

*Anniversaries for Week Ending*  
*May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 2025*

*Ballymurphy: Anniversary Mass:*

Loretta Murphy & Gregory Murray  
Kyle

*Rathanna: Anniversary Mass:*

Brigid McCarthy  
Knocksquire

*Borris: Anniversary Mass*

Ann (Nan) McEvoy Borris  
Renata Kempka  
Janina Stefaniuk

Brigid (Babby) Hannie, Molly, Matt & Mary Kavanagh  
Kyle

Simon Murphy Clonagoose,  
Eamon Dalton Ballytiglea  
Jim Whitty Milltown Borris  
Jim Kane Currane

Maura Hayes Kilcoltrim

Babs Eagers Old Beg

John & Rita Shannon & all deceased members of the  
Shannon family Knockroe

Noleen Murphy Ballyglisheen

Rian Hickey Rathgeran

We also remember Michael Doran, Portmarnock and  
formerly Moycullen, Ballymurphy who died during the  
week; A Service to celebrate Michael's life will take  
place in Dardistown crematorium on Thursday, 8th  
May, at 2.30pm

## *Safeguarding*

The Parish of Borris in common with all other parishes is committed to safeguarding the children of their parish.

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

**Director of Safeguarding: Ms. Ailish Higgins**  
**Mob: 085-802 1633 or Email: [safeguarding@kandle.ie](mailto:safeguarding@kandle.ie)**

## *Mass Times*

**Mass will be celebrated  
in the Sacred Heart Church Borris  
on Wednesday next 7<sup>th</sup> May and the 14<sup>th</sup> of May  
at 10am.**

The children from 2<sup>nd</sup> class will be in attendance as they prepare for their upcoming First Holy Communion.

All are invited to come along as we pray for and with the children on this important step in their faith journey. I extend a special welcome to parents/guardians, grandparents to share in these masses.

I look forward to seeing you all there!

## *Vocations Call?*

Do you think that God may be calling you to the priesthood?  
Would you like to meet with others who are exploring a call?  
Would you like to discover how to discover God's will for your life?

Then the Samuel Circle is for you!

The Circle is a group of guys who meet regularly to try and discern God's plan for them in life.

If you are interested contact  
Fr. Ruairi [ruairiodomhnaill@gmail.com](mailto:ruairiodomhnaill@gmail.com)

## *March for Life 2025*

**The March for Life 2025,**  
organised by the **Pro Life Campaign**  
takes place on  
**Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> May in Dublin at 2pm**  
(Meeting point: St Stephen's Green).

It is being held to draw attention to the rapidly increasing abortion rates in Ireland and call for support for pregnant women and their babies.

The event will be suitable for families and have excellent speakers. Join us in standing up for mothers and their unborn babies! **For more information and to check out bus transport to the event see [www.marchforlife.ie](http://www.marchforlife.ie)**

*Pieta House*  
*Darkness into Light*

**Saturday 10th May at 4:15am MLR Walking Track**

We walk together. Wrapped up warm, side by side, step by step, for the most important sunrise of the year.

**Every euro we raise, helps Pieta provide free, life-saving support to people impacted by suicide and self-harm.**

#DIL2025 #DarknessIntoLight2025

**\*\* All very welcome on the morning \*\***  
**\*\*Donation box will be available \*\***

*Training for New Eucharistic Ministers*

Fr Tom O'Byrne and Julie Kavanagh are offering a day's training for

**New Eucharistic Ministers**  
**on Saturday, 24 May from 10am – 4 pm**  
**in the Cathedral Parish Centre.**

**If you are interested please drop your name and contact details into the Parish Office in person, by phone, or by email [borrisparish@gmail.com](mailto:borrisparish@gmail.com)**

## ***Cemetery Masses & Blessing of Graves 2025***

**The following are the dates for the Cemetery Masses and Blessing of the Graves for 2025:**

### **Kiltennel**

Blessing of Graves      Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June      at 12.30pm

### **Borris**

Cemetery Mass      Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June      at 7.30pm

### **Clonagoose**

Cemetery Mass      Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July      at 7.30pm

### **Rathanna**

Cemetery Mass      Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August      at 3pm

### **Ballymurphy**

Cemetery Mass      Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 3pm

## ***Carlow Stroke Support Group***

**The Carlow Stroke Support Group meet next Friday May 9th, 2.30-4pm, at St. Dymphna's Hospital, Carlow.**

Meetings are informative and social, open to stroke survivors and carers, guest speakers attending.

For further information call/text Lynda 085-7331522.

## *Do you have a Notice for the Parish News?*

If your group / club / organisation has a notice that they wish to be included in the Parish News please forward the details to [borrisparish@gmail.com](mailto:borrisparish@gmail.com) by 12 noon on Thursday's for inclusion in the following week's edition.

The Parish News can be found on the Parish Website [www.borrisparish.ie](http://www.borrisparish.ie) and on various local Facebook pages. Inclusion in the Parish News is at the discretion of the editor. Fr Rory

## *Borris St Mullins Community Games*

Area 9, Borris St Mullins Community Games are back in full force.

We are appealing for all the boys and girls in the parish from 4-15 year of age to come out and run with us in our athletics finals day on:

**Bank Holiday Monday  
2nd June 2025  
at  
MLR GAA Grounds.**

**All welcome!  
Bring a friend!**

## ***Community Employment Vacancies***

**Carlow Centre for Independent Living Clg. currently has vacancies for Health Care Assistants / Personal Assistants**

Anyone interested in applying for these positions may do so by...

- \* applying online @ **JobsIreland.ie** to the following
  - # **2364534 Carlow Town & County**
  - # **2364539 Rathvilly/Tullow**
- \* email us @ [\*\*carlowcile@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:carlowcile@gmail.com)
- \* contact us directly on **059 91 30014**
- \* call into our office at **Room 8, St. Fiacc's Leisure Centre, Graiguecullen, Carlow R93 N5YO**

## ***Grásta Marriage Preparation Course***

Grásta is a voluntary group of Married Couples based in Ireland, who for over 25 years have been facilitating Pre-Marriage Courses for couples getting married in the Catholic Church.

Are you preparing for marriage later this year or next year?

Weekend residential courses available.  
**23-25 May or 19-21 September 2025.**

Further Details: [\*\*www.grasta.org\*\*](http://www.grasta.org) or email  
[\*\*info@grasta.org\*\*](mailto:info@grasta.org)

## *Trip to Knock*

There will be a pilgrimage to Knock Shrine of the 1st of June.

The bus will leave from:

**Drummond at 6.15am**

**Cournellan at 6.45am**

**Borris; Dalton's Square & Upper Borris 7.00am approx.**

Further details from:	<b>Loughlin Doyle</b>	<b>085 808 9125</b>
	<b>John Coady</b>	<b>087 333 0558</b>
		<b>051 424 628</b>

## *Accord*

### **ACCORD NEEDS YOU**

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Services CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as Marriage Preparation Programme Facilitators to support couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. The marriage preparation programmes are fun and interactive and very popular with couples.

Working as part of an enthusiastic, friendly and experienced team, facilitators typically provide three preparation programmes per year.

Each team works from Accord centres which are located in every diocese in the country.



**Successful applicants will receive free professional training during seven in person workshops at venues around the country and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes in your local area.**

**The closing date for receipt of application forms to be included in selections for this year is Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112**

**Email [marriagepreparation@accord.ie](mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie)**

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

***Free Pre-Registration  
Training Course for Childminders***

Are you a Childminder caring for children in your own home?  
Are you considering becoming a Childminder and wondering what steps to take next? If so, would you like to attend a

**FREE Pre-Registration  
Training Course for Childminders  
taking place on  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> May from 6.30pm-10pm  
at  
Enterprise House, Carlow.**

This training has been organised by Carlow County Childcare Committee. Spaces are limited. Booking is essential. Please contact Eilish/Jean on 059 914 0244 or email [info@carlowccc.ie](mailto:info@carlowccc.ie) for further information or to book your place.