

PARISH NEWS

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th November 2018

The Widow's Mite

In today's Gospel, Jesus is courageously speaking out against the hypocrisy of the religious leaders of his time. He is encouraging all his followers to engage in a reality check. The hypocrisy of the scribes is in total contrast to the humility and generosity of the widow in the second part of the Gospel. She gives not of what she has to spare, but everything she has. She is freer than the others. We can be quick to make judgements about another person's commitment based on what we see happening on the outside. Those leaders who acquire the best seats and show up in all the frills may not actually be all they appear to be. Jesus is urging us to look into the person's heart for what is there is far more important than all the trappings on the outside. The widow gives everything and this does not have to be about money. We might recall those today who give us their time, their support, who pray from the heart and give of themselves expecting nothing in return. We might thank them, pray for them. We can also look into our own hearts today and challenge our motivations for what we do. Can we give more of ourselves to God or to someone we love? A listening ear, 'wasting time' with people, looking at how we spend our money. Jesus calls us to search our hearts and the hearts of others in today's gospel. The widow models Jesus' way of discipleship in contrast to those in positions of leadership and power.

Collections: 1st & 4th November Envelopes €1068 Baskets €852

No of Envelopes 71

Direct Debits 5

Our thanks and appreciation to all who subscribe so generously to the Parish

Mass Schedule

Mass Monday 12th Nov. & Friday 16th at 7.30pm

Mass of the Holy Angels is on Wednesday 14th November at 7.30pm

Mass Tuesday 13th & Thursday 15th Nov. at 10am

Borris Parish Website: www.borrisparish.ie

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

Parish Centre: Opening hours from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm. Monday - Friday

Phone 059 9773128; email borrisparish@gmail.com Closed Bank Holidays.

Safeguarding: If you are concerned about the welfare & safety of children or vulnerable adults contact the **Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) – Ms. Joan Treacy** Mob: 085-8021633, e-mail – dlp@kandle.ie

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2019

CONFIRMATION BORRIS SATURDAY 6TH APRIL

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION BORRIS SATURDAY 18TH MAY

The Miscarriage Association of Ireland will hold its Annual Service of Remembrance on Sunday the 11th of November 2018 at 3pm in St Teresa's Church, Donore Avenue, off South Circular Road, Dublin 8. All parents, siblings, grandparents & anyone else affected by the loss of a baby are very welcome to attend, regardless of whether the loss was recent or long ago.

The Eist Cancer Support Centre, The Waterfront, Mill Lane, Carlow, will hold its annual Ecumenical Service of Remembrance on Tuesday 13th November at 8pm.

This year The **Alzheimer Society of Ireland's** Memory Ribbon National Collection Day will take place on Thursday 22nd November and we are seeking your help! We need volunteers to sell our Memory Ribbons pins in villages and towns across Ireland. Every donation you collect will go directly towards funding vital services based in the heart of local communities in every county in Ireland.

HOW CAN YOU HELP? Simply call Jarlath on the fundraising team on 012073826 or visit our website to register as a volunteer <http://www.alzheimer.ie/Get-Involved/Fundraising/Alzheimer-s-Memory-Ribbon.aspx>



Cake Sale

The Parents Association of Ballymurphy National School is holding a cake sale after 11am MASS on Sunday 11th November in Borris. Your support would be greatly appreciated.
Thank you

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

May God grant you always.....

A sunbeam to warm you,
a moonbeam to charm you,
A sheltering Angel
so nothing can harm you.
Laughter to cheer you.
Faithful friends near you.
And whenever you pray,
Heaven to hear you.

Irish Blessing

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK