

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 24th July 2022

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 23rd JULY - 7pm

SUNDAY 24th JULY - 11am

1. Agnes Lawlor (2nd A).
2. Paddy & Madge Higgins.

Mon. 25th: 10am

Tues. 26th: 10am

Wed. 27th: 10am

Thurs. 28th: 10am - People's Mass.

Fri. 29th: 10am

Sat. 30th: 10am

SATURDAY 30th JULY - 7pm

1. Charlie Wynne (2nd A) and his parents Jack and Kathleen.

SUNDAY 31st JULY - 11am

1. Clare Higgins (1st A), Ballyvora
2. Pat McAree (1st A) & Patrick & Jane Wynne.
3. Kieran and Maura Guinan.

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 24th JULY - 12 noon

1. Oliver Coleman (1st A).
2. Veronica Harrington (4th A).
3. James & Mary Brigid Buckley, Clononey and their daughters Brigid, Ellen & Patricia.
4. Tom Claffey, Lisclooney.

SUNDAY 31st JULY - 12 noon

1. Mary & Kieran Clancy, Clononey.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

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DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY - Sunday 24th July

'Dear grandparents and elderly persons we are called to be artisans of the revolution of tenderness in our world. Let us become, as it were, poets of prayer. Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness, a new mission that awaits us and bids us look to the future. Aging is not a condemnation but a blessing'. (Pope Francis).

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society. Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasures of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience. (Pope Benedict).

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. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

COLLECTIONS - Weekly collection including shrine €2,275. Thank you.

DEATHS - We pray for the repose of the souls of James Cassidy, Knockaulin Drive; Mary Rafferty, Brooklyn N.Y. (wife of the late Johnny Rafferty,

late of Aughaboy, Ferbane); Tom D'Arcy, Cloghan (formerly Creggan); Paddy Brazil, Clongowney (formerly Endrim, brother of Bridie Duffy, Endrim); Lily O'Donnell (nee Tooher), England (sister of Olive Chaloner and Margaret Earley, Leabeg) and Margaret Fitzgerald, Dunshaughlin (sister of Laura Spollen, Athlone Road). May they rest in peace.

BAPTISM - We welcome into our Christian Community Kai J. Costello.

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

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €3,400 = Jackpot €1,700; Star Prize €1,700). Winning numbers in last week's draw 1, 6, 18, 28. Bonus 25. No jackpot winner. Four match three winners. Next draw on Tuesday 26th July.

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto*: Winning numbers in last week's draw 3, 16, 17, 18. Bonus 7. No jackpot winner. Three match 3 match winners. Next week's jackpot is €14,000 and the draw is on Tues. 26th July.

FERBANE TIDY TOWNS - Is appealing for hands to help out on Wednesdays from 6pm to help keep the town looking well. Equipment is provided if required. We meet every Wed. from 6pm at the Heritage Centre and everyone is welcome.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT - Continues every Thursday at 10.15am in Hennessy's. Bus available. Call Teresa on 087 8374955.

SOCIAL DANCE - In Cloghan Hall on Friday 29th July at 9.30pm. Music by Checkers. All welcome. Light refreshments.

CLONMACNOIS CEMETERY MASS Saturday 30th July at 3pm. Mass offered from Papal Mass shelter on monastic site.

REEK SUNDAY 2022 - The Annual Reek Sunday pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 31st July at Croagh Patrick. Confessions on the summit 7.30am - 2pm. Mass hourly from 8am - 2pm.

MARY'S MEALS - 'Step by Step' Walk from Thurles to Knock Shrine led by Fr. Eamonn Kelly, PP, Raphoe. Walk begins on Sunday 7th August and passes through Templemore, Roscrea, Birr, FERBANE, Athlone, Roscommon, Ballymoe and Ballyhaunis reaching Knock Shrine on Monday 15th August. Mary's Meals is a global movement that aims to provide chronically hungry children with one full school meal every day.

A BIG THANK YOU - To all who supported the Offaly Hospice Church Gate Collection on Sunday

10th July last. €500 has been given to Offaly Hospice. Your support is much appreciated.

IT'S CARDIAC REHAB - A podcast series bringing together experts in cardiac rehab and patients who have attended cardiac rehabilitation. Topics included are exercise, medication, healthy eating and the psychological impact of living with heart disease. If you have had a cardiovascular event such as a heart attack, coronary artery stenting or coronary artery bypass surgery - log onto <https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehab-podcast/> for information and support.

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'Say this when you pray'

The 'Our Father' is the model of all prayer. Two versions of this prayer are recorded in the gospels, a longer form containing seven petitions in the Gospel of Matthew and a shorter form containing five petitions in the Gospel of Luke. It is a prayer that has inspired poets and philosophers, popes and politicians, prisoners and paupers in every corner of the world over the past two thousand years. Every time we pray we use a version of the 'Our Father'. It is a complete programme of Christian living. It is a summary of the entire Gospel. It covers all of life. It covers our past sin: 'forgive us our trespasses'. It covers our present need: 'give us this day our daily bread'. It covers our future trials: 'lead us not into temptation'. Most amazing of all, it 'allows' us to address God as 'Father'. This is an extraordinary privilege, which would have been incomprehensible to the Jews of Jesus' day. It's a privilege that carries with it a challenging responsibility. If we 'dare' to call God 'Father', we must be prepared to act as His sons and daughters should. The 'Our Father' is meant to be lived.

Prayer is the pillow of religion. When we are on our knees we can't stumble. 'I tell God what I want quite simply and He always seems to understand' (St. Therese of Lisieux).