

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

13th March 2022 Year C

2nd Sunday of Lent



## The Transfiguration

Things are not always as they seem. When you are talking to someone and they tell you they are very ill, or recovered from addiction, you see more to them. Or you may find out that someone you thought little of visits an elderly person every week. People are not always as they seem. The mountain visit was the same: the apostles saw Jesus – son of God, radiant in prayer, and in the middle of it all the Passion was announced. They saw the person behind the face.

The big truth of Jesus is that he is intimately united to God the Father. So following him is not just action, but prayer that leads to action.

We say someone is a great Christian – he or she helps the poor. Christianity is more – it is also prayer and the Eucharist. While we are thankful for the good lives of many people, we also can say that the full Christian life includes prayer and Mass.

It also involves community – the three were called to witness and help each other remember the Lord Jesus. Community brings the word of God alive in a real way. The community of the Church brings us to fuller faith.

Prayer leads to action for others, and action leads back to prayer. We can be so close to heavenly things that we are no earthly good! Lent brings us into this mystery of the death and resurrection of the Lord – we are part of this, and we try to make life a grace for others. We can transfigure the lives of others, or disfigure. **Let's be people of the transfiguration.**

*Lord show me your face – in myself and in others. Amen.*

**Donal Neary S.J.**  
*Gospel reflections*



**Parish Centre**

Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday  
9am to 2pm



**Parish Contacts**

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*With Love We Remember...*  
*Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th March*

*Borris - Months Mind Mass*

**Sally King Borris**

*Rathanna - Anniversary Mass*

**Tim & Kathleen Brennan Killedmond**

*We also pray for:*

Mary Fleming & her son James Upper Borris

Pat Kehoe Kilcoltrim

Mary Kavanagh, Ballinagree

*Anniversary Masses this Week*

**Wednesday 16th March:** Michael Murphy

& Deceased members of the Murphy family Knock

**Thursday 17th March:** Hugh & Billy Kelly Woodlawn Park

**Friday 18th** NO MASS



*Peace at Last*

May the Lord support us all the day long; till the shades lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then in his mercy, may he give us a safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at last. Amen

*Act of Spiritual Communion*

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

*Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine*

The Annual Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place this year on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Due to Covid this pilgrimage was celebrated via webcam for the past couple of years.

More details to follow  
in the coming weeks.



## Irish Saint of the Week

### St. Patrick



According to the autobiographical *Confessio* of Patrick, when he was about sixteen, he was captured by Irish pirates from his home in Britain and taken as a slave to Ireland, looking after animals; he lived there for six years before escaping and returning to his family. After becoming a cleric, he returned to northern and western Ireland. In later life, he served as a bishop, but little is known about the places where he worked. By the seventh century, he had already come to be revered as the patron saint of Ireland.

Legend credits Patrick with teaching the Irish about the doctrine of the Holy Trinity by showing people the shamrock, a three-leafed plant, using it to illustrate the Christian teaching of three persons in one God.



#### *From St. Patrick's Breastplate*

**Christ with me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit down,  
Christ when I arise,  
Christ in the heart of every  
man who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone  
who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.**

## *Safeguarding*

If you are concerned about the welfare & safety of children or vulnerable adults contact the

**Director of Safeguarding**

**Ms. Kathleen Sherry**

Mob: 085-8021633,

email [safeguarding@kandle.ie](mailto:safeguarding@kandle.ie)

## *Éist Cancer Support Centre*

Éist Cancer Support Centre is now open at  
[46 Idrone Park, Tullow Road, Carlow.](#)

**Mobile: 085 866 1499**

**Phone: 059 9139684**

**Email: [reception@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie](mailto:reception@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie)**



## Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice  
We pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the  
laying down of weapons  
We for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
that your spirit of  
comfort draw near to them.  
We pray for those with  
power over war and peace,  
For wisdom, discernment and compassion  
to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious  
children at risk that you would  
hold and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus,  
the Prince of Peace.

*Archbishop Justin Welby  
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell*



## Support Helplines

**Alone:** Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.,  
081 822 2024.

**Third Age Ireland:** Free Phone 1800 80 45 91  
10am and 10pm on any day of the week.

**Childline:** Free Phone 1 800 66 66 66

**Barnardos:**

Monday to Friday 10.00am to 2pm  
Free Phone 1 800 91 01 23

[www.mentalhealthireland.ie](http://www.mentalhealthireland.ie)  
[www.youth.ie](http://www.youth.ie)  
[www.hsc.ie](http://www.hsc.ie)

**Women's Aid:** 1800 341 900

**Men's Aid:** 01 554 3811

**Samaritans Helpline** Free Phone 116 123

## Contribution to Parish

**I want to thank you most sincerely for your continued financial support of our churches and parish. Contributions can be made in 3 ways.**

**Directly, by dropping your donation into the Parish Centre**

**By donating via the donation link on our website.**

**Bank transfer directly to:**

**Name of A/C:  
Borris Parish Current  
Account:**

**IBAN:**  
IE02 BOFI 9065 1531 4388 14

**BIC:**  
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*AGAIN THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR  
YOUR SUPPORT  
Fr Rory*

## Mass Times

### Ballymurphy-Borris-Rathanna

#### Weekday Masses

**Monday**      **No Mass**

**Tuesday**     **No Mass**

**Wednesday**    **10am**

**Thursday**  
**St Patrick's Day**  
**11.00am Borris**

**Friday**      **No Mass**

#### Sunday Masses

7.30pm Ballymurphy (Saturday evening)

9.30am Rathanna

11.00am Borris



## SERENITY

### Serenity Prayer

*God grant me the serenity  
to accept the things I cannot change;  
courage to change the things I can;  
and wisdom to know the difference.*