

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 24th March 2024

Palm Sunday

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 23rd MARCH - 7pm

1. Margaret Maher (*Months Mind*).
2. Michael Delaney (*1st A*).
3. Peg & William Doyle and Michael Egan.
4. Jack Nagle and John Symes.

SUN. 24th MARCH (Palm Sunday) - 11am

1. Michael & Mary Bridget Conway.

Mon. 25th: 10am - People's Mass.

Tues. 26th: 10am - Johnny, Bridie & Stephen Coughlan and their grandson Tiernan Grenman.

Wed. 20th: 10am - Sr. Ann Claffey, Endrim.

PLEASE NOTE: *No 10am Mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Holy Saturday.*

SATURDAY 30th MARCH - 8pm

Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY 31st MARCH - 11am

PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUN. 24th MARCH (Palm Sun.) - 12 noon

1. Rose and Michael Egan, Ballylamon.
2. Seamus Feeney, his daughter Patricia and deceased family members.

EASTER SUNDAY 24th MARCH

6am - Dawn Mass.

12 noon

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUN. 24th MARCH (Palm Sun.) - 9.30am

EASTER SUN. 24th MARCH - 9.30am

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper

BOORA 7pm; FERBANE 7pm;

HIGH STREET 7pm *Pray & Play*

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in Ferbane Church until Night Prayer at 10pm.

GOOD FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross

High Street Cemetery 12 noon

Boora 7pm

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Ferbane 3pm; High Street 8pm

Prayer around the Cross: Ferbane 10pm

HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil: Ferbane 8pm.

EASTER SUNDAY

Dawn Mass: High Street 6am.

CONFESSIONS

Ferbane after 10am Mass (Mon/Tues/Wed)

Holy Saturday: Ferbane 11am-3pm

High Street 12 noon-1pm

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

COLLECTIONS - March 17th:

Offertory/Shrine €2,850. Thank you.

DEATHS - We pray for the souls of **Paddy Kelly, High Street** and **Ann Camon (nee Fox), Portlaoise** (formerly Belmont). May they rest in peace.

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

SVP - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

HIGH STREET/BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP - *Mon. 25th March:* A night with Candlemaker Jackie Sweeney. A night with a difference! A variety of candles for sale on the night. High Street Hall at 7.30pm. *Please note change of time.* All welcome.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €8,400; Jackpot €2,500; Star Prize €5,900). Winning numbers were 7, 14, 18, 27. Bonus 23. No jackpot winner. Two match three winners. Next draw on Monday 25th March. *Gallen United half yearly €40 lotto tickets are now due for renewal.*

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 2, 6, 12, 27. Bonus 20. No jackpot winner. Eleven match three winners. Next week's jackpot is €14,400. Draw on Tuesday 26th March.

COFFEE MORNING - Continues on Wednesday 27th March in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am. Bus service as usual. All are welcome.

BELMONT GAA - Books available in Cahill's until 9pm every Tuesday and online until 2pm Wednesday. Thank you for your continued support.

FERBANE BRIDGE CLUB - Continues on Wednesday 27th March at 7.30pm. All welcome.

PROGRESSIVE 25 - Cards every Friday night in Ferbane Heritage Centre at 9pm. All welcome, especially more ladies!

SOCIAL DANCE - In Cloghan Hall on Friday 29th March at 9.30pm. Music by John Molloy. Adm. €10. All welcome.

FERBANE WOMEN'S GROUP - Are hosting a Cake Sale on Thursday 11th April from 10.30am to 1pm in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road, Ferbane. Funds raised will go towards Offaly Hospice. Raffle on the day and light refreshments served. Please support.

FERBANE TIDY TOWNS - Join us for our National Spring Clean Day in conjunction with An Taisce on Saturday 13th April from 11am to 1pm meeting at the Chat & Chill area (old Fire Station). Litter picking, weeding etc. Everyone welcome, equipment provided, weather permitting.

FERBANE BELMONT CE - We currently have vacancies on our scheme for three Groundspersons/Caretakers, three General Operatives and one Caretaker Cleaner. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All successful participants can also avail of training and upskilling. Call 090 6454068.

PALM SUNDAY

'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord'

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. The word holy means 'set-apart'. Holy Week, 'an tSeachtain Mhór', is indeed set apart from all other weeks on the Church's calendar. It brings us to the centre of who we are. It takes us to the heart of our faith. On Holy Thursday we will give thanks for the incomparable gifts of the Eucharist and priesthood. On Good Friday we will raise the Cross high and salute the 'triumph of failure' which was the 'triumph of love'. On Holy Saturday night we will light the Paschal Candle and proclaim joyfully that the Lord is risen, that we are going somewhere and the grave will never be our final address. As we journey through the week may our faith be renewed and our hope strengthened.

By His cross and resurrection
He has set us free.