

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Charity Registration No: 20015848

28th May 2023

Pentecost Sunday, Year A

Parish News

Feast of Pentecost

The Season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the Feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples.

John reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam at the time of Creation. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath."

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiving of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people...

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your apostles, peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will, who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

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With Love We Remember...

Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th May

Ballymurphy *Months Mind Mass*

Joseph (Joe) Murphy Ballybrack

Rathanna *Anniversary Mass*

Pat O'Toole Tomduff

Borris *Anniversary Mass*

Zenovia Belié & Victor Bilyk Ukraine

We also pray for:

Patrick Coleman Knock & Sr. Columba Keely

Jim Gaul Coolnacuppogue

Patsy & Peg Joyce Knockroe Borris

Norma O'Gorman Mansfield Nottinghamshire

Martin & Ann Nolan Dunroe Borris

Anthony Kirwan Upper Borris

Mary Graham Lower Borris

Kevin Graham Lower Borris

James, Bridget & Pat O'Neill Raheenkyle

Mass Intentions this Week

Wednesday 31st May: NO MASS

Thursday 1st June: NO MASS

Friday 2nd June: Mass for all doing Exams

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

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.



Éist Cancer Support Centre

Monday to Thursday 10am to 4pm



Friday 10-1pm

Phone: 059-9139684

Pilgrimage to Knock

St. Mullins and Surrounding Parishes

Sunday 4th June

Bus leaves from Cournellan @ 6.50am &

Daltons Square Borris @ 7am

Cost: €25 Adults €15 Children

For further details contact:

Loughlin Doyle 085 808 9125

or

Retired Priests Collection

The Diocesan Collection for Retired Priests of our Diocese takes place at all

Masses on this weekend

Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th May.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Visiting the Housebound

I will call on the Sick/Housebound this week.

Thursday 1st June:

Ballymurphy & Rathanna

Friday 2nd June: Borris

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Last remaining places for a special Carlow/Kildare Holy Land Pilgrimage at Christmas 2023.

Full day in Bethlehem Christmas Day.

Contact

James Treacy 061 921 470 or email jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com for further details

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.

Junior & Leaving Certificate Exams 2023

Mass will be celebrated next **Friday 2nd June at 7.30pm** in the **Sacred Heart Church Borris** offered for all sitting the **Junior & Leaving Certificate** and all examinations this summer. **All Welcome.**

Rathanna I.C.A. are running

“Researching Local History and Storytelling Techniques”

Venue: Rathanna Hall

Date: Wednesday, May 31st

Time: 7.30pm- 9.30pm

Tutor: John Cooney

To book a place please email rathannaica@gmail.com

or text **Mary on 087 610 0016** or **Sharleen on 087 280 6888**

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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

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	No Mass
Thursday	No Mass
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.**