

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 1st October 2023

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 30th SEPTEMBER - 7pm

1. Mick and Mae Gorman.
St. Cynocs NS Confirmation Enrolment.

SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER - 11am

1. Patricia Keenaghan (*1st A*).

Mon. 2nd: 10am

Tues. 3rd: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 4th: 10am

Thurs. 5th: 10am

Fri. 6th: 10am - First Friday.

Sat. 7th: 10am

SATURDAY 7th OCTOBER - 7pm

SUNDAY 8th OCTOBER - 11am

1. Frank Grogan.

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH ST.

SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER - 12 noon

1. Sean Murphy (*1st A*).
2. Mary (Bab) Murray (*2nd A*) and her sister Annie Murray.
3. Kieran Feeney & dec'd family members.

Fri. 6th: 8pm - First Friday.

Curley family, Lisdaly.

SUNDAY 8th OCTOBER - 12 noon

1. Mary Connolly, Clononey and deceased family members.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER - 9.30am

Fri. 6th: 7pm - First Friday.

SUNDAY 8th OCTOBER - 9.30am

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Mon. 2nd: The Guardian Angels.

Wed. 4th: St. Francis of Assisi.

Thurs. 5th: St. Faustina Kowalska.

Sat. 7th: Our Lady of the Rosary.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY - The Synod takes place in Rome (4th-28th October). *Theme:* 'For a Synodal Church-Communion, Participation, Mission'. We pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit on the work of the Synod.

OCTOBER - MISSION MONTH - *Theme:* 'Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move'. The month is a time for reflection, prayer and support for the missionary effort of individuals, communities and the whole Church. *'As Christians we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves.'* (Pope Francis).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ENROLMENT - *St. Cynoc's N.S.:* Sat. 7th October, 7pm Mass.

High Street N.S.: Sun. 8th October, 12 noon Mass.

COLLECTIONS - September 24th:

Offertory/Shrine €1,685. Thank you.

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

PRAY & PLAY - Resumes on October 8th at 12 noon Family Mass in High Street. Please contact us if you would be interested in joining the team (comprising of adults and young people) who work with the 3-7 year olds as they Pray & Play in the Sacristy during Mass.

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

DIARY - For 2024 Mass bookings is now available.

BAPTISM - We welcome into our Christian Community Saran Fox.

BEST OF LUCK - To the Naomh Ciarán senior team in the County Final this Sunday.

LYNX CC - Are hosting a Bikes & Brews in the Heritage Centre, Ferbane on Sunday 1st October from 9am to 1pm in aid of the Cluny Centre, Gallen CS & Rise and St Cynoc's NS. Further details on our Facebook page.

MOATE BUSINESS COLLEGE Adult Education Night Classes - Check out our full range of courses on our website www.moatebusinesscollege.com or our Facebook page/Instagram Page. **Registration evening is this Monday 2nd October from 7-8.30pm** and classes will start the following week.

GALLEN UNITED - Lotto Draw (Prize fund €6,100 - Jackpot €1,400; Star Prize €4,700). Winning numbers were 6, 7, 9, 22. Bonus 1. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next draw on Mon. 2nd Oct.

ZUMBA KIDS - With Nikki boys and girls starts Tuesday 3rd October at 4.45pm in High Street Hall. **Strong nation HIIT adult's workout** starts Tuesday 3rd October at 7.45pm in High Street Hall. Thursday 5th October at 7.45pm in Ferbane GAA Centre. Contact Nikki 085-1413795.

SVP - Meeting on Tuesday 3rd October at 7.30pm. Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

BHM COMMUNITY DEV. GROUP - Monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd October at 9pm in High Street Hall. All are welcome. **Congratulations** to the group on their success in receiving a special accolade in pride of place initiative held last Wednesday in newly opened Esker Rí Arts Centre, Tullamore. Well done to all and keep up the good work.

FERBANE GAA - Lotto: Winning numbers in last week's draw 1, 8, 21, 27. Bonus 20. No jackpot winner. Three match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot is €9,400. Draw is on Tuesday 3rd October.

BELMONT GAA - Congratulations to last week's winners. Breda Nugent €200, Paulette O'Reilly €75, Bernie Kenny, Clonboniff €75, Carmel Molloy €75, Gertie Dunican €50, Jimmy Cahill €50, Rose Killian €50, Lorraine Kelly €37.50. Books available every week in Cahill's shop until 9pm Tuesday evening.

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COFFEE MORNING - Continues on Wed. 4th October in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am (after Mass). Bus as usual. All welcome.

FERBANE BRIDGE CLUB - Resumes on Wednesday 4th October at 7.30pm. Looking forward to welcoming back all new and former members.

FERBANE WOMEN'S GROUP - Meeting on Thursday mornings at 11am in Ferbane Bridge Club. Contact Stephanie in OLDC on 086 833 6873.

FERBANE LIBRARY - Toddler Storytime every Thursday at 12.15pm in Ferbane Library. No booking

necessary. **Coffee Morning for Positive Aging Week** in the library on Thurs. 5th Oct. at 11am. All welcome. **Vex Robotics Play Session** on Thurs. 5th Oct. at 3.30pm for ages 8-12 years. Booking essential as places are limited. **Lego Free Play** on Sat. 7th Oct. from 11am. No booking necessary. Children must be aged 4 years + and supervised by an adult. **Chair Yoga for Positive Aging Week** on Thurs. 12th Oct. at 11.45am. Booking is necessary. **Adult Book Club** takes place on the first Thursday of each month at 6.15pm. New members welcome. **Little Library bags** - free bags of stories for every child starting school in 2023. Call in to collect yours. **Library Opening Hours:** Tuesday 10am-5pm (lunch 1-2pm); Thursday 10am-8pm (lunch 1-2pm & 5-6pm); Saturday 10am-1pm. Phone 090 6454259 or Email ferbanelibrary@offalycoco.ie.

FERBANE TIDY TOWNS - Join us on Sat. 7th Oct. from 2-4pm for some refreshments and music in the An Siolán Community Garden, St Joseph's Convent, Ferbane to see the recently completed works thanks to the Axa Parks Grant. Help us put the finishing touches to Ferbane's newest green space on the day, with some planting. Equipment provided. Weather permitting.

NAOMH CIARÁN - Presents an **Evening of Fashion** on Thursday 12th October in Gallen Community School. Doors open 7pm. Prosecco reception and Best Dressed Lady on the night. For further details and how to purchase tickets, please refer to our Facebook and Instagram pages.

26th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'The first son thought better of it and went'.

In a sense, both brothers were wrong. The actions of the first son is more commendable. At first, he refused his father's request to go to work in the vineyard. Then he found his better self and went. His change of mind reminds us that first reactions aren't always the best. Second thoughts are worthwhile. It's never too late to do the right thing. To change one's mind is not a sign of weakness but a sign of strength. The second son agreed to go to the vineyard, but he didn't go. He broke his promise. The world survives on the basis of people keeping their word. The destruction of our planet, the growth of division between peoples, the loss of confidence in institutions, the deepening uncertainty with regard to the future can all be traced back to broken promises. **For every promise there is a price to pay.** The ideal for the Christian is to make promise and practice rhyme. When deeds and words are in accord, the world is transformed. Both brothers fell short!