Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna Charity Registration No: 20015848 11th June 2023 The Body & Blood of Christ, Year A

Parish News

Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day was once called *Corpus Christi*, which is Latin for "Body of Christ." Today's Gospel comes shortly after the miracle of Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and fishes. In John's Gospel, miracles such as this are identified as "signs" through which people come to believe that Jesus is the Son of God. These signs are followed by dialogue that interprets and explains the miracle.

Having seen Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes, the crowd pursues him, perhaps seeking more food but also looking for another sign. Jesus tells the crowd that he is the bread of life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today's Gospel and tells them again that he is the living bread that came down from heaven.

Jesus' words are not well understood by the crowd; they argue that Jesus is not from heaven but born of Mary and Joseph. The crowd also has trouble understanding how Jesus could give them his flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's Body in the world. *Loyola Press*

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With Love We Remember... Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th June

Ballymurphy Anniversary Mass

Rathanna Anniversary Mass

Thomas & Pauric McCarthy Knocksquire

Borris Months Mind Mass & Anniversary Mass

Stella Hynes Woodlawn Park and Patrick Huff Station Road & Ann Cradden nee Huff

> We also pray for: Peg Coleman Station Road Anna B. Hennessy Ballytiglea

Mass Intentions this Week

Wednesday 14th June: Mary Scully Ballinagrane Thursday 15th June: Noleen Lowe Manchester Friday 16th June: Jack & Sheila McCarthy

Social Dancing in Rathanna Hall

Sunday 11th June at 9.30pm Dance the night away to Michael Cahill





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

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 those sitting Exams

Lord as I prepare to sit my exams send your Holy Spirit to guide me and be with me.

Thank you for the many talents and gifts you have given me and for the opportunity of education.

Keep me calm.

Help me to do the best I can on the day of my exam. Help me to remember all that I have studied, to express it clearly and to answer the questions as best that I can.

Give me peace, understanding and wisdom and be with me today and always.

Amen

Alcoholics Anonymous

Care Meeting Fortnightly: Next Meeting Saturday 17th June 4pm Zoom ID: 481 286 1404: PW: Tuam321

> Here to help you... Email tuamaagrp@gmail.com

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.

Rathanna I.C.A

Capturing Memories of Rathanna N.S.

It is over 40 years since the National School closed in Rathanna. The ICA want to record people's stories and memories of the school and their time there before they are forgotten forever.

If you or someone you know is interested in having their memories of Rathanna N.S. recorded please join them after mass in Rathanna Hall (between 10a.m. and 11a.m.) on either:

> Sunday July 16th or Sunday July 23rd

Or they can go to you if it suits you better to interview you at home, please let them know and they'll arrange an interview.

> *They'd love to hear from you,* email <u>rathannaica@gmail.com</u>

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

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday No Mass No Mass 10am 10am 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: BOFIIE2D

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 <u>safeguarding@kandle.ie</u>



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.