

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Working towards Clustering with St. Mullins & Graiguenamanagh

3rd December 2023

First Sunday of Advent, Year B

Parish News

Advent Family Prayer...

Today we begin the Church season of Advent. During Advent, we not only prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Jesus, but we also check in to see if we are doing all the things that will keep us ready to receive Jesus when he comes again.

It can be a time to talk as a family about how you are doing in attending to your spiritual life as individuals and family. It can also be a time to recommit ourselves to praying daily, reading Scripture, and staying faithful to God's commandments. Pray together that through this Advent season your family will be more prepared to receive Jesus when he comes again.

**God of Love,
Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.
He is a sign of your love.
Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent,
As we wait and prepare for his coming.
We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour.
Amen.**

Emmanuel.....



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With Love We Remember...
Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd December

Ballymurphy Anniversary Mass

Stephen Nolan Clonagoose

Rathanna Anniversary Mass

Borris Anniversary Mass

Jonathon Cummins Pound Lane

We also pray for:

Ellen, Jim & Mikey Byrne, Cournellan

James (Jimbo) Walsh, Waterford City

& Tramore, Waterford

Annette Kealy Ballymartin

whose funeral took place during the week

Molly Dalton Borris

Thomas Murphy Jr Upper Rathgeran

Michael O'Dwyer &

his son John Labanasigh Bagenalstown

Paddy Lyons Ballymartin

who died during the week

Mass Times

& Intentions for the coming Week

Wednesday 6th December 10am:

Patrick & Margaret O'Higgins Crannagh

Thursday 7th December:

Special Intention

Friday 8th December 7.30pm:

Kathleen Kelly 3 Woodlawn Park

Josie Moore Station Yard



Borris Town Hall
Upcoming Events

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

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

Xmas Bazar

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

All welcome

Christmas Mass Bouquets

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

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.

Sick & Housebound

Fr Rory will call to those on the sick and housebound list this week.

Thursday 7th December
Ballymurphy/Rathanna

Friday 8th December
Borris

St. Vincent de Paul

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

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

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

***Feast of the Immaculate Conception is a
Holyday of Obligation with mass in the Sacred Heart
Church, Borris Friday 8th December @ 7.30pm***

Christmas Ceremonies 2023

It is that time of year again when we prepare for the celebration of Christmas and the Birth of Jesus. As a parish this year we are blessed to have the help of Fr Seamus Whelan for our Christmas ceremonies.

Thanks to this help masses for Christmas and the Penitential Service are:

Penitential Service: Wednesday 20th December, Borris, 7.30pm

Christmas Eve: Borris: Vigil Mass @ 6.30pm

Ballymurphy: Vigil Mass @ 7.30pm

Christmas Day: Rathanna 9.30am

Ballymurphy 10am

Borris 11am



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

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:

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*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:

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Ms. Ailish Higgins

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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.**