PARISH NEWS

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 14th October 2018

Will I miss it?

As I write this, I am in the middle of moving house. As anyone who has ever moved house will know, it can be an exhausting and stressful time. There are boxes to be filled and labelled, furniture to be lifted and transported, and rooms to be cleaned. There are things to throw in the bin or skip, and trips to the recycling centre and charity shop. And there are a bucket load of emotions that go with the whole process, particularly when it comes to those decisions over what is worth holding onto, and what can be let go. Many an item I've regarded in recent weeks, agonising over whether it needs to make the journey with me. My motto has become 'Will I miss it if I get rid of it?' A friend of mine swears by the 'KoniMari' method of decluttering, which advises asking yourself whether or not an item 'brings you joy'.

Such are the practical considerations we deal with in life, particularly at pivotal times such as moving home, moving in with a partner, when a child flies the nest, or after a loved one passes away. While we may not be people 'of great wealth' like the man in today's gospel, most of us accumulate a great deal of possessions over a lifetime. Some of it is necessary, but much of it is superfluous. If it came down to it, how much could we let go of? What good will our earthly treasures do us, in the long run?

Collections: 7th October Envelopes €1146 Baskets €656

No of Envelopes 56 Direct Debits 3

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

Mass Schedule; Mass Monday 15th & Friday 19th Oct. at 7.30pm

Mass Tues 16th – Thurs 18th Oct. 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

Irish Wheelchair Association would like to thanks all those who supported the local collection – the total collected this year was €409.43.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2019

CONFIRMATION BORRIS SATURDAY 6TH APRIL

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION BORRIS SATURDAY 18TH MAY

Mission Sunday:

The most important day of this month is World Mission Sunday, which takes place on the 21st. This is the one Sunday in the year that Pope Francis asks you to pray a little stronger and dig a little deeper so that faith, hope and love can flourish. Contributions given on World Mission Sunday will support the fearless and selfless work of our missionaries, who live shoulder-to-shoulder with people in communities that are struggling and often war-torn. Mission Month and Mission Sunday is a time for you to fully appreciate the dedication of these missionaries who are there before, during and after any crisis. World Mission Sunday is coordinated by 'World Missions Ireland', originally known as the Pontifical Mission Societies. It is the Church's official charity for overseas mission, and is part of a worldwide network of over 120 charities. Many of the international offices go by the name 'Missio'. World Missions Ireland and their fellow charities ensure that the contribution you give on Mission Sunday will be justly distributed to where the need is greatest within our universal Church. You can donate €4.00 now, by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. (Texts cost €4. World Missions Ireland will receive a minimum of €3.60. Service Provider LikeCharity. Helpline 076 680 5278. Republic of Ireland only.) For more information, go to www.wmi.ie.

<u>YEARLY ENVELOPES</u> – THOSE WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED A BOX OF ENVELOPES AND WISH TO HAVE ONE MAY CALL IN TO THE PARISH CENTRE AT THE USUAL OPENING TIMES

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

WHISPERINGS OF MY SOUL

- One Man's Journey from Husband & Father to God & the Priesthood
 - With Endless Grief, Eternal Love, Amazing Grace
 - & the Power of Prayer Along the Way.
- Fr. Sean Hyland launches his book, 'Whisperings of My Soul', with the help of Bishop Denis Nulty on Friday, November 30th at 8pm in The GAA Centre, McCann Park, Portarlington.
- Fr. Sean, of the parish of Rhode and Clonbullogue, invites everyone to this launch and appreciates any support with the launch and promotion of his book.

This book tells the story of his many heavenly blessings and extraordinary consolations of faith which ultimately led to his ordination in 2014.

This is a self-published book by Fr Sean and he is reaching out to everyone in the Diocese asking for your help to spread the word about 'Whisperings of My Soul'.

If you have any suggestions or can offer support in spreading the message of the beautiful heavenly blessings contained in this book please contact Fr. Sean at e/mail: hylandjohnliz@yahoo.ie or mobile 087 9486769.

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK