

# PARISH NEWS

## *Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

15<sup>th</sup> July 2018

### A BETTER WORLD

Being a follower of Jesus means to be 'sent out'. Our spiritual lives ought to be visible on the outside through our actions and dealings with others. The disciples are sent in twos for companionship but also as a team; one person cannot have all the gifts and there is support in working with another.

We might interpret the many demons that they cast out as all those things in the world that are not of the Spirit, the injustices in our world. Jesus sends the disciples out to work for a better world, to bring more love, compassion and peace to those that they encounter. They go and urge people to repent, to turn around. This is one of the goals of their mission and Jesus' mission: to turn the world around.

Jesus' instructions to shake the dust from their feet when they feel unwelcome may seem harsh at first. We too may fear rejection and when we experience it, it can leave us feeling exhausted and upset. Perhaps the message here is to free ourselves and move on; to not let that disappointment and upset control our lives because if we do, we lose our freedom, it holds us back and it starts to define us. In the midst of that experience, our true mission can become lost. As we prepare to welcome Pope Francis to Ireland, let us go out and bring joy and hope to those we encounter.

'You might be the only gospel which people read.'

**Collections:** 8<sup>th</sup> July      Envelopes €376      Baskets €728  
No of Envelopes 49      Direct Debits 4

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

#### Mass Schedule;

Mass on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> & Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm  
Mass Tues 17<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> July at 10am  
Ballymurphy Servers Sat 14<sup>th</sup> July **Group 3**

**Borris Parish Website:** [www.borrisparish.ie](http://www.borrisparish.ie)

**Diocesan Website:** [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

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

Phone 059 9773128; email [borrisparish@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:dlp@kandle.ie)

#### **GRAVEYARD MASSES & PRAYERS**

**A LATIN MASS** will be held in Borris Church on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm. This Mass is being organised by the Catholic Heritage Association.

**Rathanna** August 5<sup>th</sup> 3pm  
**Ballymurphy** August 26<sup>th</sup> 3pm

## **Pre-Marriage Course**

Accord Carlow run Pre-marriage course's for couples intending to get married in the Catholic Church. It is a requirement of the church that all couples attend a Pre-Marriage course before getting married. There are a small amount of places available on the forthcoming courses:  
Sept 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> at St Catherine's Community Service Centre, Carlow  
Oct 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> at The Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow  
How to Book a place? Book on line [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)  
Contact Mary at Accord Carlow 059 9138738 for further information

**Lough Derg 2018:** The Three Day Pilgrimage is currently open. You may begin on any day until Monday 13th August. Advance booking is not necessary. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality, phone Lorraine on 071 9861518 (from NI +353) email: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org)

### **WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES – POPE FRANCIS EVENTS**

Official Opening Liturgy for the Diocese for WMOF will take place in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, August 21 – a date for the calendar.

## *THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK*



### **Care of Our Common Home**

“In the family too, we can rethink our habits of consumption and join in caring for the environment as our common home.” (Amoris Laetitia, 277)

In response to Pope Francis' call for families to care for our own environment, WMOF2018 is inviting all pilgrims attending in August into a conversation about 'Our Common Home'.

People can visit 'Our Common Home' eco-spaces and join in discussion, prayer and action in caring for our beautiful planet. They can hear some of the eco-stories of families from around the world and discover more about how we can care for our beautiful world and live more sustainable lives; they can visit some of our eco-exhibitions and participate of various workshops dealing with how to care for our planet.

The 'Our Common Home' Project at WMOF2018 is being offered in partnership with the Global Catholic Climate Movement, Trócaire & Laudato Si' Ireland.

## *HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK*