

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Charity Registration No: 20015848

5th March 2023

2nd Sunday in Lent, Year A

Parish News

Background to our Gospel...

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest.

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Parish Contacts



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With Love We Remember...

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th March

Ballymurphy *Anniversary Mass*

Kearns Family Ferns Wexford

Rathanna

Borris *Anniversary Mass*

William, Sean & James Joyce Kilcoltrim



We also pray for:

Patrick Redmond Ballymartin,
John & Mary Kavanagh Ballinagree,
Matt McCabe Woodlawn Park,
Tommy Caulfield Pound Lane,
Mary-Jo Dowling Ballytiglea,

Mass Intentions this Week

Wednesday 8th March: Michael Scully Ballinagree

Thursday 9th March: John & Mary Kavanagh Ballinagree

Friday 10th March: Mary & James Fleming Borris

Mary O'Shea Coolnamara

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



Quote from Pope Francis

God never tires of forgiving us;
we are the ones who tire
of seeking his mercy.

Repent and Believe

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 Lodge Nursing Home Vacancies

Borris Lodge Nursing home have vacancies for HCA (health care assistants) no experience necessary as training will be given also staff nurses required.

**Please forward your C.V.
to joanna@borrislodge.ie
or phone (059) 977 3112.**

Éist Cancer Support Centre

Monday to Thursday: 10am to 4pm



Friday: 10-1pm

Phone: 059-9139684

Trocaire

Trocaire boxes for their
Lenten Appeal
are **available** in the
3 churches of the Parish
and the **Parish Centre**

*Your support would
be greatly appreciated*

Pilgrimage to Fatima

Special Kildare Pilgrimage to Fatima

**Travelling dates
9-14th June 2023
ex Dublin**

For the Feast Day of Saint Anthony,
Patron Saint of Portugal

Visit Saint Anthony's Baptismal Font and
the place where he was born in Lisbon
Contact James Treacy 061 921470

Message from Fr. John O'Brien Medjugorje?

I'm hoping to organise a pilgrimage to Medjugorje early September 2023. Medjugorje is a small town in Herzegovina and a place where heaven meets earth and wonderful miracles happen through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God.

I will need to know if I have enough people interested to proceed with the pilgrimage.

Date: Early September;
7 nights, Full Religious Programme,
Daily Mass and Spiritual Activities.

Cost c. €750

Please let me know asap (**086-2403787**) if you are interested so that I can proceed with the planning.

Fr. John

**Fr. John O'Brien,
Parochial House,
Killinure Upper, Tullow.
R93 XV34,**



Parish Centre

***The Parish Centre will
be closed this coming
Thursday 9th March***

Prayer for Peace in the World

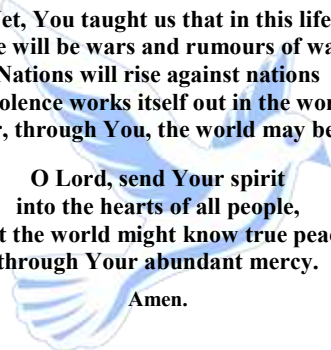
**Lord Jesus, You came
that the world might know the peace that You have
experienced with the Father eternally.**

**Yet, You taught us that in this life
there will be wars and rumours of wars.**

**Nations will rise against nations
as violence works itself out in the world.
However, through You, the world may be saved.**

**O Lord, send Your spirit
into the hearts of all people,
that the world might know true peace
through Your abundant mercy.**

Amen.



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.hsc.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

Mob: 085-8021633
email 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.**