

Parish of Botha 7th August 2022

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Parish Office Hours	
Monday	6:30pm – 9:30pm
Wednesday	1:30pm – 9:30pm
Thursday	6:30pm – 9:30pm
Baptisms: on the 1st Saturday of each month at 4pm in St Patrick's, Derrygonnelly	

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Christ calls us to continual vigilance. To be always watchful that we are not led into temptation. He taught us to pray that we may not be put to the test. But above all we are to be concerned about our final perseverance.		
Masses for the week, St Patrick's Derrygonnelly		
Sun 7 August	11:30am	Mass. People of the Parish.
Tuesday 9 August	7pm	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Novena to St. Peregrine. Anniversary: Sonny and Bernie McGovern , Derrygonnelly; Sean McGovern , Doagh.
Wednesday 10 August	10am	St. Lawrence Mass
Thursday 11 August	10am	St. Clare Mass
Sunday 14 August	11:30am	Anniversary: Charlie Woods , Castletown; Paddy Flanagan and deceased of the Flanagan Family , Main Street; John, Rose and Pat Love , Derryvary; Benny Love , Loughan.
Masses for the week, Immaculate Conception, Monea		
Sun 7 August	10:00am	Anniversary: Marie Magee , Tullycalter; Deceased of the McGrath Family , Cullen; John and Roseann Carroll , Knockmore Park; John and Annie Higgins , Castletown.

Recently Deceased: Your prayers are requested for the souls of Susan McAfee, Aghahoorin; Caroline Mallon-Najar Belfast formerly Scandally. May they rest in peace.

Seeing your life through the lens of the Gospel:

Luke 12:32 (shorter form 11:1-2,8-12)

1. The opening verses of this gospel invite us to ask ourselves what do we see as our purpose in life? What are your priorities? Is our heart set on material progress and advance, or do we have other priorities? what has helped you to appreciate that there is more to your life than earthly possessions and success?

2. In times we can sense in Jesus an urgency, as if he wanted to shake people and wake them up to take his word seriously. The parable has that tone: 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit'. when have you found that being alert enabled you to grasp a moment of opportunity that you might have easily missed, e.g., when a child or friend give a hint that they would like to talk, and a very meaningful conversation ensued.

3. another consideration that adds to the sense of urgency in the words of Jesus is that we only have one life, and we do not know how long that will last. So Jesus calls on us to live in the now and to treasure our time. Sometimes we can drift aimlessly through a day, and on other occasions use a day purposefully. What difference does that make, if any, to how you experience the day.

John Byrne OSA

This week's Bulletin is sponsored in memory of Marie Magee, Tullycalter.

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Before Sleep

As I lay down to sleep,
may the guardian angel
watch over me,
coaxing all my cares
to unravel into peace.

As darkness within
is wed to darkness without,
freed from the weight of light,
let my eyes sleep,
relieved of all intensities.

Let my imagination
trawl the compressed seas
to bless the dawn
with a generous catch
of luminous dream.

May this new night of rest
repair the wear of time
and restore youth of heart
for the adventure
that awaits tomorrow.

John O'Donohue

A Prayer by Telephone: The Sisters of Mercy welcome any person who may wish to request prayer, especially during these difficult times. All requests are confidential. Tel: 00353 42 933 1602. 9am - 9pm Daily. One of the sisters will be happy to Listen and Pray with you.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: led by Bishop Larry Duffy, on **Wednesday 24 August 2022**. Given that there will be no pilgrimage to Lourdes this year, this is a wonderful opportunity for people from across the diocese and their friends to make a pilgrimage to the national shrine of Mary here in Ireland.

Youth 2000: Join over 1000 young people between the ages of 16 and 35 this August at the **Youth 2000 Summer Festival**. The festival takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare from **Thursday 11th August to Sunday 14th August 2022**. For more information and to book your place go to www.youth2000.ie

Benburb Priory: will soon host a day conference on the meaning crisis (rise in suicides, depression, and more) and the Christian way, today. The conference will feature leading Christian thinkers, including Paul Kingsnorth, Paul Vander Klay, and Fr Calvin Robinson. This event will take place on Friday 2nd September. Tickets are available at benburbpriory.com now. All are welcome.

Derrygonnelly Harps GFC: Jackpot £6000. £20 Kevin Foy, Ely Lodge, Trisha Glynn, Derrygonnelly, Tommy Mulrone, Belleek. Draw in Doogies tonight. Thanks to everyone who supports and promotes the club Lotto. It was with huge sadness that all Harps members heard of the passing of Caroline Mallon-Nagar in Belfast last week. Our sincerest sympathies are expressed to her parents Paddy and Vonnie Greene of Scandally, her brothers Garrett and Terry, sisters Michelle and Raquel and her extended family circle at such a terrible time. May God rest her gentle soul.

Irish Summer Scheme Secondary School Students: Fermanagh and Omagh District Council will run an Irish Summer Scheme for secondary school students in Strule Arts Centre, Omagh on Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd August 2022 from 10am-4pm. This will be a free event. For further information please contact gaeilge@fermanaghomagh.com or phone 028 8224 7831. Please book online at www.struleartscentre.com.

Help Lines

Northern Ireland Association for Mental Health: Telephone 028 90 328474.

Lifeline: 0808 808 8000

Macmillan Cancer Helpline: 028 90 708610

Cancer Connect NI: Enniskillen Tel: 028 66340102 email: info@cancerconnectni.org

Addiction N I: 028 9066 4434

Alcoholics Anonymous: Group meets 3 evenings per week in the Aisling Centre. For details contact 028 66325811

AI Anon: Family Support group for people who live with/have live with a loved ones' addiction. Tel: 028 90682368

St. Vincent De Paul Helpline: 028 66 347 788

24/7 Domestic Violence Helpline: 0800 917 1441