PARISH NEWS

The Most Holy Trinity 11th June 2017

Trinity Sunday

God in today's Gospel is described to us as one that is very close, as one that loves the world so deeply that he was willing to give everything to it. It is hard to comprehend these statements. Why would someone love in such a way? Why would someone sacrifice in such a way? John's Gospel today tells us that it is because we are loved so deeply and so that we would come to know this love which brings life. It is not a one-off event; it is continuous and ongoing in each of our lives. Neither is it to make us feel guilty; we are told that this outpouring of God's love is not to condemn us in any way. This giving from the Father is so that we might be free from our own brokenness, that we might know how infinitely loved we are and so live a life that is full and everlasting. God rescues us from our own brokenness and offers a life that is a fuller and deeper experience.

Trinity Sunday invites us to reflect on the impossible; on the utterly mysterious. Yes we can know something of what it means to experience God's love in our lives; to have a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and to feel God's Spirit dwelling within ourselves. We can experience that same Spirit of God in each person we meet, that Spirit of God dwelling in all of creation. The Trinity speaks to us of relationship, community, of fully giving and receiving.

'God has fallen in love with us – quite literally. God has come down to earth, and opened Godself to all the raw brutality, as well as the warm tenderness, of human life.'

Margaret Silf

Collections:4th JuneEnvelopes €526Baskets €544No of Envelopes 59Direct Debits 3Our thanks and appreciation to all who subscribe so generously to the Parish

Mass Schedule:Mass on Monday 12th & Fri 16th June at 7.30pmTues 13th – Thurs 15th June at 9amBallymurphy Servers Sat 10th June Group 3

Mass on Saturday 17th June will be in Borris Church instead of Ballymurphy Church to accommodate The Féile Teams

Confessions in Sacred Heart, Borris from 11.30 – 12 noon every Saturday morning. All welcome.

Novena to Our Lady in St. Fortchern's Church, Rathanna for 9 nights starting on Thursday 15th June to Friday 23rd at 7.30pm. All Welcome.

A **Charismatic Meeting** will be held in Borris Church on Tuesday 13th June at 6.30pm All Welcome

Public Meeting Regarding Borris Town Hall on Tuesday 13th June at 8pm in Borris Town Hall. All Welcome

Dates for Your Diary

Prayers In Cemeteries 2017

Kiltennel Cemetery: Sunday 18th June Rosary & Blessing of graves after 11am Mass in Borris Sacred Heart Cemetery: Mass on Friday 30th June at 7.30pm Clonagoose Cemetery: Mass on Sunday 2nd July at 3pm Rathanna: Sunday August 6th 3pm Ballymurphy: Sunday August 27th 3pm Annual Mass of the Sick Friday 7th July 7.30pm Borris

Walk with Willibrord

Saturday June 24th 2017 From St. Laserian's Cathedral, Old Leighlin to the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow town via the Barrow Way Join Bishops Burrows and Nulty as they walk the Relic of St. Willibrord, Patron Saint of Luxembourg which has been specially presented to Co. Carlow by the people of Echternach, Luxembourg. In AD 690 Willibrord led a mission from Co. Carlow to the continent. Start 9.45am: Holy Well and St. Laserian's Cathedral, Old Leighlin Departs 12.30pm: Leighlinbridge Departs 2.15pm: Milford car park Departs 5.20pm: St. Clare's Church, Graiguecullen Departs 5.50pm: St Mary's Church Arrives: 6.15pm to the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow town. All welcome. For details: www.kandle.ie

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

PRAYER BEFORE AN EXAMINATION

Dear Lord, as I take this exam, I thank you that my value is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me.

Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together.

Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way.

As I take this exam, bring back to my mind everything I studied and be gracious with what I have overlooked.

Help me to remain focussed and calm, confident in the facts and in my ability, and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens today you are there with me.

Amen.

Salesians of Don Bosco, Ireland

We would like to wish all students the very best of luck in their exams.

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK