

Ballymurphy...BORRIS...Rathanna

Working towards Clustering with St. Mullins & Graiguenamanagh

12th May 2024

Feast of the Ascension Year B

Parish News

The Ascension of our Lord

It can be very important whom we sit next to. Any family that has tried to sit down to a family dinner or packed the car for a trip has heard children argue at least once about who should sit where. To sit next to someone, especially if that person is important, is to have a place of honour. Jesus has this place of honour seated at God's right hand, but there's more to this metaphor than where Jesus sits in relation to God. To be in the place of honour is also to be in a place of power. Knowing people in powerful places can be helpful. Our children remind us of this each time we are called upon to referee a conflict. Jesus, honoured at God's right hand, is a powerful ally for us.

Perhaps you could gather as a family; recall a time when there was a discussion, or perhaps even an argument, about where people were going to sit. Talk about why it might be important to a person to sit in a particular place. Observe that in today's Gospel we will learn about Jesus' place in heaven. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 16:15-20. Talk about what we might learn about the relationship between God and Jesus from today's Gospel and what we learn about Jesus' relationship to us. Observe that one of the things we learn is that Jesus continues to help us from this place of honour in heaven. This week, as a family, you might pray together the Apostles' Creed. www.loyolapress.com

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With Love We Remember...

4th & 5th May

Ballymurphy Anniversary Mass

John & Mary Murphy and their daughter
Hannah, Upper Rathgeran

Rathanna Anniversary Mass

Luke Roche, Knockskuire

Borris First Anniversary Mass

Stella Hynes Woodlawn Park

We Also Remember

Pat O'Brien Kiledmond

Breda O'Sullivan Old Leighlin

Pat & Hannah Doran Rathanna
Owen & Tom Brennan Killedmond

Friday 17th May

Michael Murphy Coonogue
James Byrne Skeoughvosteen
Patrick Joe Towey Sligo
Larry Murphy Tallaght
Johnny Murphy Ballybeg
Mick Murphy England

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*

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faith-
ful and kindle in them the fire of your love.**

**Send forth your Spirit and they shall be creat-
ed, and you shall renew the face of the earth.**

Let us pray.

**O God, who have taught the hearts of the faith-
ful by the light of the Holy Spirit,
grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly
wise and ever rejoice in his consolation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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 this
week due to works in the church.***

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

When? 2nd June

Contact:

**John Coady 051 424628
087 3330558**

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More Details To Follow

Painting of Rathanna Church

Rathanna Church is closed this weekend and next to facilitate the re-painting and laying of new carpets. **It will re-open for mass on Sunday 26th of May.** Sunday's mass will be celebrated at the usual Sunday time of 9.30am in Rathanna Hall.

Village Day Rathanna

There will be a **Village Day in Rathanna on Sunday 23rd June.**

If you would like to help out in the organising of the day or on the day itself please come along to a **Public Meeting on Tuesday 14th May at 9pm in Rathanna Community Hall.**

All Welcome

For further information please contact:
Eric Osborne on 085 862 7891

Congratulations

To the girls and boys who were confirmed by Bishop Denis Nulty this weekend in Borris and Ballymurphy.

May they Holy Spirit be their guide and protector always.

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/

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

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

Come, Follow Me...

Is priesthood for you?

Why not make that call?



Contact our Vocations Director:

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Safeguarding

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

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