Pilgrimage 2020:** Broadcast live on Sunday 13 September at 3pm from Knock Basilica Due to covid-19 restrictions, capacity will be very limited in the Basilica. We invite grandparents and their families everywhere to join us online at [www.knockshrine.ie/watch](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch)

**Youthscape:** is a programme provided to 14-24 year olds, we focus on: Personal Development Citizenship and Good Relations. We provide the programme online or in the South West College (Enniskillen, Omagh and Dungannon). Contact 07775504218 or Facebook page 'Chloe Youthscape'.

<https://www.swc.ac.uk/learn/alternative-programmes/the-youthscape-programme>