

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Charity Registration No: 20015848

25th June 2023

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Parish News

Gospel Reflection

We read today's Gospel in the context of last week's Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week's reading and today's reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples' commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today's Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew's Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew's intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavour to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us. *Loyola Press*

Parish Contacts

Borris Parish Email: borrisparish@gmail.com:

Website www.borrisparish.ie: Phone: 059 977 3128

Church Services License No. #76100



With Love We Remember...

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th June

Ballymurphy *Anniversary Mass*
Breda, Nan & Ned Joyce Ballymurphy

Rathanna *Months Mind Mass*
Michael Burke Tomduff

Borris *First Anniversary Mass*
Catherine Maloney Upper Main Street Borris

We also pray for:

Kathleen Corcoran Station Road
Mick Maher Pound Lane
Sr. Ambrose Doran Brigidine Convent Tullow & Moycullen
Kathy Nolan Knockroe

Mass Intentions this Week

Wednesday 28th June: Tom O'Connor Lodge Court Borris
John Doyle Tinnecarrig

Thursday 29th June: Danny Canning Ballinagrane
Kathleen Corcoran Station Road

Friday 30th June: Mass in Clonagoose Cemetery 7.30pm

Our true home is in heaven... May our loved ones find peace there.



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.



Eíst Cancer Support Centre

Monday to Thursday 10am to 4pm

Friday 10-1pm

Phone: 059-9139684



Pilgrimage Walk

To the Holy Year Cross Knockroe Hill today, Sunday, 25th June commencing at Shannon's Lane at 2pm. Rosary & Prayers for the Sick at the Cross.

All Welcome.



Visiting the Sick/Housebound

I will call on the Sick/Housebound this week.

**Thursday 29th June:
Ballymurphy & Rathanna**

Friday 30th June: Borris

Borris Parish

Dates for the Diary 2023

**CLONAGOOSE CEMETERY MASS
Friday 30th June 7.30pm**

**RATHANNA MASS/PATTERN
Sunday 6th August 3pm
(No 9.30am Mass in Rathanna)**

**BALLYMURPHY PATTERN
Sunday 27th August 3pm**

**MASS OF THE SICK
Friday 1st September 7.30pm**

**MASS FOR THOSE WHO
DIED DURING THE YEAR
Wednesday 1st November 7.30pm**

**MASS OF THE HOLY ANGELS
Wednesday 15th November 7.30pm**

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 rathannaica@gmail.com*

Rally for Life 2023

DON'T MISS IT! Rally for Life on the **1st of July!** Join thousands of fellow Catholics & pro-life supporters at the biggest annual pro-life event, now in its 17th year. **Gather at 1PM at Parnell Square, Dublin 1.** Activities for both children and adults, a family friendly event!

For more info or to book a place on the bus going up to the rally visit www.thelifeinstitute.net or call 01 873 0465

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	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.**