Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Working towards Clustering with St. Mullins & Graiguenamanagh 26th November 2023 Feast of Christ the King, Year A Parish News

Gospel Reflection...

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes to his disciples the scene of the judgment of the Son of Man. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate them as a shepherd separates sheep and goats upon their return from the pasture. The judgments made by the Son of Man will be based upon the acts of mercy shown to the least ones—the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. Indeed, Jesus, who suffered on the Cross, identifies himself with the least ones.

Recall that last week's parable of the talents taught us that the gifts that we have been given are intended to be used for the service of others, especially the least among us. Our judgment before God will be based not only on how we have used these gifts and talents, but also on how we have extended ourselves in service to these least ones. Indeed, Jesus tells us that whenever we have served these least ones, we have served Christ himself.

Jesus identified with the least ones. In accepting death on the cross, Jesus shows himself to be one of the hungry, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. To accept Jesus is to accept him who suffered and died on the Cross as one of the least ones. *Loyola Press*

Prayer: Lord, as we approach the end of the church year, give us the eyes to see you in those around us, the ears to hear you in those who cry out in need and the courage to allow you to work in and through us that you may walk among us, not just today, but always; lead us to a new church year with hope in our hearts. **Amen.**

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With Love We Remember... Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th November

Ballymurphy Anniversary Mass

Mary Breen Coonogue & deceased members of the Breen Family

Rathanna First Anniversary Mass

Babs Drennan Crannagh & remembering her husband Denis & Daughter Kathleen

Borris Mass

Funeral Mass Eamon Byrne Currane

We also pray for:

Michael O'Dwyer Labanasigh & his son John Martin Redmond Coonogue Ellen & Pierce Murphy Inch Liz O'Looney Tomduff

Mass Times & Intentions for the coming Week

Wednesday 29th November 10am:
Special Intention
Thursday 30th November 10am:
Special Intention
Friday 1st December 7.30pm:

Ann & Jack Regan Main St. Borris

Borris Town Hall Upcoming Events

Sunday 26th November we welcome local Senior Citizens for the annual Christmas Dinner and Party. Festivities begin at 3pm with entertainment from "The Looney Tuners"

7th & 8th; 10th & 14th of December the hall doors are open to all for the Bornis Idrone Players performance of "Many Happy Returns" Tickets are €12 available at the door each night.

December 9th the Hall hosts the **Bornis Christmas Market.** Come along for that special gift!

Xmas Bazar

Borris Vocational School Xmas Bazar takes place in the school on Sunday 3rd December

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.

St. Vincent de Paul

Annual Church Gate Collection will take place on the weekend of 9th & 10th December. Your support would be greatly appreciated

Carlow District Community Safety Forum Borris

Location: Borris Library Date: 27/11/2023 at 11am

As part of An Garda Siochana's ongoing commitment to Community Policing, Superintendent Anthony Farrell, Carlow will host a Community Engagement Forum in Borris Library from 11am on Monday 27th November 2023.

Refreshments will be served on your arrival to include finger food, tea and sandwiches.

All are welcome

Christmas Mass Bouquets

Christmas Mass Bouquets are available in the Parish Centre as well as a selection of Bouquets for various occasions.

Regular Mass Times

Ballymurphy-Borris-Rathanna

Wed. 10am; Thurs. 10am; Fri. 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 Saturday: 7pm; Sunday: 11am; Monday to Friday 10am Skeoughvosteen: Sunday: 9.30am

Borris Parish News

Check out the local Church Parish News:

www.borrisparish.ie & follow the link Parish Newsletter, Current Issue.

Wish to include an item? email: **borrisparish@gmail.com**

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024

22nd of June 2024 departing Dublin.
5 Nights Full Board €849 PPS

Group Leader: Geraldine Monahan **Spiritual Director**

Further Information: Geraldine Monahan 087 416 6803 Joe Walsh Tours 01 241 0800



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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday in our Parish Church from 10.30am to 1pm

Thursday in Rathanna Church from 11am to 6pm.

All Welcome

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. Ailish Higgins 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.