

PARISH NEWS

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st August 2016

Do I know you?

What a frightening thought, that the master would reject us and deny that he knows us. To think that we would have done our best to live a good life, only to meet him at the narrow door and be denied admission!

Yet many of us think we have it all sussed. Like in today's Gospel, we think we are surely safe. But there is a certain complacency in the voices that plead to the master 'We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets'- as if it is enough to have a passing acquaintance with Jesus. Those are not the words of someone who really knows the master and deserves to enter his house. We may think we won't be denied eternal salvation because we say our prayers, go to Mass every Sunday, and try our best to live good and holy lives. Wouldn't it be disappointing after all that if we turned into someone that Christ does not recognise?

There are elements in all our lives that Christ would not recognise. What are the areas in our lives that need to change, in order that he might invite us in?

Collections: 14th/15th August Envelopes €423 Baskets €664
No of Envelopes 55 Direct Debits 3
Our thanks and appreciation to all who subscribe so generously to the Parish

Mass Schedule: Mass on Monday 22nd & Friday 26th August
Mass Tues 23rd – Thurs 25th August at 9am

Fr. Rory Nolan P.P.

We welcome Fr. Rory to Borris Parish and wish him the best of luck, health and happiness here.
Fr. Rory's contact details are Ph: 087-2714161, email rorypmnolan68@gmail.com

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.

**The Parish Centre will be closed from Monday 22nd August – Friday 26th August Incl.
Back open on Monday 29th August.**

Visiting The Sick: Fr. Rory will visit the Sick on his list on the **1st Thursday** of each month in the Rathanna & Ballymurphy areas, and on the **1st Friday** of each month in the Borris area from now on. If you wish to be put on the list please contact Fr. Rory or the Parish Centre with you details.

For September that will be Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd

Yearly Envelopes We would appreciate if those people who usually distribute the Parish Envelopes could call to the Parish Centre to collect them please.

'Follow me up to Carlow' Benefit night in aid of Co Carlow Hospice featuring special guests Paddy Cole, Mary Duff and Leo from 'Fair City'. Thursday September 1st in the Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow at 8pm. Tickets E20 available from the hotel or on the night. Your support is much appreciated.

Graveyard Patterns this Summer

Ballymurphy Pattern : Sunday August 28th 3pm

Pre-Marriage Courses Accord Carlow are currently taking bookings for Pre-marriage courses on Sept 2nd & 3rd, October 7th & 8th, Nov 4th & 5th. All couples getting married in the Catholic Church are obliged to attend a Pre-marriage Course. To reserve a place book on line at www.accord.ie or phone Mary at 059 9138738 for further information.

A new contemporary stained glass mural in County Carlow

'1916 Commemorative Stained Glass Mural' by artist Peadar Lamb was unveiled last week in Carlow County Museum as part of the Carlow Ireland 2016 Centenary Programme. This innovative and unique contemporary stained glass mural illustrates a Carlow narrative showing key Carlow figures and the role they played in 1916. The piece is now on view to the public. Museum Opening Hours: Monday - Saturday 10.00am - 5.00pm; Sundays & Banks Holidays 2.00pm - 4.30pm, Admission is free.

Heritage Week 2016

National Heritage Week takes place 20th-28th August this year, with over 40 events and activities happening across county Carlow. There is a great line up of events allowing you to explore wildlife along the Barrow, learn more about Carlow's military heritage, experience village life as it was in 1916, learn a new skill with a weaving demonstration and join in on informative walks, talks and much, much more!

To see the full Programme visit www.carlow.ie, and find 'Heritage Week 2016' under 'News'.
National Heritage Week is co-ordinated by the Heritage Council and promoted and supported by Carlow County Council.

Volunteer with Sage Support and Advocacy Service for Older People

Sage needs volunteers to help speak up for older people across all care settings. Sage will provide QQI accredited training and ongoing support.

For more information call 086 183 1428, email michelle.rooney@sage.thirdageireland.ie or see www.sage.thirdageireland.ie

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Three Sayings

We become what we love and who we love shapes what we become

Love God, serve God. Everything is in that.

Love that does not know of suffering is not worthy of the name.

Clare of Assisi – Feast Day, 11 August

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK