PARISH NEWS Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st July 2018

Healing miracles

Today's gospel offers us two stories of the healing miracles of Jesus showing us something of how God's grace can enter our lives and transform our situations. We can all recall times when we were struggling, whether it be with a relationship or illness. We needed something to move us, to help us forgive, to help us walk away or to relieve us of physical pain. In the end it can be the simple gestures that save us: a kind word, someone praying for us, a gentle touch or we reach out to someone and like the woman with the haemorrhage we suddenly feel within ourselves that we are healed.

The woman is physically healed through her faith-filled action but Jesus reaches out to her in another way by calling her 'Daughter'. He restores her status among the people. She would have been completely outcast in society because of her illness and Jesus does not let social convention dictate who he should or should not acknowledge. All are children of God. We are called to do the same, to reach out to those whom society declares 'unclean' and those with whom we would rather not be associated. Jesus reminds the people of this woman's true identity as a child of God. As Mark returns to the account of Jairus' daughter we hear how Jesus restores the young girl to life with the simple words: 'Talitha, Kum!' (little girl, get up). God's grace is gentle yet can bring life to situations of death. What do you need healing from today? Ask the Lord for what you need.

Collections: 24th June Envelopes €376 Baskets €579

No of Envelopes 56 **Direct Debits 3**

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

Mass Schedule:

Mass on Friday 29th June in the Sacred Heart Cemetery at 7.30pm Clonagoose Cemetery Mass on Sunday 1st July 3pm Mass on Monday 2nd & Friday 6th July 7.30pm Friday 6th July is the Annual Mass for the Sick Mass Tues 3rd – Thurs 5th July at 10am Ballymurphy Servers Sat 30th June Group 3

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

Visiting The Sick: Fr. Rory will visit the sick on his list on Thursday 5th July in the Rathanna & Ballymurphy areas and on Friday 6th July in the Borris area.

GRAVEYARD MASSES & PRAYERS

Rathanna August 5th 3pm Ballymurphy August 26th 3pm <u>Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes:</u> The Parish Pilgrimage this year 5 night package starting on **Tuesday 07 August 2018**. The cost would be EUR 755.00 per person sharing a twin / double room and EUR 155.00 for the single room supplement. For booking forms please call to the Parish Centre.

The cost would include the following;

Transport & Accommodation

- Transfer to and from Dublin airport
- Flight from Dublin to Lourdes• Transfer on arrival from the airport to the hotel with guide assistance
- Accommodation in the Hotel Paradis• Breakfast, lunch and evening meal served each day at hotel
- Transfer to Lourdes Airport for return flight• Luxury air-conditioned coach for all transfers and tours

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES - POPE FRANCIS EVENTS

Tickets for Knock Shrine & for the Final Mass on Sunday 26th August in Phoenix Park 2018 will be available for booking on Monday 25th June from the kandle website <u>www.kandle.ie</u> or if you wish you can leave your names in to the Parish Centre and we will book tickets for you.

The Final Mass for WMOF2018 & the Knock Shrine Event are **free ticketed** events for Standing Only sections. Every adult and child in attendance will require a ticket to access the venue.

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.

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 7th &8th at St Catherine's Community Service Centre, Carlow Oct 19th &20th at The Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow How to Book a place? Book on line www.accord.ie Contact Mary at Accord Carlow 059 9138738 for further information

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'The important thing is that each believer discern his or her own path, that they bring out the very best of themselves, the most personal gifts that God has placed in their hearts, rather than hopelessly trying to imitate something not meant for them'.

Pope Francis, Gaudete et Exsultate, 11

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK