

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 5th March 2023

Second Sunday of Lent

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 4th MARCH - 7pm

1. Bridie Devery, Endrim and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 5th MARCH - 11am

1. Annmarie McDermott and her husband Patrick and deceased family members.
2. Kieran Maleney.
3. Bernadette Nannery.

Mon. 6th: 10am

Tues. 7th: 10am

Wed. 8th: 10am - People's Mass.

Thurs. 9th: 10am

Fri. 10th: 10am

Sat. 11th: 10am - Monica Finnegan (M/M).

SATURDAY 11th MARCH - 7pm

SUNDAY 12th MARCH - 11am

1. Kieran & Bridget Kelly and deceased family members.

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 5th MARCH - 12 noon

1. Pauline Claffey (*Months Mind*).

SUNDAY 12th MARCH - 12 noon

1. Joe & Oran Caulfield, Winifred, Patrick & James Boylan.
2. Patrick Kenny, Clonboniff.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 5th MARCH - 9.30am

SUNDAY 12th MARCH - 9.30am

1. Denis Rosney & dec'd family members.
2. Francis Kenna.

LENT 2023

ADDITIONAL MASSES/DEVOTIONS

Boora: Mass 7pm Wednesdays.

High Street: Mass 8pm Thursdays.

Ferbane: Stations of the Cross 7pm Fridays.

TRÓCAIRE 50th ANNIVERSARY - Boxes for Lenten campaign available in all Churches.

CONFIRMATION - For the boys and girls from St. Cynoc's N.S. takes place in Ferbane Church on Saturday 11th March at 12 noon.

WELL DONE - To the 'John Paul II' students in Ferbane Community School who raised €500 in a 'School Bake' for victims of the earthquake in Turkey/Syria.

COLLECTIONS - We greatly appreciate your continued contributions. February 26th - €2,315.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - Takes place daily in the Oratory in Ferbane Church. New attendees welcome. For more info. please contact Seamus at 086 8718942 or Iris 090 6454382.

MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

PARISH OFFICE - Open every Wednesday from 9am-1pm and 2-5pm. Tel: 090 6454309 or email parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie.

PRAY & PLAY - For 3-7 year olds during Mass in High Street on Sunday 5th March at 12 noon.

DÓCHAS OFFALY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP Fundraiser: Glamorous Buttons and Bows - This Sunday 5th March, 12pm - 5pm, Mucklagh Community Centre (R35 DN02). €5 entry. All proceeds to Dóchas.

CHOIR PRACTICE - On Monday 6th March in Ferbane Church at 8pm. This is an important practice as it will cover both Confirmation and St. Patrick's Day. Hope you will be able to attend.

HIGH STREET/BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP - Monday 6th March: Solve all your foot care problems with Foot Specialist Siobhan Bradley in High Street Hall at 8pm. All welcome.

ADULT ART CLASSES - Lusmagh, for beginners and advanced. Tuesday 7th March 10am-1pm and 8pm-10pm; Wed. 14th March 10am-1pm. €100 for 5 weeks. All materials supplied. Contact 087 3217089 or email lisaglynn50@gmail.com. Eircode R42 YK61.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Meeting on Tuesday 7th March in the Parochial House at 8pm.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €6,500 = Jackpot €3,300; Star Prize €3,200). Winning numbers were 4, 13, 16, 19. Bonus 12. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next draw on Tuesday 7th March. *Please note:* Renewal of the €40 half yearly tickets due now.

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 8, 21, 24, 25. Bonus 10. No jackpot winner. One match 3 winner. Next week's jackpot is €3,400. Draw is on Tuesday 7th March.

COFFEE MORNING - Continues on Wed. 8th March in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am (after Mass). Bus service as usual.

FERBANE APOSTOLIC WORK - Meeting on Thursday 9th March in the Mercy Room in Ferbane Church after 10am Mass. All welcome. Ferbane Apostolic Work has re-commenced after a long break due to Covid 19. We welcome back our honorary members whose financial support and prayers are invaluable to our missionary work - churches, schools, hospitals, orphanages and training the unemployed. Should you wish to become an honorary member contact Padrigín, Edel or Sr. Helena.

ATHLONE LITTLE THEATRE - Presents '*Philadelphia, Here I Come!*' by Brian Friel from Thursday 9th to Thursday 16th March. Matinee on Sunday 12th March at 3pm. All other performances at 8pm. Booking via www.athlonelittletheatre.ie or Eventbrite. Tickets €15.

GROW YOUR OWN VEGETABLES COURSE - Starting Saturday 11th March (one Saturday a month over the growing season). For more information see www.cooleecocommunity.ie or contact PJ on 087 4162268.

DAFFODIL DAY - Fri. 24th March. Volunteers please contact Mary 087 2919314.

BELMONT GAA BINGO - Congratulations to this weeks winner: Cian Kearns, c/o Anne Kearns, €100. Bingo continues every Fri., pre-printed books available in Cahills until 9pm every Thursday.

FERBANE BELMONT CE - We currently have vacancies on our scheme for **Office Administrator, General Operatives and Groundsmen/Caretaker**. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All successful participants can also avail of training and upskilling. For more information call 090 6454068.

FERBANE LIBRARY - Would you like to join a book club? Call Ferbane library on 090 6454259 to register your details. **Opening Hours:** Tuesday 10am - 5pm (lunch 1-2pm). Thursday 10am - 8pm (lunch 1-2pm & 5-6pm). Saturday 10am - 1pm.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

The Transfiguration

Peter, James and John thought that they knew who Jesus was, but their eyes were opened on the mountain top. In that quiet place, far from the crowd they saw Him in His glory and got a glimpse of the Promised Land that awaits us at the end of our earthly journey. Many go through life without ever 'seeing'. That is why Lent is a season of grace, an opportunity, a time for stillness, for contemplation, for wonder, a time to look beneath the surface of our lives, to see ourselves as we really are, and to meet our God as He really is. Pope Francis has suggested that we would do well during these days to **disconnect from the world of TV and smartphones and connect with the Word of God**. In truth, the world is 'crowded' with the glory of God. What is missing is our awareness. Lord, that we may see!