

# Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Charity Registration No: 20015848

22nd January 2023

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Parish News

## ***Gospel Reading***

***Matthew 4:12-23***

***Jesus begins to preach in Galilee and calls his first disciples.***

Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately.

Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.

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## ***Parish Contacts***



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*With Love We Remember...*  
*Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd January*

*Ballymurphy Anniversary Mass*

Jim McCabe Rocksavage & deceased members of the McCabe Family



*Rathanna Anniversary Mass*  
John Cummins Coshill



*Borris 1st Anniversary Mass*  
Eileen Evans nee Fahey Ballinagrane Borris

*We also pray for:*

Elizabeth Kinsella Kilcoltrim, John Sherwood Bog Lane,  
Michael Murray & his Daughter Cathy Dublin,  
Francis, Catherine & Daniel Foley,  
Margaret Corcoran Ballytiglea,  
Patty Phelan Kilcloney

*Mass Intentions this Week*

*Wednesday 25th January:* Pat Hynes Woodlawn Park

*Thursday 26th January:* **No Mass**

*Friday 27th January:* 1st Anniversary Mass Sr. Veronica Kennedy,  
her brother Jim Kennedy & all deceased members of the Kennedy family

*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*



*1st Holy Communion 2023*

**We welcome to our 11am Mass today the children from 2nd Class in Borris National School who are preparing for their 1st Holy Communion.**

**We ask the Lord to bless them and their families at this very special time.**

*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

**CLONAGOSE 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

## *St. Patrick's N.S., Ballymurphy*



Applications for admission  
for the school year 2023 -2024,

**are now taking place.**

If you are interested in  
enrolling your child for September,  
please call in for a visit,  
see the facilities and meet the teachers.

For further info please contact 059 9773512  
or email:

[ballymurphynationalschool@gmail.com](mailto:ballymurphynationalschool@gmail.com)

## *St Brigid's Day 2023*



St. Brigid is reputed to have been born in the Townland of Umeras. Just outside Monasterevin, Co. Kildare.

This Year a new Bank Holiday to honour St. Brigid takes place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February.

To Commemorate Brigid, Monasterevin Parish have organised a Camino Walk in her honour. **Starting at St. Brigid's Shrine at Mountrice on the Monasterevin – Rathangan Road (R414) @ 11 am on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February (walk is approx. 6km). Car parking provided at Mountrice Cross.**

The Walk will be led by Bishop Denis Nulty and will journey via Umeras then along the New Canal Blue Way, finishing in St. Peter & Pauls Church Monasterevin with a service of light at 12.30 pm.

A bus will leave the Parish Church Monasterevin at 10.30 am to Mountrice and return to Mountrice at 2.00 pm. for those who wish to avail, payment on the bus.

All those who participate will be issued with a special St. Brigid Camino passport that will be stamped at St Peter & Pauls Church and will be given a certificate to say they have completed the Camino.

St Brigid's Crosses and refreshments will be provided on the day.

**For more information,  
please contact  
Monasterevin Parish office:  
045 525346.**

**All WELCOME.**

## 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

<b>Monday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>

### 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**

**Mob: 085-8021633**  
email [safeguarding@kandle.ie](mailto:safeguarding@kandle.ie)

# 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.**