

Anniversaries for Week Ending
May 17th & 18th 2025

Ballymurphy: Anniversary Mass:
Michael Murphy
Coonogue

Rathanna: Anniversary Mass:
Pat O'Brien
Killedmond

Borris: Anniversary Mass
Jim & Mikey Byrne
Cournellan

Jack & Kathleen Whelan “The Forge” Borris
& deceased members of the Whelan family
Patrick Treacy 1 Station Road
Annie (Nan) O'Neill Slyguff
Martin & Annie Nolan Dunroe Borris

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

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 22nd June at 12.30pm

Borris

Cemetery Mass Friday 27th June at 7.30pm

Clonagoose

Cemetery Mass Friday 4th July at 7.30pm

Rathanna

Cemetery Mass Sunday 3rd August at 3pm

Ballymurphy

Cemetery Mass Sunday 31st August at 3pm

Mass Time

I will continue to celebrate mass each Wednesday morning at 10am in the Sacred Heart Church Borris.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Wednesday.

Why not join us for mass and some time in prayer before Jesus, who is always present to us in Holy Communion.

For those who cannot attend mass in person you can always join us via our webcam. It is a great link to our church and to Jesus in the Eucharist.

All are welcome.

Congratulations!!

A big congratulations to the girls and boys who received their First Holy Communion this weekend! Well done to all.

Please continue to keep them and all our young people in your prayers.

Training for New Eucharistic Ministers

I would like to thank those who have put their names forward as new Eucharistic ministers. If there is any other person who would like to take part in the training please let me know early in the week. Fr Tom O'Byrne and Julie Kavanagh will be facilitating the training

**on Saturday next, 24th 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

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 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 and on various local Facebook pages. Inclusion in the Parish News is at the discretion of the editor. Fr Rory

Pilgrimage to MEDJUGORJE

Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 2025. This fully escorted trip takes place from the **17th to the 24th of September 2025**. The **cost is €865 pps** and a deposit of €200 secures your booking.

There is a **Full Religious Programme** operated by Marian Pilgrimages Medjugorje Team.

For **Further Information** on joining the group please **contact Fr. John O'Brien on (086) 240 3787**.

Details also available on the posters in the Churches of the parish.

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

Heavenly Father
We thank you for the gift of our new Holy Father,
Pope Leo XIV.
Bless him with Wisdom, Courage and
A heart filled with compassion.
May he lead your Church in truth and unity,
And be a beacon of hope for a world in need.
Strengthen him with the guidance of the Holy Spirit,
And keep him always in your loving care.
Amen

Rathanna Drama Group

**Rathanna Drama Group presents
The 3 Act Comedy Play
“Fortunes and Misfortunes”
By Jimmy Keary**

May

Saturday 24th May, Monday 26th May,
Thursday 29th May, Friday 30th May.

June

Monday 2nd June, Tuesday 3rd June,
Wednesday 4th June, Thursday 5th June.

Performance begins at 8pm each evening

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 the 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:	Loughlin Doyle	085 808 9125
	John Coady	087 333 0558
		051 424 628

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 30th May.

Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112

Email marriagepreparation@accord.ie

www.accord.ie