

# Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 8th May 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 7th MAY - 7pm

1. Frank Keenan (*Months Mind*).
2. Molly & James Heffernan and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 8th MAY - 11am

1. Joe & Nuala Claffey.
2. Tommy & Bridget Kenny, Coole.

*Mon. 9th: 10am*

*Tues. 10th: 10am - People's Mass.*

*Wed. 11th: 10am*

*Thurs. 12th: 10am*

*Fri. 13th: 10am*

*Sat. 14th: 10am*

SATURDAY 14th MAY - 7pm

1. Ellen & James Anderson.

SUNDAY 15th MAY - 11am

1. Chrissie Sugrue.

## SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 8th May - 12 noon

1. Mary & Albert Nevin and deceased members of the Mannion & Nevin families.

SUNDAY 15th May - 12 noon

1. Anne & Jack Connolly and their son Declan, their grandson Declan Philip & Patrick Gunning.
2. Patricia Feeney (*3rd A*).

## ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 8th MAY - 9.30am

1. Sr Angela Delaney, her brother Michael and Angie & Paddy Horan.

SUNDAY 15th MAY - 9.30am

**MASSES** - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. All our weekday and weekend Masses can now be viewed on our livestream link [www.ferbaneparish.ie](http://www.ferbaneparish.ie). Parish bulletin is available on [www.ferbaneparish.ie](http://www.ferbaneparish.ie).

**COLLECTIONS** - Weekly Collection including shrine €2,435. Thank you.

**CONGRATULATIONS** - To the thirty-one boys and girls from St. Cynoc's N.S. who received their First Holy Communion this Saturday 7th May.

**HIGH STREET CEMETERY** Weekly clean up continues every Tuesday at 7pm.

**FERBANE PARISH COMMUNITY ALERT** Are holding an EGM on Tuesday 10th May in Ferbane GAA Centre at 7pm. All welcome.

**GALLEN UNITED - Lotto Draw** (Prize fund €2,400 = Jackpot €1,200; Star Prize €1,200). Winning numbers in last week's draw 9, 10, 15, 25. Bonus 5. No jackpot or match 3 winners. Two book prizes. Next draw on Tuesday 10th May.

**FERBANE GAA - Lotto:** Winning numbers in last week's draw 6, 10, 14, 23. Bonus 16. No jackpot winner. Five match three winners. Next week's jackpot is €11,800 and the draw will take place on Tuesday 10th May.

**COFFEE MORNING** - Group will visit Clonfert on Wed. 11th May. Bus leaving Church at 10.30am, usual bus service. Confirm at 086 8389820 and it is advised to wear face mask.

**ACTIVE RETIREMENT** - Continues every Thursday at 10.15am in Hennessy's to play bingo, chat and laugh in a friendly atmosphere. Bus available to pick up. Call Teresa on 087 8374955.

**TRÓCAIRE BOXES** - Can be left into Churches during these days. *'Let us not grow tired of doing good'*. (Pope Francis).

**GETTING CITIZENS ONLINE**

FREE Beginners Computer / Laptop Classes. Contact Karen on 087 9840177 to book.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** - Confidential FREEPHONE 087 9272877.

**PARISH OFFICE** - Open on Wednesday from 9am - 1pm and 2pm - 5pm. **Bulletin notices to be in by 3pm Wednesday.** Tel: 090 6454309 OR Email: [parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie](mailto:parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie).

**ROSARY** - At the Grottos are back for the month of May in St. Oliver Plunkett's Church in Boora. Everyone is welcome for the month of May to say the Rosary at 8pm each evening. This is being said for Ireland and peace in the world.

**JOB VACANCY** - Ferbane/Belmont CE scheme have a vacancy for a General Operative in Belmont. For more information call 086 8160567.

### SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

The Easter Season is the high point of the Church year as Christian people celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. This celebration reminds us of our great dignity as God's children and our calling to recognise Christ in each other.

Thankfully the covid restrictions of the past two years have eased and while there are still concerns around the virus, parish activities have resumed to a fairly high degree. We are pleased to welcome back our parishioners young and old.

We continue to be mindful of our responsibilities in the area of safeguarding and of the need to reach the highest standards of best practice.

The Diocesan Safeguarding Committee continue to monitor and promote the ideals of safeguarding.

The National Board for Safeguarding will be reviewing the National Policy and Guidance in the coming year to ensure it continues to be fit for purpose. We as a diocese will have an audit in the Autumn of 2022 conducted by independent assessors on behalf of the National Board. This will enable us as a diocese to continue to go forward in offering safe environments and structures for children and young people to be active in the Church.

I thank all who are involved in the work of safeguarding in the diocese - your involvement is vital for the work of keeping children safe. If anyone who wishes to raise a concern or make a complaint in the diocese, I encourage you to contact the Designated Liaison Person, Túsla or the Gardaí.

Keeping people safe is an ongoing work which we undertake because of our belief in the dignity of every human person and our faith in the Lord Jesus who inspires us to continue to minister to young people that they too may know and follow him as disciples.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

The Chinese use two brush strokes to write the word 'crisis'. One stroke stands for danger; the other for opportunity. In a crisis we should be aware of the danger, but recognise the opportunity. On this 'Vocations Sunday' we acknowledge the crisis in the Irish Church with regard to vocations to priesthood and religious life, but we should see in this a wonderful opportunity to awaken what Cardinal Ó Fiaich once called the 'sleeping giant' of the laity. The mission of the Church is the mission of all. Pope Francis is calling on all the faithful to embrace this mission with enthusiasm and journey forward with confidence on what he terms 'the synodal pathway'. It is his vision for the future that the entire Church family, priests, religious and laity will walk forward together, listening to one another and above all, listening to the voice and promptings of Holy Spirit. Our upcoming Diocesan Assembly is a response to the Holy Father's request. May the Spirit guide our deliberations and guide us in our efforts to discern new ways to manifest God's love in a seemingly indifferent world, to be as renowned Dutch theologian Henri Nouwen said, 'witnesses to the glimpses of God we have been allowed to catch'. As we embark on the synodal pathway let us remind ourselves that God does not call the equipped, but He does equip the called. He has committed some work to me that He has not committed to another. St. Catherine of Siena, an Italian laywoman of the fourteenth century, grasped this truth which lies at the heart of vocation, and expressed it memorably: 'If you are what you should be, then you will set the world on fire'.

### DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY (14th May) PRAYER

*We pray for those involved in the Diocesan Assembly, taking place this month. May the Holy Spirit guide their work in selecting the pastoral priorities to help us together share the Good News of our faith. Lord, hear us.*