

PARISH NEWS

The Most Holy Trinity

27th May 2018

Relational Beings

Three years ago this week, Pope Francis issued his encyclical on the environment, *Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home*. In it, he calls for action to halt the destruction of the planet, arguing that preserving our natural environment should be an essential part of the Church's mission. The word 'creation' has a broader meaning than just nature or our world; it has to do with God's loving plan in which the earth itself and every creature has value.

But why are we talking about the environment on this, the feast of the Most Holy Trinity? Well, in *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis tells us that the Trinity is embedded in all of creation. Just as God is a communion, every one of God's creatures is relational, and the world a web of relationships. 'The Trinity has left its mark on all creation,' says Pope Francis. The implication of this is that we are all connected, we all share a common home, and we have a duty to protect and care for all that belongs to God. We need to become more aware of how our lifestyles affect both the earth and others, particularly those on the margins of society, and to consider also whether our actions are fair to future generations.

Let us pray today, with Pope Francis:

'Triune Lord,
wondrous community of infinite love,
teach us to contemplate you
in the beauty of the universe,
for all things speak of you.'

Collections: 20th May Envelopes €587 Baskets €663
 No of Envelopes 67 Direct Debits 4

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

Mass Schedule; Mass on Monday 28th & Friday 1st June 7.30pm
 Mass Tues 29th– Thurs 31st May at 10am
 Ballymurphy Servers Sat 26th May **Group 1**

First Communion Ballymurphy Sunday 27th May at 1pm

Please note that on the weekend of 26th/27th the Rathanna Mass normally on Sunday morning at 9.30am will be on Saturday evening 26th at 7.30pm

Visiting the Sick: Fr. Rory will visit the sick on his list on Thursday 31st May in the Ballymurphy & Rathanna areas and on Friday 1st June in the Borris area.

Retired Priests Collection: We are appealing for the support of the parishioners of the diocese to help us in providing an allowance to retired priests and to assist them with their accommodation and healthcare. Bishop Denis and the priests of the diocese thank you for your ongoing contributions for priests' collections and in particular for your support. There is an envelope in your box for this purpose, also part of the basket collection on the 1st weekend in June will be for this purpose.

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

Novena to the Sacred Heart from 31st May to 8th June – Leaflets for the Novena will be available in Rathanna Church.

Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Bishop Denis Nulty invites you to join with him and parishioners from across the diocese at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock on Sunday 3rd June 2018 with the Diocesan Choir directed by Fr. Liam Lawton. Ceremonies begin at 2.30pm in the Basilica.

Local Bus to Knock on Sunday 3rd June – departing Borris at 7am. Adults €20, Children €10
Return approx. 10pm. For further Details Contact Loughlin Doyle 085-8089125, John Coady 051-424628

Sacred Heart Church 2020 Celebrations

In 2020 our Parish Church in Borris, the Sacred Heart, celebrates its 200th Anniversary. We are looking for ideas on how to celebrate this as a Parish. We would welcome also old photos and stories about the Church which we can integrate into our celebrations. All of these can be emailed to a special email address borris2020@gmail.com **Fr. Rory**

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

For the light of the sun in the sky.
For the light which shines through the window.
For the light that shines early in the morning.
For the light that shines late in the evening.
We give God thanks and praise.

Solas na gréine sa spéir.
An solas a scalann tríd an fhuinneog.
An solas a scalann ar maidin.
An solas a scalann tráthnona.
Molaimid thú aus gabhaimid buíochas leat, a Dhia.

The Family Prayer Book (Veritas 2013)

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK