# PARISH NEWS

# Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time 21st October 2018 MISSION SUNDAY

### Your mission.....

Tom Cruise is no stranger to performing outrageous stunts. He has scaled buildings, clung to sheer rock faces, and dangled out of helicopters, all in the name of entertainment, and his movies are all the better and more realistic for it. Time and time again, the daredevil actor has pushed himself to his limits, and his methods succeed in shaking audiences out of their ennui and transporting them to a world where anything is possible. In the latest Mission Impossible film, he broke his ankle while filming a rooftop leap, but true to form he simply kept on running.

What has a movie star got to do with Mission Sunday? This day is set aside every October to encourage us all to reflect on the mission we have been given to spread the gospel. For some brave men and women, this involves leaving their home and travelling abroad, building up the Church in challenging and sometimes dangerous circumstances. For all of us, it involves an attempt to live out the teachings of Jesus and spread the good news, whatever our situation in life. It takes courage, and sometimes we need to push ourselves to our limits, beyond our comfort zones. Though we stumble and things can get difficult – we have doubts perhaps, or are ridiculed for our faith or lifestyle – we do our best to keep on going.

The Mission Impossible movies each include the instruction: 'Your mission, should you choose to accept it....' This Mission Sunday, we are called to play our part in the Church's missionary work?

> 14<sup>th</sup> October Envelopes €645 Collections: Baskets €568 No of Envelopes 57 **Direct Debits 4**

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

Mass Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Friday 26th<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 7.30pm Mass Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> – Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 10am Mass Schedule:

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.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO MOUNT LEINSTER RANGERS ON CLINCHING THEIR EIGHTH CARLOW TITLE



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2019

#### CONFIRMATION BORRIS SATURDAY 6TH APRIL

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION BORRIS SATURDAY 18TH MAY

#### **Mission Sunday:**

The most important day of this month is World Mission Sunday, which takes place on the 21st. This is the one Sunday in the year that Pope Francis asks you to pray a little stronger and dig a little deeper so that faith, hope and love can flourish. Contributions given on World Mission Sunday will support the fearless and selfless work of our missionaries, who live shoulder-to-shoulder with people in communities that are struggling and often war-torn. Mission Month and Mission Sunday is a time for you to fully appreciate the dedication of these missionaries who are there before, during and after any crisis. World Mission Sunday is coordinated by 'World Missions Ireland', originally known as the Pontifical Mission Societies. It is the Church's official charity for overseas mission, and is part of a worldwide network of over 120 charities. Many of the international offices go by the name 'Missio'. World Missions Ireland and their fellow charities ensure that the contribution you give on Mission Sunday will be justly distributed to where the need is greatest within our universal Church. You can donate €4.00 now, by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. (Texts cost €4. World Missions Ireland will receive a minimum of €3.60. Service Provider LikeCharity. Helpline 076 680 5278. Republic of Ireland only.) For more information, go to www.wmi.ie.

# <u>YEARLY ENVELOPES</u> – THOSE WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED A BOX OF ENVELOPES AND WISH TO HAVE ONE MAY CALL IN TO THE PARISH CENTRE AT THE USUAL OPENING TIMES

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

## Harvest Thanksgiving

A cascade of cabbage and carrot,
A kaleidoscope of curly kale,
A trumpeting of tubers and a bursting of sprouts,
A partnership of parsnip, celery and mushroom,
A blush of beetroot in a line-up of leeks,
A winsome onion and a scintillating cucumber,
A broccoli-crowned turnip nudging a cauliflower,
All pressing around an incongruously exotic pineapple.
Harvest is a time for the giving of glory,
Fruit of the earth and work of human hands.
Gathered and gatherers sing the Giver's praises
In the gentle glory of an October evening.

