# PARISH NEWS

# The Most Holy Trinity 31st May 2015

### **Healthy Doubt**

Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday. We hear in the Gospel today that some of those gathered doubted even in the presence of the Risen Lord. We may be shocked that the disciples could doubt, even in Jesus's presence. But it should also console us. Doubt helps us ask questions and helps our faith to grow. It is healthy, it is sometimes necessary; it reminds us of the mystery of God. Those who claim they know for certain, surely have no room for growth. And we know that the disciples learned and grew and faced many challenges along the way. It was a very human journey. And so it is for us. Jesus offers us the assurance that he is with us always, even when doubt clouds our vision. We do not emerge the other side unchanged. Doubt can sometimes help us in our faith; it keeps our mind open, our hearts searching and can bring us to a new point if we allow it. 'Each one of you has to be God's microphone. Each one of you has to be a messenger, a prophet...Where is your Baptism? You are baptised in your profession, in the fields of workers, in the market. Wherever there is someone who has been baptised, that is where the Church is. There is a prophet there. Let us not hide the talent that God gave us on the day of our baptism and let us truly live the beauty and responsibility of being a prophetic people.'

#### Oscar Romero

Collections: 24<sup>th</sup> May Envelopes €466 Baskets €697 No of Envelopes 64 Direct Debits 4

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

Mass Schedule: Mass on Saturday 31st May at 7.30pm in the Sacred

Heart Church, Borris by Fr. Sean Kelly. This is an

evening Parish Mass also.

Mass at 7.30pm on Mon 1<sup>st</sup> & Fri 5<sup>th</sup> June Mass Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> - Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> June at 9am

Ballymurphy Servers Sat 30th May - Group 4

Parish Centre: The Parish Centre is open as usual Mon. – Fri. from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm.

Phone 059 9773128; email <a href="mailto:borrisparish@gmail.com">borrisparish@gmail.com</a> Closed Bank Holidays Borris Parish Website: <a href="mailto:www.borrisparish.ie">www.borrisparish.ie</a> Diocesan website <a href="mailto:www.kandle.ie">www.kandle.ie</a>

The Parish Centre will be closed on Monday 1st June Bank Holiday

#### Kildare & Leighlin Diocese

Diocesan Collection for Our Retired Priests 23rd/24th May

We are appealing for the support of the parishioners of the diocese for this collection 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 on-going contributions for priests collections and in particular for your support.

The Eist Cancer Support Centre is open: Tues to Thurs from 9.30am to 4pm 059 91 39684 The Eist Cancer Support Centre The Waterfront Mill Lane, Carlow which provides practical help and emotional support to anyone affected by cancer in County Carlow and the surrounding areas opens Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am to 4.30pm. You are free to contact us at 059-9139684 or drop-in during our opening hours. We are still looking for people to support us by walking/jogging/running the VHI Women's Mini Marathon on June 1st.

We are grateful for this ongoing support to Eist Cancer Support Centre.

Please contact us at: Eist Cancer Support Centre Carlow, The Waterfront ,Mill Lane, Carlow Town Website: www.eistcarlowcancersupport.ie

**Dates for Your Diary** Weekend Pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick & Knock Sat 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunday28<sup>th</sup> June 2015 €100 per person, includes bus, dinner & bed & breakfast in hotel. Please book as soon as possible if you are interested in this pilgrimage as we need to finalise details. The deposit is €20 per person.

**Borris Garda Station** will remain closed until August this year - date to be confirmed - as further work is being carried out. Existing arrangements where a Garda is available in Borris Library on Wednesdays between 4pm and 5pm will remain in place until then.

You can still phone Borris Gardaí at 059-9773102, it is diverted to a mobile number, or you can phone Bagenalstown Gardaí at 059-9721212

**Day Pilgrimage To Knock** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Departing from Borris at 7am. Adults €20, Children €10 Contact Loughlin Doyle 059-9724242 & 085-8089125 or John Coady 051-424628 We can also collect people in Bagenalstown & Leighlinbridge

**Pre-Marriage Course** Accord Carlow have a few places left on the June 12 &13th course. This will be the last course before Sept 2015. Couples getting married this summer or early autumn should book a place on this course now. **Bookings can be made on www.accord.ie** or for further information contact Mary 059 9138738.

# THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

#### PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE AT EXAM TIME

Holy Spirit. Be with me at this time of examinations and grant me your counsel, so that I may prepare wisely. Grant me understanding, so that I may grasp the knowledge I am trying to learn. Grant me fortitude so that I may have courage at the time of examination to face the challenge. May I pray to you with faith for what I need. Grant me your wisdom so that I may see the examinations are but a part of life and whether I do well or not is part of a bigger picture, part of a greater plan you have for me and for all the world. I make this prayer through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

# For the Help of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May we be assisted, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by the worshipful intercession of Thy glorious Mother, the ever-Virgin Mary; that we, who have been enriched by her perpetual blessings, may be delivered from all dangers, and through her loving kindness made to be one heart and mind: who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

## HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK