

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Charity Registration No: 20015848

9th July 2023

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Parish News

Gospel Reflection

Today's Gospel enhances our understanding of discipleship as last week's Gospel did.

Jesus first prays in thanksgiving to God who has made himself known to Jesus' disciples. He praises God who has made himself known to the "little ones" and not to the wise and learned. As in other recent readings from Matthew's Gospel, a contrast is made here between the unbelieving Pharisees, who are wise and learned, and the faithful disciples, tax collectors, and sinners with whom Jesus keeps company.

The second part of this reading calls to our attention the unity between the Father and the Son. God has made himself known through Jesus, and in knowing Jesus, we come to know the Father. In Jesus' life and in his person, God reveals himself to us.

In the concluding sentences of today's Gospel, Jesus' teaching is again contrasted to the teaching of the Pharisees. This common theme of Matthew's Gospel probably reflects tension that existed between Jesus and the Pharisees and between the Pharisees and the community of Christians for whom Matthew wrote. Pharisaic Judaism became the predominant form of Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem about 70 A.D. Here that tension is expressed as alternative paths of holiness. The careful observance of the law of Moses taught by the Pharisees could be experienced by some as difficult and burdensome. In contrast, Jesus' way of holiness is presented as uncomplicated and even restful. *Loyola Press* **May we in our lives seek Jesus' way...**

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With Love We Remember...

Saturday 8th & Sunday 9th July

Ballymurphy *Anniversary Mass*

Sr. Ambrose Doran Late of Brigidine Convent Tullow & Moycullen

Rathanna *Anniversary Mass*

James Doyle Rathanna

We also pray for:

Donal Whelan Ballymurphy

Mass Intentions this Week

Wednesday 12th July: NO MASS

Thursday 13th July: NO MASS

Friday 14th July: NO MASS

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

Annual Leave

Fr Rory is on annual leave, **no weekday masses this week**. **The weekend masses will be at the usual times.** *Emergency calls to 087 271 4161*

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.

Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock

The **Annual Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock** will take place next **Sunday 16 July**.
Mass at 3pm with Anointing of the Sick beforehand at 2:30pm. Newsletters & Emblems available at PTAA stand in St John's Rest & Care Centre or via www.pioneers.ie

A Prayer for Safe Travel

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Retracing the footsteps of St Brigid and St Conleth

An 8km walk on the Curragh Plains led by Bishop Nulty takes place on **Saturday 29th July**. The walk begins at St Anne's School, The Curragh at 12noon and concludes with a prayer service in St Brigid's Church, Kildare at 4pm. Refreshments will be available and all are welcome to join.

To register for the walk please contact Aras Bhríde on 045-521352 or email kildareparish@gmail.com

Borris Parish **Dates for the Diary 2023**



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

BALLYMURPHY MASS/PATTERN
Sunday 27th August 3pm
(No 7.30pm Mass in Ballymurphy
Saturday 26th August)

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

Eíst Cancer Support Centre

Monday to
Thursday
10am to 4pm

Friday
10-1pm

Phone:
059-9139684



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 No Mass



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
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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.**