

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

Phone 059 9773128; email borrisparish@gmail.com Closed Bank Holidays.

The Parish Centre will be **closed** on Friday 18th March, and also from Good Friday 25th March to Wednesday 29th March (Incl).

Catholicism Journey Around the World and Deep into the Faith - Join us every **Monday** night during Lent for this incredible Journey on DVD in the Sacred Heart Church, Borris after the 7.30pm Mass.

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 & Dubrovnik from the 14th. September – 21st. September. If you are interested in taking part in the pilgrimage we would appreciate if you could let Tully's know as soon as possible as they need to make reservations in the hotels etc.

Phone Donna (059-9136100) in Tully's Travel Carlow.

Trocaire "...but no one who drinks the water I shall give will ever be thirsty again..." *John 4:14.* Millions of farmers in Kenya suffer from a lack of rain due to the effects of climate change. Trócaire is installing irrigation systems and piping in drinking water to ensure farmers can grow enough to feed their families and there is clean water to drink without having to rely on the rain. Join the fight for justice at www.trocaire.org

Pre-Marriage Courses

Couples getting married in the Catholic Church are required to attend a Pre-Marriage Course

If you intend to get married this summer or early autumn 2016 you should now book a Pre-Marriage Course Accord Carlow have places available on the following courses at St Catherine's Community Centre Carlow April 8th & 9th, May 6th & 7th, June 10th & 11th

There will be no courses in July & August

Booking can be made on line at www.accord.ie or phone Mary at 059 9138738 for further information

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

BLESSING PRAYER FOR MOTHERS DAY

God of love, listen to this prayer. God of Holy People, of Sarah, Ruth and Rebecca. God of Holy Elizabeth, mother of John, of Holy Mary, mother of Jesus, bend down your ear to this request and bless the mother of our family.

Bless her with the strength of you spirit, she who has taught her children how to stand and how to walk. Bless her with the melody of your love, she who has shared how to speak, how to sing and how to pray to you. Bless her with a place at your eternal dinner table she who has fed and nurtured the life that has formed within her while still helpless but embraced in her love. Bless her today, now, in this lifetime, with good things, with health. Bless her with joy, love, laughter and pride in her children surround her with many good friends.

May she who carried life in her womb be carried one day to your divine embrace, there, for all eternity to rejoice with her family and friends. This blessing and all graces, we pray, descend upon the mother of our family in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK