

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Charity Registration No: 20015848

8th January 2023

The Baptism of the Lord, Year A

Parish News

The Baptism of Jesus

The baptism of Jesus is attested to in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The account that appears in Matthew is the only one to include the dialogue between Jesus and John, however. Another difference in Matthew's presentation of this event is the announcement made by the voice from heaven, which says, "This is my beloved son . . ." In Mark and Luke, this voice addresses itself to Jesus: "You are my beloved son . . ."

The baptisms that John performs prefigure Christian Baptism. John baptizes for repentance from sin. In accepting this baptism, Jesus unites himself with all sinners even though he is sinless. In Matthew's Gospel, John the Baptist distinguishes his practice of baptism from the Baptism that the Messiah brings: "I am baptizing you with water . . . He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11).

The baptism of Jesus is another manifestation of Christ, another epiphany. Christ's baptism is the beginning of his public mission. Our Baptism begins our mission as Christians.

This Sunday marks a transition from the Christmas season to Ordinary Time. In a way, today's feast is the high point of the Christmas season. Before Jesus' birth, angels announced to Mary and to Joseph who Jesus would be. At his birth, the shepherds and the Magi recognize Jesus as the Messiah. At his baptism, Jesus accepts that he is God's son and inaugurates that mission.



Parish Contacts



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With Love We Remember...

Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th January



Ballymurphy First Anniversary Mass
Ellie Dalton Headfield & Willie Flood Knock



Rathanna Months Mind Mass
Babs Drennan Crannagh

Borris
Months Mind Mass
John Galvin Leighlinbridge
First Anniversary Mass
Tom Byrne Ballytiglea &
Ted Rookard Inchaphooka

We also pray for:
Matthew McCabe Woodlawn Park

Mass Intentions this Week

Wednesday 11th December: Nora Murphy Woodlawn Park
Thursday 12th January:
Friday 13th January: Willie Hayes Kilcoltrim &
Hannah Carton Perth, Australia, who died during the year

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

takes place each ...

Wednesday in our Parish Church
from 10.30am to 1pm

Thursday in Rathanna Church
from 11am to 6pm.

All Welcome



Social Dancing



Rathanna Hall
Sunday Night 8th January
9.30pm to 12am

Refreshments & Raffle on the night
Music by Michelle Murphy
Admission €10

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.





Borris Parish



Dates for the Diary 2023

CONFIRMATION BORRIS



Saturday 4th March at 11am



FIRST COMMUNION BORRIS

Saturday 20th May 11am

KILTENNEL CEMETERY PRAYERS

Sunday 18th June 12.30pm



SACRED HEART CEMETERY BORRIS

Friday 23rd June 7.30pm

CLONAGOOSE CEMETERY PRAYERS

Friday 30th June 7.30pm



MASS OF THE SICK

Friday 3rd July 7.30pm

RATHANNA PATTERN

Sunday 6th August 3pm



BALLYMURPHY PATTERN

27th August 3pm

MASS FOR THOSE WHO DIED DURING THE YEAR

Wednesday 1st November 7.30pm



MASS OF THE HOLY ANGELS

Wednesday 15th November 7.30pm

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
www.youth.ie
www.hse.ie

Women's Aid: 1800 341 900

Men's Aid: 01 554 3811

Samaritans Helpline Free Phone 116 123

Mass Times

Ballymurphy-Borris-Rathanna

Weekday Masses

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	10am
Thursday	10am
Friday	7.30pm

Sunday Masses

7.30pm Ballymurphy (Saturday evening)
9.30am Rathanna
11.00am Borris

Prayer to our Blessed Mother

Take my hand, O Blessed Mother,
hold me firmly lest I fall.

I am nervous when I'm walking
and to thee I humbly call.

Guide me over every crossing,
watch me when I'm on the stairs,
let me know you are beside me,
listen to my fervent prayers.

Bring me to my destination safely, every single day.
Help me with each undertaking,
as the hours go on their way.

And when evening falls upon me, and I fear to be alone,
take my hand, O Blessed Mother, once again and lead
me home.

Amen

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:
BOFIE2D

Again, thank you so much for your continued support. Fr Rory

Safeguarding

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

Director of Safeguarding
Ms. Kathleen Sherry

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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.**