# PARISH NEWS

## Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### Be tolerant

In the second reading from St James today we hear of a condemnation of the rich who exploit the weak. This theme carries on to the gospel where Jesus has harsh words for anyone who would try to bring down 'the little ones'. It is a lesson in tolerance. As we approach the end of this annual celebration of the Season of Creation let today's gospel be a call to care for the weak and vulnerable. Through our exploitation of the earth's goods it is the poorest of the world who suffer. Let us always be conscious of our responsibility to be stewards of creation, to connect more deeply with the wonderous world around us, to take action against all that threatens our natural environment.

In a few days we celebrate the Feast of St Francis (4 October), patron saint of ecology. Perhaps by hosting a blessing for animals, a local clean up, trying to go plastic free, we can mark this special time in some way and embrace our role as stewards of creation.

'God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth, for not one of them is forgotten in your sight. Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference, that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live. The poor and the earth are crying out.'

Laudato Si', 245

23<sup>rd</sup> September Collections: Envelopes €529 Baskets €773

> No of Envelopes 64 **Direct Debits 3**

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Mass Monday 1<sup>st</sup> & Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 7.30pm Mass Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> – Thurs 4<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.

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

#### "MY JOURNEY WITH TESTICULAR CANCER" - by FR. JOHN O'BRIEN

Fr. John has produced a booklet about his recent cancer. Copies are available in the Parish Centre (a donation of €5 per copy to cover costs would be appreciated).

## <u>YEARLY ENVELOPES</u> – THOSE WHO DISTRIBUTE THE YEARLY BOXES OF PARISH ENVELOPES MAY COLLECT THEM AT THE PARISH CENTRE BEFORE THE END OF SEPTEMBER – THANK YOU

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

## An Invitation From Bishop Denis

In appreciation of your contribution to World Meeting of Families 2018
I warmly invite you to join me for a

Mass of Thanksgiving

in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Friday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Followed by refreshments in Cathedral Parish Centre

RSVP Bishopshouse@kandle.ie by Tuesday, September 25

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK