

PARISH NEWS

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th November 2018

World Day of the Poor

My words will not pass away

This chapter from Mark is part of a farewell speech from Jesus to his followers in the last days of his earthly life. It sounds almost apocalyptic because we are nearing the end of the Church's liturgical year and so the texts we read take this tone. Jesus is revealing to his disciples something about the new order which is coming. He talks about the 'end times' and this can appear frightening at first. However, if we enter into a meditation on this Gospel we might bring to mind something of those moments in our own lives when we felt like our world was ending. Perhaps it was the end of a relationship, the death of a loved one, the end of one stage of your life. Things which seemed so familiar and helped keep us secure suddenly changed. These can be extremely difficult periods of one's life. It is during those times that someone comes to us offering prophecy of better times to come, of words that 'will not pass away'. Jesus is preparing the disciples for what is about to happen to him and with assurance that God's kingdom is far greater than any evil that is about to occur. The passage is often interpreted as referring to the second coming of Christ or his resurrection. Whenever we experience trauma we keep going with the assurance that resurrection is all around us and a new way of being is on the horizon.

Collections: 11th November Envelopes €388 Baskets €543

No of Envelopes 59

Direct Debits 4

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

Mass Schedule

Mass Monday 19th Nov. & Friday 23rd at 7.30pm

Mass Tuesday 20th - Thursday 22nd 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 Éist Cancer Support Centre is holding a Candlelight Walk of Hope on Saturday 24th November 2018 starting from the Bank of Ireland, Shamrock Plaza at 4.30 pm, walking through town behind Santa to Potato Market for the turning on of the Christmas Lights at 5 pm. Join us in Bank of Ireland from 3.30 pm for tea and chat before walk. All welcome.

Rome/San Giovanni Easter 2019 with Papal Ceremonies in Rome for the Easter Period 7 nights €995 pps Payments can be made in instalments contact James Treacy on 061921470 or 0860572216

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>

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Today is

World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims November 18th 2018

Theme for 2018 ~

“Roads have stories”



This theme is based on Pillar 2 of the Global Plan for the Decade of Action for Road Safety – **Safer roads and mobility.**

The aim is to raise the safety and quality of road networks for the benefit of all road users, especially the most vulnerable, through infrastructure assessments and improved planning, design, construction and operation of roads.

The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (WDR) is commemorated on the third Sunday of November each year – to remember the many millions killed and injured on the world's roads, together with their families, friends and many others who are also affected. It is also a Day on which we thank the emergency services and reflect on the tremendous burden and cost of this daily continuing disaster to families, communities and countries, and on ways to halt it.

Road deaths and injuries are sudden, violent, traumatic events. Their impact is long-lasting, often permanent. Each year, millions of newly injured and bereaved people from every corner of the world are added to the countless millions who already suffer. The cumulative toll is truly tremendous.

The grief and distress experienced by this huge number of people is all the greater because many of the victims are young, because many of the crashes could and should have been prevented and because governments' and society's response to road death and injury and to bereaved and injured victims is often inadequate, unsympathetic, and inappropriate to a loss of life or quality of life.

This special Remembrance Day is therefore intended to respond to the great need of road crash victims for public recognition of their loss and suffering. It has also become an important tool for governments and those who work to prevent crashes or respond to the aftermath, since it offers the opportunity to demonstrate the enormous scale and impact of road deaths and injuries and the urgent need for action.