PARISH NEWS

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed 2nd November 2014

'Come to me.... And I will give you rest'

In all our lives we carry many burdens. Sometimes we carry them in such a way that they help us grow, at other times we allow them to eat away at us, making them very heavy indeed. Jesus is not saying that we will not have burdens to carry. But he is telling us to find rest in him. Jesus is offering refreshment and peace. Even when those we love pass into eternal life, we are consoled in knowing that they are at peace and that we will be united with them again.

We perform many rituals in remembering the dead, especially in the month of November. Today we might light a candle, say a prayer, visit a church or grave, look at old photographs. We can be thankful for the many ways in which our loved ones shaped us, cared for us, and who are with us as we continue to journey through life.

We are who we are today and we are where we are today, because of those whose lives have touched ours and who have let our lives touch theirs. God, in the magnificence of things, does not intend us to be neutral when we lose those who have loved us. So. Our grief has to be tinged with gratitude for lives which have shaped us, for hands that have held us, for eyes which have beheld us, for ears that have listened to us.

Collections: 26th Oct 2014 Envelopes €423 Baskets €835

No. Of Envelopes Returned 66 Direct Debits 4

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

Mass Schedule:Mass at 7.30pm on Mon 3rd & Fri. 7th Nov.
No Mass Tues 4th - Thurs 6th Nov.

Borris Parish Website : www.borrisparish.ieDiocesan website www.kandle.ieParish Centre:The Parish Centre is open as usual Mon. – Fri. from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm.059 9773128; email borrisparish@gmail.comClosed Bank holidays.

Mass for Those who Died during the Year, from 1st November 2013 to 31st October 2014, will be celebrated on Wednesday 12th November at 7.30pm in The Sacred Heart Church, Borris. If there is someone (not necessarily from this parish) you would like remembered in this Mass, who died during the year, please write their names on the list which will be placed at the back of all the churches from this coming weekend. **Eist Cancer Support Centre** opens each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9.30a.m. - 4.00p.m. The Centre operates a drop in service during these times.

Autumn Schedule now up and running, Yoga each Wednesday at 11.30a.m. Pottery each Thursday at 10.30a.m. Our 15 week walking programme "Strides for Life" continues each Thursday morning in Eire Og GAA Grounds starting at 11.00a.m. New Members Welcome at any time.New Members Welcome.

The Irish Cancer Society's Care to Drive service is currently seeking volunteer drivers to drive **local** patients to and from their hospital chemotherapy treatments. We are looking for volunteers to pick a patient up at their home, drive them to the door of the hospital, then when they have finished treatment, to pick them up again and bring them home. <u>The service is free to the patient and all drivers expenses are paid</u>. Telephone the Irish Cancer Society on 01 2310 566 / 01 2316 642 or email <u>transport@irishcancer.ie</u>

County Carlow Women's Network with the **MABS** (Money and Budgeting Advice Service) are offering a 3 week Budgeting programme for Women for all ages around Carlow starting on Monday Nov 3rd at 7pm- 9pm in the Cathedral Parish Centre for 3 consecutive Mondays–It is free course and includes refreshments. This is a great opportunity to get some hints and tips around general budgeting but also on line shopping and general living. This workshop can to adapted to what needs of the group actually are. Contact Olive on 087 6165690 to reserve your place as limited numbers available.

Foróige Information Meeting An information meeting on establishing a Foróige Junior & Foróige Senior Club in Borris will take place on Wednesday night November 5th @ 8.00pm in Borris community hall. Foróige caters for young people aged from 10 - 18 years. For more information contact Rosie O'Brien 086 2997677 / rosie.obrien@foroige.ie

Indulgences from 12 noon on Sat 1st November until midnight on 2nd Nov. ; all who have confessed, received Holy Communion and prayed for the Pope's intentions (1 Our Father & Hail Mary or any other prayer) can gain a plenary indulgence by visiting a church or oratory and there reciting 1 Our Father and The Apostles Creed. The indulgence is only applicable to the souls of the departed. Confession may be made within the week preceding or following 1st Nov. Holy Communion may be received on any day from 1st to 8th Nov. The faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence applicable on to the Holy Souls on the usual conditions , (as above) once a day from 1st to 8th Nov.

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 2014-15. Throughout the coming year a Mass will be offered in each of the churches for the deceased on this List.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK THAT NOVEMBER FEELING

The year quickens to a close; nature slows down its activity. Traditionally November is a time when we remember the dead in a special way. Gravestones, Memorial cards, Cemeteries, Anniversaries Masses, are really about the same thing – keeping our dead alive. These are simple ways in which we continue the regard that we held for our family members in life. It. Our memory of them is a kind one, which like our God who is more anxious to search out what is good, than to condemn.

'Remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again. Bring them into the light of your presence'.

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK