# Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Working towards Clustering with St. Mullins & Graiguenamanagh 24th September 2023 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Parish News

# Gospel Reflection...

On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When viewed in this way, the land-owner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who laboured in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else?

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways.

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#### Parish Contacts

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Church Services License No. #76100

Charity Registration No: 20015848

# With Love We Remember ...

Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th September

Ballymurphy Anniversary Mass

Thomas Breen & Deceased Members of the Breen family Coonogue

Rathanna Anniversary Mass Eileen Doran Knockroe Borris Months Mind Mass Teresa (Tess) Coady



We also pray for: Norma Stanley Old School House Borris Betty O'Kelly

Mass Times & Intentions this Week

Wednesday 27th September:
Special Intention
Thursday 28th September:
Special Intention
Friday 29th September:
Carlow Regional Pioneers

### Calling All Artists!!

**Theme:** My Community

**Entry Rules:** One Entry Per Person

No Larger Than A3

Closing Date: 31st October 2023

**Further Information:** 

Borris Town Hall Facebook Page or

ainestewart@gmail.com

### Parish Envelopes

There are a number of Parish Envelopes for the coming year to be distributed from the Parish Centre:

Rathgeran/Ballymurphy; Kyle; Kilmisson; Coolnamara/Ballyroughan; Knockmore/Ballybrack; Coshill; Scortreen & Woodlawn Park

If there was a person from those areas who could help with the distribution of those envelopes I would be very grateful.

Fr Rory

#### 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.

# 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

#### Borris Parish Dates for the Diary 2023

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

MASS OF THE HOLY ANGELS Wednesday 15th November 7.30pm

#### 🧼 Borris Parish News

Check out the local Church Parish News: www.borrisparish.ie Follow the link

Parish Newsletter, Currant Issue. Wish to include an item?

email: borrisparish@gmail.com

# Autumn Collection For the Support of the Priest of the Parish

In the month of September we take up the collection for the support of the Priest of the Parish. I invite those who use the weekly envelopes to use the special envelope for this purpose.

If you do not use the regular weekly envelopes there are special envelopes for this purpose at the entrance to the churches. These can be returned at any of the masses or to the parish centre.

I would like to say a sincere thank you your continued financial and prayerful support especially in difficult financial times. Fr Rory

# Mass Times

# Ballymurphy-Borris-Rathanna

Wednesday 10am; Thursday 10am; Friday 7.30pm **Sunday Masses** 

7.30pm Ballymurphy (Saturday evening); 9.30am Rathanna: 11.00am Borris

## St Mullins

Sunday Masses: Drummond 9.30am; Glynn 11am; Wednesday: Drummond 9.30am

# Graiguenamanagh

Duiske Abbey Sunday: 11am; Monday to Friday 10am Skeoughvosteen: Sunday: 9.30am

#### **Memories**

I feel a warmth around me. like your presence is so near. And I close my eyes to visualize your face when you were here.

I endure the times we spent together, and they are locked inside my heart. As long as I have those memories, we will never be apart.

Even though we cannot speak anymore, my voice is always there, because every night before I sleep. I have you in my prayer.

Louise Bailey.

# 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** 

# Come, Follow Me...

Is priesthood for you?

Why not make that call?

Contact our...
Vocations Director:
Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill
Tel: 083 3343744

### 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:** 

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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 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.