

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 13th August 2023

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 12th AUGUST - 7pm

1. Molly and John Maher, Delvin Park.
2. Deceased members of the Fitzgerald family, Belmont.

SUNDAY 13th AUGUST - 11am

1. Madge Brazil (*1st A*) and her husband Jimmy.
2. Kieran and Elizabeth Redmond and their daughter Peg Casey.

Mon. 14th: 10am - Matt & Annie Killian and their son John, Endrim.

Mon. 14th: 7pm - Vigil for Feast of Assumption.

TUESDAY 15th AUGUST - 11am

Feast of the Assumption.

Wed. 16th: 10am - People's Mass

Thurs. 17th: 10am

Fri. 18th: 10am

*Sat. 19th: 10am - 1. Eamon Dempsey (M/M).
2. May Healy.*

SATURDAY 19th AUGUST - 7pm

SUNDAY 20th AUGUST - 11am

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH ST.

SUNDAY 13th AUGUST - 12 noon

1. Catherine and Thomas Shea.

TUESDAY 15th AUGUST - 7pm

Feast of the Assumption - Mass in Tisaran Cemetery.

SUNDAY 20th AUGUST - 12 noon

1. Bernard Guinan, his wife Margaret, their son Kieran, Bernard's brother Jack

and deceased members of the Guinan and McLoughlin families, Moystown Demesne.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 13th AUGUST - 9.30am

TUESDAY 15th AUGUST - 9.30am

Feast of the Assumption.

SUNDAY 20th AUGUST - 9.30am

1. Jane Leavy.
2. Michael Rosney and his grandparents Martin & Catherine and deceased family members.

TISARAN ANNUAL MASS

Tuesday 15th August at 7pm.

Feast of the Assumption

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Tuesday 15th August

On November 1st 1950 in his Apostolic Constitution 'Munificentissimus Deus' Pope Pius XII proclaimed the dogma of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 'We proclaim and define it to be a dogma revealed by God that the immaculate Mother of God, Mary ever Virgin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven'.

COLLECTIONS

August 6th: Offertory/Shrine €2,230. Thank you.

OFFALY HOSPICE FOUNDATION - Wish to thank the parishioners in Ferbane and Belmont for their generosity towards our Annual Church Gate Collection. There was a total of €1,029.75 raised between all 3 Masses. The collection would not be possible without the wonderful volunteers who help us each year.

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.

BAPTISM - We welcome into our Christian Community, Phoebe Mollen-Buckley.

MARRIAGE - Congratulations to Niamh Corcoran and Raymond Flannery who were married recently.

DEATH - Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bridget Geoghegan, Moate (mother of Ann Guinan, Brehogue). May she rest in peace.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €5,300 - Jackpot €1,000; Star Prize €4,300). Winning numbers were 2, 7, 18, 21. Bonus 25. Congratulations to Andrea Arnold, jackpot winner of €4,400. One match 3 winner. Next draw on Monday 14th August.

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

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto*: Winning numbers in last week's draw 2, 6, 25, 32. Bonus 15. No jackpot winner. One match 3 winner. Next week's jackpot is €8,000. Draw is on Tuesday 15th August.

BELMONT GAA BINGO - Congratulations to last weeks winner, Aisling Mooney winning a whopping €1,000. Books continue to be available in Cahill's shop and online. Thank you for your continued support.

HERITAGE WEEK HISTORY TALK - *Saturday 12th August*: History Talk at 8pm in Ferbane Heritage Centre. "Ranch War to Civil War: Offaly's Revolutionary Decade" by Aidan Doyle. Admission is FREE.

LOUGH DERG ONE-DAY RETREAT 2023 SEASON - August: 19th, 22nd, 27th. September: 2nd, 6th, 9th, 12th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th. *Adm.:* €45. *Booking:* 071 9861518.

ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT REDEVELOPMENT - Open Day Event, 19th August. An architectural design team are currently reviewing the site and buildings with a view to preparing a redevelopment plan that will incorporate the suggestions received during the recent Open Day and consultation process. Anyone who could not attend the previous viewing will have another opportunity to visit the building on **Saturday 19th August from 11am to 1pm.** In addition to viewing the premises, feedback questionnaires can be completed with any suggestions you may have for the future of the grounds and building. Any group or organisation that may wish to avail of these facilities in the future are also welcome to attend and make submissions.

FERBANE BELMONT CE - We currently have vacancies on our scheme for 2 Groundsperson/Caretaker, 1 General Operative. 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.

NATIONAL NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF KNOCK

14th-22nd August (Sessions 3pm & 8pm)

Mon. 14th: Fr. John Joe Duffy, C.C., Creeslough; 3pm & 8pm.

Tues. 15th: Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, Papal Nuncio, 3pm.

Paula McKeown, Deputy Chair of the Synodal Pathway, 8pm.

Wed. 16th: Sean O'Rourke, 3pm & 8pm.

Thurs. 17th: Nóirín Lynch, Pastoral Worker, 3pm & 8pm.

Fri. 18th: Geraldine Mullan, 3pm & 8pm.

Sat. 19th: Bishop Alan McGuckian, Bishop of Raphoe, 3pm.

Julianne Moran, General Secretary of the Synodal Pathway, 8pm.

Sun. 20th: Bishop Kevin Doran, Bishop of Elphin, 3pm. Elma Walsh, 8pm.

WORKSHOPS EVERY DAY.

Our Lady of Knock, pray for us.

19th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'Tell me to come to you across the water'

'When you walk through the storm, hold your head up high'. These words from the famous Liverpool F.C. anthem 'You'll Never Walk Alone' come to mind as we reflect on the dramatic episode described in today's Gospel extract. Peter leaps from the boat to go to meet Jesus. When he keeps his eyes on Jesus, he literally walks on water and is safe. When he looks down, he falters and sinks. If we lose sight of Jesus, we will falter. If we keep our eyes fixed on Him, we will be able to negotiate even the harshest storms. The episode is also a reminder to us that the Lord is constantly inviting us to step out in faith, to change, to grow, to explore new paths, to reach for new horizons, to reach our full potential. More importantly, He is telling us that He will always be there to hold us up when we fall and fail. We will not walk alone. 'When you step out in faith, you walk into your purpose'. If you never venture out of the pond that you are in you will never know that there is a sea, an ocean'.