

# Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

*Working towards Clustering with St. Mullins & Graiguenamanagh*

5th May 2024

6th Sunday of Easter Year B

Parish News

## *May...Our Lady's Month*

### Traditional Hymn to Our Lady

Bring flowers of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest,  
From garden and woodland and hillside and vale.  
Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling,  
The praise of the loveliest rose of the dale.

**(Chorus)** O Mary, we crown Thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May. **(repeat)**

Our voices ascending in harmony blending,  
O thus may our hearts turn dear Mother to Thee.  
O thus shall we prove Thee how truly we love Thee.  
How dark without Mary life's journey would be! **(Chorus)**

O Virgin most tender, our homage we render,  
Thy love and protection, sweet Mother to win;  
In danger defend us, in sorrow befriend us.  
And shield our fond hearts from contagion of sin. **(Chorus)**

Of Mothers the dearest, oh, wilt Thou be nearest,  
When life with temptation is darkly replete?  
Forsake us, oh never! Our hearts be they ever  
As pure as the flowers we lay at Thy feet! **(Chorus)**

### *Parish Contacts*

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**Website** [www.borrisparish.ie](http://www.borrisparish.ie): **Phone:** 059 977 3128  
**Church Services License No.** #76100

Charity  
Registration No:  
20015848

## *With Love We Remember...*

*4th & 5th May*

### *Ballymurphy Anniversary Mass*

Gregory Murray Ballybrack  
& Patrick & Loretta Murphy Ballybrack

### *Rathanna Anniversary Mass*

John & Rita Shannon Knockmore  
& Annie Shannon

### *Borris First Anniversary Mass*

**Baby Grainne Rose O'Toole**

*We Also Remember*

Kathleen Treacy Nee Lawlor

Paddy & Kitty Kinsella Currane

Simon Murphy Clonagoose

James Byrne Skeoughvosteen

### **Anastasia O'Shea Main Street Borris**

Nonie Murphy Ballyglisheen

Pat Doyle Headfield

Noleen Lowe Manchester

Bridget Hennessy (nee) Lennon Ballytiglea  
months mind mass will be celebrated this Satur-  
day evening 4th May in Drumphua @ 8pm

*We also remember...*

*Friday 10th May*

*Special Intention*

## *Contribution to Parish*

I want to thank you most  
sincerely for your  
continued financial support  
of our churches and parish. Contribu-  
tions 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*

## *Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help*

**Monday 6th May at 7.30pm**

St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen

Rosary recited at 7.10pm

Novena begins at 7.30pm

**Speaker: Geraldine Mullan**

## *Darkness Into Light*

**MLR Darkness into Light walk takes Place on MLR  
Walking Track on 11th May '24 commencing at  
4.15am. All donations to Pieta House to give hope to  
those impacted by suicide.**

***Donations Accepted on the Day***

## *Serenity Prayer*

*God grant me the serenity  
to accept the things  
I cannot change;  
courage to change  
the things I can;  
and wisdom*

## *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

**Wednesday** in our Parish Church  
from 10.30am to 1pm

***No Adoration in Rathanna for  
the next two weeks due to works  
in the church.***

## *Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock*

**When? 2nd June**

**Contact:**

**John Coady      051 424628  
                         087 3330558**

**Loughlin Doyle    085 8089125**

*More Details To Follow*

## *Painting of Rathanna Church*

Over the past couple of years a number of necessary works have been carried out within Rathanna Church which culminated with the re-plastering of the sanctuary area with a lime plaster. This is now completely dry and ready for painting. It is also an opportunity to give the church a face-lift so to speak with the re-painting of the entire interior of the church and the laying of new carpet in the sanctuary area, entrance area and the sacristy. **This work will begin this week, Tuesday 7th of May. It is work that will require the church to be out of use for two Sunday masses, 12th and 19th of May.** On those Sunday's mass will be celebrated at the usual Sunday time of 9.30am in Rathanna Hall. I would like to thank the Hall Committee for their understanding in regards to this work, which will brighten our Church for many years to come, and for facilitating the Hall being available for Sunday Mass. It will also mean that adoration will not take place for the time the works are being carried out in the church.

### **Schedule of Works**

**Commencement Date: 7th May**

**Completion Date: 24th May**

**Re-open for Mass: Sunday 26th May**

## *All-Ireland Pollinator Plan For May*

Reduce mowing to allow native wildflowers like Dandelions, Clover and Birds-foot Trefoil to naturally return over time. Why? This action helps to restore species-rich grasslands: a vital habitat providing food and shelter for pollinators. Where? Everywhere! Roadside verges, **lawns**, schools, parks, field margins, farm lanes.

Take part in **#NoMowMay** and leave your lawnmower in the shed for May. See [www.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/](http://www.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/)

## *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.**

## *Prayer before an Exam...*

Lord, I thank you that  
you are with me right now,  
Your love surpasses all fear,  
I give you the anxiety I feel and  
I surrender all my worries to you

Clear my mind; Calm my heart  
Still my Spirit; Relax my being  
That I may always glorify you  
in everything I write, speak and do.

## *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](http://www.mentalhealthireland.ie)**

**[www.youth.ie](http://www.youth.ie)**

**[www.hse.ie](http://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**

## *Come, Follow Me...*

**Is priesthood for you?**

**Why not make that call?**



**Contact our Vocations Director:**

**Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill: Tel: 083 3343744**

## *Safeguarding*

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

**Director of Safeguarding**

**Ms. Ailish Higgins**

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