

# PARISH NEWS

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims**

20<sup>th</sup> November 2016

*A new kind of royalty*

Kings, queens, princes and princesses – all hold a fascination for us ordinary folk, their lives so far removed from our day to day lives. Newspapers and magazines make a big business of keeping readers up to date on what real-life royals are up to, often attempting to emphasise how ‘ordinary’ their lives are too – they are normal people just like you and me! Children continue to enjoy fairytales involving princes and princesses – but the genre has been somewhat subverted in recent years with the advent of unconventional royal heroes such as *Frozen’s* Elsa or *Brave’s* Merida. Our perception of what it means to be royalty is slowly changing.

In Jesus’ time, people had certain expectations of a king. They expected that the great messianic king would lead a rebellion and bring war and judgement, and that he would establish his kingdom on earth. The Jesus that we see in today’s Gospel appears to be the exact opposite, which is why he is mocked on the cross. A true king would be able to save himself from humiliation and death.

But Jesus is a different sort of king, and one of the criminals hanging beside Jesus is the first to recognise this – the first person, too, to witness the forgiveness and reconciliation that Jesus came to bring. That is what his kingdom is all about.

**Collections:** 13<sup>th</sup> Nov Envelopes €580 Baskets €900  
No of Envelopes Direct Debits

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

**Mass Schedule:** Mass on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> & Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov at 7.30pm  
Mass Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> November 9am  
Ballymurphy Servers Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Nov Group 2

**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.

**November List of the Dead** November is the month of the Holy Souls and you will find a blue envelope in your box of envelopes in which to place your list of the Dead and donation for 2016.

**Polish Charismatic Meeting** 21<sup>st</sup> November at 6.30pm in The Sacred Heart Church, Borris.

**Polish Mass** on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in The Sacred Heart Church, Borris.

All welcome.

**WINTER MARKET** IN SUPPORT OF FAMILY CARERS CARLOW ON SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2016, IN THE YOUTH CENTRE GREEN LANE, CARLOW FROM 10am -5pm.  
ADMISSION: ADULTS E2 CHILDREN FREE ...FUN FAMILY DAY OUT. ALL WELCOME.

### **Message to Parishioners**

I am an Irish-American from New York who has traced my Irish family to Ballyglisheen and Gowlin, County Carlow. Seeking any living descendants of Thomas Ryan (b1842) and Bridget Morrissey (b1845) or their children-Dennis, Mary, Margaret, James, Johanna, John, and Hugh. Their sister Bridget, who emigrated to America, was my great-grandmother. Contact Deirdre McInerney by email at [dmacastin@aol.com](mailto:dmacastin@aol.com), or leave a message in the Parish Centre.  
Deirdre

**CEART – Grow**, Barrack Street, Kilkenny: Fridays 11am – 1pm:

Is your life restricted and compromised by chronic illness? Join our support group to break the cycle and take control of your life. Our meetings have been running since 2005 – We are a mutual help group providing ongoing support, information and encouragement to people managing chronic illness. Much research around the world has shown that mutual help of this kind is a crucial ingredient in tackling illness. The mutual help group not only provides understanding and encouragement but it taps into each person's unique experience of learning to live above and in spite of illness.

Contact Mary on 087 284 3424 or visit [www.grow.ie](http://www.grow.ie)

Are you interested in **Irish wildflowers** and encouraging nature back into your garden, village, School or Business?

The Environment Department of Carlow County Council are hosting a free Workshop on Wednesday 23rd November 7.30pm -9.30pm in the Town hall Carlow.

The workshop is called Wildflowers and biodiversity, The Irish experience.

Places are limited and offered on a first come basis. Please call Jannette O'Brien on 059-9136232 to book your place.

## *THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK*

### **World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims**

All churches in County Carlow will include a prayer for Road Accident victims this weekend. Every year, the third Sunday of November is the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims. This day focuses on both the overall scale and the individual devastation caused by road deaths and injuries and the impact on families and communities around the world. Almost 4,000 people are killed and many hundreds of thousands injured on roads throughout the world every day. Many more have to cope with bereavement or the effects of injury and thus become part of the huge group of people affected by road carnage.

World Day of Remembrance is marked throughout the world.

**One hundred and sixty four people (164) died on Irish roads in 2016 up to last Monday – 31 higher than at the same date last year.**