

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Working towards Clustering with St. Mullins & Graiguenamanagh

7th April 2024

2nd Sunday of Easter Year B

Divine Mercy Sunday Parish News

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In today's Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun; as Jesus was sent by God, so Jesus sends his disciples. He gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they will be able to accomplish this task. Jesus' words to his disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share forgiveness and reconciliation with others.

Thomas, the doubting disciple in today's reading, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of witnesses to Jesus. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. Our human nature seeks hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to his disciples after his death is indeed the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative in obtaining this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed, for we have not seen and yet believe.

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With Love We Remember...

6th & 7th April

Ballymurphy Anniversary Mass

Bill McGee Knockmore

Rathanna Anniversary Mass

Charlie Kavanagh Knockquire

Mattie Nolan Knockroe

Borris Anniversary Mass

Ter Doyle Upper Cottages

We Also Remember

Tommy Burke Killedmond

Edward Fenlon Rocksavage

Timothy Byrne Upper Rathgeran

Friday 12th April

Martin & Jo Lennon Cournellan

Reeling in the Years

Almost 25 years ago the communities of Killedmond & Rathanna gathered to mark a new millennium. At the time a DVD was produced with the help of Sean Stapleton which featured groups active in the area at that time.

**Join with us to view the DVD in Rathanna Hall on
Friday 12th April at 7.30pm.**

Donation box available on the night to cover the cost of the DVD with additional monies going to **South East Simon**. Copies of the DVD are also available directly from Sean Stapleton at a cost of €10.

Refreshments served on the night!

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

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*

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.*

Come, Follow Me...

Is priesthood for you?
Why not make that call?

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

Divine Mercy Sunday

In the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul II proclaimed that from that year forward the Second Sunday of Easter would be celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. This was proclaimed at the Canonization Mass of St. Faustina Kawalska, who worked throughout her life to make all aware of the merciful love of God. St. Faustina (1905–1938) was born and raised in Poland. Following a vocation to religious life, she was accepted by the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. As a member of the Congregation, she worked as a cook, gardener, and porter. In her spiritual life, her contemplation on the Mercy of God led her to develop a childlike trust in God and deep love for her neighbour.

In her years in the convent, St. Faustina heard a call from God to make God's mercy known to the world so that the world may more fully receive God's healing grace. St. Faustina promoted the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which consists of the recitation of prayers to the Eternal Father with the use of the rosary for the sake of Christ's sorrowful passion.

The Chaplet is prayed as follows:

1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and the Apostles' Creed.
2. On the Our Father beads, recite the following:

"Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world."

3. On the ten Hail Mary beads, say the following:
"For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

4. Repeat step two and three for all five decades.

5. Conclude by reciting three times:

"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

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.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024

22nd of June 2024
departing Dublin.

5 Nights Full Board €849 PPS

Group Leader:
Geraldine Monahan

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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.

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

Regular Mass Times

Ballymurphy-Borris- Rathanna

Borris: 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

Saturday: 7pm;

Sunday: 11am;

Monday to Friday 10am

Skeoughvosteen:

Sunday: 9.30am

Safeguarding

If you are concerned about the welfare
& safety of children or vulnerable
adults contact:

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