

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 10th September 2023

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 9th SEPTEMBER - 7pm

1. John Joe Keenaghan.

SUNDAY 10th SEPTEMBER - 11am

1. Sonny Keenaghan.

Mon. 11th: 10am

Tues. 12th: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 13th: 10am

Thurs. 14th: 10am

Fri. 15th: 10am

Sat. 16th: 10am - Tom and Maureen Murphy.

SATURDAY 16th SEPTEMBER - 7pm

1. Mary Rourke and Bridie & Patsy Rourke.
2. Kate Daly (4th A), her husband Oliver and daughters Marcella and Kathleen.

SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER - 11am

1. Johnny Keenaghan and his parents James & Bridget.

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH ST.

SUNDAY 10th SEPTEMBER - 12 noon

1. Nancy & Tommy Daly and deceased family members.
2. Mary & John Larkin and baby Esther and deceased family members.
3. Patrick, Alice and John Guinan.

SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER - 12 noon

1. Jimmy Cox (6th A).
2. Tommy Anderson (11th A).
3. Paddy & Eileen Melia, sons Gerard & Michael Melia their daughter Helen. Peter, Ellen & Paddy Kelly. Nan & Ber Coughlan and their baby son.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 10th SEPTEMBER - 9.30am

SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER - 9.30am

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Wed. 13th Sept: St. John Chrysostom.

Thurs. 14th Sept: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Fri. 15th Sept: Our Lady of Sorrows.

Sat. 16th Sept: Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian.

CLONMACNOIS PATTERN DAY - Sunday 17th September. Pattern Prayers at 2.45pm with Mass immediately at 3pm. Celebrant and Homilist Bishop Paul Connell.

A MISSIONARY GROUP FROM BETHLEHEM, The Holy Land are visiting Ferbane Parish this weekend 9th and 10th of September to sell religious articles made out of olive wood in Bethlehem to help and support the poor Christian families. All help appreciated.

COLLECTIONS - September 3rd:

Offertory/Shrine €2,520. Thank you.

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 Ava Grace Kelly.

DEATH - Lily Burke, infant daughter of Stephen and Mairéad (Clononey/Clonfert) who returned to the arms of God last week.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €5,800 - Jackpot €1,200; Star Prize €4,600). Winning numbers were 7, 10, 12, 19. Bonus 26. No jackpot winner. One match 3 winner. Next draw on Monday 11th September. *Reminder:* €40 half yearly lotto is now due for renewal.

LOUGH DERG ONE-DAY RETREAT 2023 SEASON - September: 12th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th. *Adm.:* €45. *Booking:* 071 9861518.

9th OFFALY SCOUTS FERBANE - Registration on Tuesday 12th Sept. at 7pm in Junior National School hall. Age group 8-11yrs approx (3rd to 6th class). One parent/guardian must attend for 15 minute programme briefing and registration process.

HIGH ST. CEMETERY - Weekly clean-up continues every Tues. at 7pm. Volunteers welcome.

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 14, 23, 24, 30. Bonus 15. No jackpot winner. Three match 3 winners who shared €200, one also had the bonus number and wins an additional €50. Next week's jackpot is €8,800. Draw is on Tuesday 12th September.

BELMONT GAA - Congratulations to all our last week's winners: 1. Jimmy Egan €200, 2. Dymrna Fitzgerald €200, 3. Adrian Malone €75, 4. Patsy Feeney €50, 5. Geraldine Flannery €20, 6. Stephaine Cooney €20, 7. Colin Malone €20. Eva Kelly winner of the local players draw of €200.

FERBANE LIBRARY - End of Summer Stars Reading Challenge - *Reminder:* Don't forget to return your cards to get your stamp for every book read and collect rewards. **Little Library bags** - Free bags of stories and fun for every child starting school in 2023. A weekly **Crochet & Knitting Group** will begin at 11am on Tuesday, 26th September in the library. If you would like to join a group to craft and chat, please contact the library for more information. **Library Opening Hours:** Tues. 10am-5pm (lunch 1-2pm) Thurs. 10am-8pm (lunch 1-2pm & 5-6pm). Sat. 10am-1pm. Tel: 090 6454259.

ANAM CARA MIDLANDS - Monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wed. 13th Sept. at 7.15pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is FREE and open to all bereaved parents. We also offer an online service. Call 01 4045378.

FERBANE FOOT CLINIC - Are holding a **Coffee Morning for the Irish Cancer Society** on Friday 15th Sept. in the Foot Health Care Clinic, Ballycumber Road from 10am-2pm. All welcome.

NAOMH CIARÁN LADIES FOOTBALL CLUB - *Clothes Collection* (clothes, paired shoes, curtains, bags, bedlinen accepted (no duvets/pillows) on Fri. 15th Sept. at Ferbane GAA pitch

from 12-1pm. Also bags can be left in to O'Malley's red shed in Belmont. Eircode R42 KW10.

RASHINA VINTAGE CLUB - *Threshing & Working Field Day* in Moony's field, Doon on Sunday 17th Sept. from 12 noon. All welcome.

GENTLEMEN - Join us for our next MenPower programme, starting Wed. 20th Sept. Participation is FREE and social welfare benefits not affected. Refreshments and a light lunch provided. Contact Aoife 087-7385989 or email akelly@offalydc.ie.

COFFEE MORNING - Resumes on Wednesday 20th Sept. in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am (after Mass). Bus as usual. All welcome.

EUCHARISTIC HEALING DAY - On Sat., Sept. 23rd in St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford from 3pm to 8.30pm. Day will include: A Eucharistic Healing Cenacle led by Mother Adela Galindo, Veneration of St. John Paul II's Relic, and Mass with Bishop Paul Connell. All are welcome.

FERBANE BELMONT CE - We currently have vacancies on our scheme for 2 Groundsperson/Caretaker, 1 General Operative and 1 Caretaker Cleaner. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All participants can also avail of training and upskilling. For more information call 090 6454068.

23rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'If he listens to you, you have won back your brother'
At the dawn of creation, Cain protested that he was not his brother, Abel's keeper. His words have been quoted throughout history to justify turning a blind eye, not getting involved even when a brother or sister is taking the wrong path. Jesus says that we are our brother's, or sister's keeper. Love corrects. If love doesn't correct, then it is not love, but the correction must never be done harshly. It should never cause resentment. Naming and shaming never brings healing. When someone does something wrong, we would do well to remember the many things they did right. When Cardinal Angelo Roncalli, the future Pope St. John XXIII, was Patriarch of Venice, he once went to visit a wayward priest whose life was causing scandal. Having entered the priest's house the Cardinal greeted him warmly and then knelt down and asked the priest if he would hear his confession. From that moment the priest began to turn his life around. Correction done with love bears fruit.

Motto of Pope John Paul I: *'Always seek to say easy things and to say difficult things in an easy way.'*