

PARISH NEWS

Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection

21st April 2019

For all eternity

'It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark...' So begins today's Gospel reading, the Gospel we listen to every Easter Sunday. This opening line sets the scene for the events of that first Easter, when first Mary of Magdala, and then Simon Peter and the other disciple, discover the empty tomb and come to the realisation that Jesus has risen from the dead. It is only at this moment that they understand what Jesus had been trying to teach them. Their eyes are opened. They see and they believe.

And what about us, this Easter? What do we believe? Easter is about more than simply recalling or commemorating the resurrection of Jesus. By raising Jesus from the dead, God also opened up for us the way to eternal life. This feast is the reason for our faith and the reason for our hope. Our celebration today raises us up and renews us in faith, hope and love.

Let us love one another and pray,
Let us love one another and be faithful,
Let us love one another and be humble,
Let us love one another and be filled
with the charity of God.
Let us love one another with God, in
God, and for God,
And we shall thus be one with God for
all eternity.

Cornelia Connelly, foundress, Society of the Holy Child Jesus

Timetable of Ceremonies for Easter Week

Holy Thursday 18th April **No** morning Mass, Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Borris.

Good Friday 19th April Day of Fast & Abstinence. Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00pm in Borris & 7.00pm in Ballymurphy.

Holy Saturday 20th April. At 11am we will have the *Blessing of Food for the Polish Community*. Easter Confessions in Borris from 11.30am to 12 noon. Vigil Mass at 9.00pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Borris

EASTER SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Rathanna 9am, Ballymurphy 10.30am, Borris 12 noon

No Mass Mon 22nd to Thurs 25th April Inclusive.

Mass on Friday 26th April at 7.30pm, w/e 27th/28th Masses as normal.

Borris Pilgrimage to Lourdes – Fr. Rory

19th July – 25th July 2019

Duration: 6 Nights in Hotel Solitude, Lourdes, Full Board Basis

Cost: €839 p.p.s. Includes transfers, taxes & travel insurance

Deposit €200 required by 26th April

To Book: Contact Tully's Travel, Carlow 059-9136100

Booking forms also available in The Parish Centre

Collections: 14th April Envelopes €923 Baskets €602
 No of Envelopes 63 Direct Debits 4
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Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

Parish Centre:

The Office Centre will be closed from Monday 22nd to Friday 26th April (Incl.)

Back open on Monday 29th April

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) – Mr. Mick Daly** Mob: 085-8021633, e-mail – dlp@kandle.ie

Pilgrimage to Santiago

Including Walking the Camino

‘The Portuguese Way’

August 20th – 27th 2019

Fr. John O’Brien

Cost €890 p.p.s. Incl Transfers & Taxes

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

New life waking in the meadows,

Spring returns once more;

Easter blessings touch our hearts and weary spirits soar.

Share the hope of Easter morning,

All this day can bring;

Share the wonder of the season

And the joy of Spring.

Iris Hesselden

HAVE A WONDERFUL EASTER