PARISH NEWS

Third Sunday of Easter 5th May 2019

Come and have breakfast

The theme of light and darkness in John's Gospel is strong. In today's reading, we hear that it was 'just after daybreak' when Jesus appeared to the disciples. The disciples had been fishing all night but caught nothing. Then, with the dawn, Jesus appears on the beach and gently suggests that they cast the nets on the other side of the boat. We are invited to reflect on resurrection here, moments where we were given a sense of new life, and with that, an abundance of gifts. Perhaps a friendship had broken down or we were dealing with a crisis. Like the disciples, we may have simply been going through the motions of day to day life, in the dark, without much enthusiasm. And then....daybreak. A gentle voice guided us, a friend or in a moment of prayer. In time, we realised that this was Jesus' voice pointing us in the right direction, and once we allowed ourselves to be guided by Him, the 'catch' was huge.

The end of the passage sees Jesus ask Peter three times if he loves him. Peter is once again by a charcoal fire so this scene mirrors the three denials of Peter during the trial of Jesus. Peter becomes upset, and one can understand the regrets he must have. Yet here, Jesus is giving Peter the space to undo his denials. There is healing, new life. We can imagine Jesus' question to Peter at the end of the passage being addressed to us: 'Simon, son of John, do you love me? Tend my sheep! Place yourself in this story throughout the week.

Borris Pilgrimage to Lourdes – Fr. Rory 19th July – 25th July 2019

Duration: 6 Nights in Hotel Solitude, Lourdes, Full Board Basis Cost: €839 p.p.s. Includes transfers, taxes & travel insurance Deposit €200 required by 26th April

To Book: Contact Tully's Travel, Carlow 059-9136100

Booking forms also available in The Parish Centre

Collections:21st AprilEnvelopes €613Baskets €137228th AprilEnvelopes €457Baskets €588

No of Envelopes75/59 Direct Debits 3/4
Our thanks and appreciation to all who subscribe so generously to the Parish

Visiting the Sick: Fr. Rory will visit the sick on his list on Thursday 2nd May in the Ballymurphy & Rathanna areas and on Friday 3rd May in the Borris area.

Mass Schedule:
No Mass on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May
Mass on Friday 10th May at 7.30pm
Mass Tuesday 7th – Thursday 9th May at 10am

Borris Parish Website: www.borrisparish.ie Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie Parish Centre:

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) – Mr. Mick Daly** Mob: 085-8021633, e-mail – dlp@kandle.ie

Pilgrimage to Santiago
Including Walking the Camino
'The Portuguese Way'
August 20th - 27th 2019
Fr. John O'Brien
Cost €890 p.p.s. Incl Transfers & Taxes
Fr. John O'Brien
Contact Tully's Travel 059-9136100

Carlow Choral Society - Summer Concert - Haydn & Mozart

Carlow Choral Society presents its Summer Concert in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow, on Saturday May 18th at 8.00pm. The programme includes Haydn's dramatic Nelson Mass which is one of Haydn's finest works. The concert will also feature Haydn's dramatic 'Te Deum' and three of Mozart's most beautiful works, Lacrimosa from Requiem, Ave Verum and Laudate Dominum. Conducted by our Musical Director, Blanaid Murphy, with the Irish Choral Sinfonia Orchestra and organist Yvonne Collier and Soloists - Soprano: Aisling Kenny, Alto: Leanne Fitzgerald, Tenor: Jacek Wislocki and Bass: Eoghan Desmond. This promises to be an unforgettable and uplifting performance. Tickets are €20.00 and the concert is free for accompanied children. Tickets are available on www.eventbrite.ie and www.carlowchoralsociety.net and from choir members. For further information contact: Miriam Kelly, Secretary at 087-9422608 or carlowchoralsociety@gmail.com

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

An Irishwoman's Rosary

I bless myself and kiss the Cross,
And the holy Creed I tell;
And the paters and aves trip off my tongue,
For it's me that knows them well;
For it's many a day these same old beads
I told in the same old way;
I got them my first communion morn,
And that's sixty years this May.

From a collection of Irish Folklore, collected in Effin, Co. Limerick, visit www.duchas.ie

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK