

Sister Anne Carr of the **Medical Missionaries of Mary** will speak at the weekend Masses of 5th/6th March in this parish as part of the Mission Awareness Programme.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje y Dubrovnik from the 14th. September – 21st. September.

4 nights Medjugorje and 3 nights Dubrovnik.

Price €995 (Incl. all airport taxes and charges)

Price includes: Coach from Borris - Dublin Airport & return

Return flight from Dublin to Dubrovnik - depart Dublin 14 September at 07.30hrs, arrive Dubrovnik at 11.45hrs. Return 21st September depart Dubrovnik at 12.30hrs, arrive Dublin at 15.00hrs.

· All transfers – return airport transfers and transfer between Medjugorje and Dubrovnik Four nights half-board guesthouse accommodation in Medjugorje close to St James's church

· Three nights BB in the 4 star hotel Neptun in Dubrovnik in standard rooms
City guided tour of Dubrovnik - Elaphite island cruise excursion - Full religious programme in Medjugorje

In 2009 we did this pilgrimage with a group from the Parish and those who travelled thoroughly enjoyed it. Being the extraordinary year of Mercy we decided to repeat this. If you are interested you would need to get your name in with Tully's Travel in Carlow, as soon as possible. We need about 20 people to make it feasible.

Further information from Fr. John or Ann in the Parish office or Donna (059-9136100) in Tully's Travel Carlow.

David Quinn of Iona Institute and Kate Bopp of Family & Life will speak at a Pro Life talk on "How to Protect the 8th Amendment" at the River Court Hotel, Kilkenny on Tuesday February 2nd at 7:30pm in the Pembroke suite. All welcome!

Catholic Schools Week 2016 begins on January 31 and ends on February 6. The theme for this year is 'Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy.' Next week is Catholic schools week and to mark this occasion we will have the Commissioning of the members of the new Board of Management of Borris Mixed National School on Sunday 31st Jan at 11am Mass in Borris. The Commissioning of the new Board for Ballymurphy National School will be on Saturday 6th Feb Mass in Ballymurphy.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Prayer for Grandparents Mass on Wednesday 3^d February during Catholic Schools Week

Loving God,

Bless all our grandparents,

those with us here today,

those who cannot be with us

and those who have gone to be with you.

May they heed your call to share their wisdom and faith with us.

May they have courage and confidence

to hand on your gifts

of experience and knowledge

of stories, songs and memories.

May they continue to learn and grow with us day by day.

Bless them and all of us gathered here today with length of days and joy at the last.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.



HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK