

# Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 6th November 2022

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 5th NOVEMBER - 7pm

1. Patricia Keenaghan (*Months Mind*).

SUNDAY 6th NOVEMBER - 11am

1. Chris McCreedy (*1st A*).
2. Gerry Birrane, his son Martin and grandson Gerard McEvoy.

Mon. 7th: 10am

Tues. 8th: 10am

Wed. 9th: 10am - Margaret Dunne (*1st A*).

Thurs. 10th: 10am

Fri. 11th: 10am - People's Mass.

Sat. 12th: 10am

SATURDAY 12th NOVEMBER - 7pm

1. Petes Mahon (*1st A*).
2. Tom Kenny & his daughter-in-law Andrea.

SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER - 11am

1. Peggy & Josie Keenan, their daughter Tessie, Frank Dolan and Francie Keenan.

## SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 6th NOVEMBER - 12 noon

1. Bernard & Margaret Guinan, their son Kieran & Bernards brother Jack and deceased members of the Guinan and McLoughlin families, Moystown Demesne.
2. Leo & Lil McManus and their daughter Patricia.
3. Joseph Feighery and his son Diarmuid.
4. Agnes & Joseph Butler and Kieran & Tommy Butler.

SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER - 12 noon

1. Michael & Bridget Flynn, John Joe Geoghegan and Sr. Kieran Flynn and deceased members of the Maleney & Brazil families.

## ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 6th NOVEMBER - 9.30am

1. Edward & Margaret Egan, their son John and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER - 9.30am

1. Joe & Lucy Molloy, Leamore.

## MASSES FOR NOVEMBER

FERBANE - daily 10am; BOORA - Wednesdays 7pm;  
HIGH STREET - Thursdays 8pm

## REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

In High Street Church on Sun. 13th November at 4pm.

**MASSES** - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. All our weekday and weekend Masses can 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** - Our new account details with Bank of Ireland are as follows:

Account No: 75907205. BIC: BOFIE2D

IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05.

We greatly appreciate your continued contributions. Weekly collection including Shrine €2,850. Thank you.

**DEATHS** - We pray for the repose of the soul of Molly Devery, Rashina, Ballinahown (sister of Loretta Fleming, Athlone Road) and Rita O'Leary, Clonascra (mother of Yvonne McDonald, High Street). May they rest in peace.

**BAPTISM** - We welcome in to the Christian Community Saoirse Egan.

**NAOMH CIARÁN Ladies Football Church Gate Collection** - Will take place this weekend 5th / 6th November. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**LADYBIRDS, BROWNIE'S & GUIDES** - Registration night on Monday 7th Nov. from 7-8pm in the Heritage Centre, Parents only. Also leaders are urgently needed. Please come on the night for more information.

## HIGH STREET / BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP

Monday 7th Nov.: No meeting. *Reminder:* Christmas Market on Sunday 20th November from 11am - 2pm in High Street Hall showcasing local products. Shop early - support local. All welcome.

**GALLEN UNITED** - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €4,900 = Jackpot €2,500; Star Prize €2,400). Winning numbers in last week's draw 17, 20, 23, 24. Bonus 9. No jackpot winner. 1 match 3 winner. Next draw on Tues. 8th Nov.

**FERBANE GAA** - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 4, 12, 23, 30. Bonus 13. No jackpot winner. Three match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot is €4,600 and the draw is on Tuesday 8th November.

**COFFEE MORNING** - Continues on Wednesday 9th November in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am (after Mass). Bus service as usual.

**FERBANE BRIDGE CLUB** - Bridge continues on Wednesday 9th November in the Bridge Hall at 7.45pm. Bridge lessons will take place in the Bridge Hall in Ferbane if there is sufficient interest. At the moment Monday evening is likely. No previous experience of card playing is necessary. Contact Paddy 087 2261136.

**ANAM CARA MIDLANDS** - First monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 9th November at 7.15pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. We also offer an online service. Call 01 4045378.

**FERBANE COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP** - Invite you to the launch of a Tourism Plan for the Ferbane area in the Heritage Centre on Thurs. 10th Nov. at 4pm.

**CHARISMATIC RENEWAL** - A Day of Praise and Worship "Lift Jesus Higher" with Brother David Jardine and Rev. Fr. Pat Collins will be held in the Technical University of the Shannon (Athlone College) on Sat. 12th Nov. at 10.30am. All welcome. Bring a packed lunch.

**FAMILY MASS in High Street** - Begins Sunday 20th November at the 12 noon Mass and will continue every 4-6 weeks over the next six months. Children (3-7 years), will spend some time in the Sacristy learning aspects of their faith through 'Pray & Play' activities, led by teenagers and adult leaders. Other family members read and take part in the Offertory procession. Assistance in the organising, or in acting as readers, teenage/adult leaders etc. will be greatly appreciated.

**FERBANE TIDY TOWNS** - Was delighted to receive the National Tidy Towns Climate Action Award for our Offaly's First Sustainable Drainage Raingarden at Chat and Chill, beside the old Fire Station. The Garden shows how excess rainwater can be diverted through beds to water plants and filter water before it enters our waterways. The award is also for our Forest of Ferbane Project which plans to increase tree cover in Ferbane thereby mitigating Climate Change through increased carbon capture. These

projects form part of our Green Infrastructure Strategy for Ferbane.

**B.H.M.** - Congratulations to B.H.M. Community Development Group Belmont on the excellent results in this year's 2022 Super Valu National Tidy Towns competition. The judges were very impressed with the area with additional points for streetscape and public places and approach roads, streets and lanes. Copies of the report are available from committee members. Well done to all.

**YOUR LOCAL CREDIT UNION NEEDS YOU** - St. Brigid's Credit Union are looking for volunteers to allow their names to be included on a panel to become members of the Board of Directors. The Board is composed of 11 such members and it is important that each area and all experiences are represented thereon. If you are interested please contact our local office at (090) 6454089.

**ALONE** - Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? For more information contact Fiona on [fiona.boyle@alone.ie](mailto:fiona.boyle@alone.ie) or on 086 1366539.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** - What is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament? And *why* is it being renewed in this Parish soon? Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is spreading to many parishes in the Diocese of Ardagh & Clonmacnois. Why? **God calling!** Have *you* got one hour in the week to spare? Adoration Renewal in the Parish on Sunday 15th November. **What qualification does a person need in order to be on the parish team for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament?** One hour at your disposal in a whole week...and a willing heart!

**PARISH OFFICE** - Open every Wednesday from 9am-1pm and 2-5pm. **Bulletin notices to be in by 3pm on Wed.** Tel: 090 6454309 OR

Email: [parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie](mailto:parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie).

## 32nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'He is not God of the dead but of the living'

'How strange the fear of death is; we are never frightened at a sunset'. So wrote Scottish Christian poet, George McDonald. The Sunday Gospels during the month of November, the month of the Holy Souls invite us to reflect in a deeper way on life and its destination. Our Celtic ancestors had a strong belief that our relationship with a dead relative or friend does not end with his/her disappearance, but continues on a different plain. The Christian vision of life and death sits easily here. We too believe in the continuity between the here and the hereafter. We are citizens of both earth and heaven, and death is but our second birthday. Our earthly pilgrimage is not so much a funeral march to the grave, but, rather, a victory parade to the place prepared for us, the place we call home. This is the reassuring message offered by Jesus in today's Gospel, in answer to the question posed by the doubting Sadducees. It is a message that should banish our fear.